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## **Titolo Tesi**

Biculturalismo e coppie miste in Italia: intersezioni di razza, genere e classe nell'esperienza della genitorialità

## **Abstract in inglese**

The thesis deals with parenting as a racialized experience in mixed couples living in Florence in the same neighborhood and with school-age or pre-school children (maternal and primary school). The research was conducted on twelve mixed couples, from different backgrounds, through semi-structured interviews and participant observation, in order to investigate how the partners that form a mixed couple intend, negotiate with each other and practice parenting, as well as the impact that dominant parenting culture has on the way couples cope with their parental role and take care of their children. By exploring family practices of mixed families where one of the two parents is Italian, as well as the processes of negotiation with respect to various aspects of their culture and the choices regarding socialization and education of children, the main objective is to better understand how parents negotiate the differences between them, while at the same time sharing some aspects of their cultural background with their children.