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### EDUCATION

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30/04/2020 18/12/2015	<b>Doctor in Political and Social Sciences</b> , University of Louvain (UCL), Belgium  <b>Dissertation:</b> <i>Observing transnational education. Steps towards a morphology of world society.</i>
03/07/2004 01/10/2003	<b>Postgraduate master in Cultures and Development Studies</b> , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium
02/07/2003 01/10/2001	<b>Master (“Licenciaat”) in Sociology</b> , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium Erasmus exchange, Universidad Complutense de Madrid (Spain), September 2002-February 2003.
29/06/2001 01/10/1999	<b>Bachelor (“Kandidaat”) in Political and Social Sciences</b> , University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium

### EMPLOYMENT

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30/09/2024 01/10/2021	<b>Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global Fellow</b> Columbia University, USA Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Italy
30/09/2021 01/10/2020	<b>Lecturer</b> (“maître de conférence invité”), Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences, University of Louvain, Belgium
30/09/2021 01/10/2019	<b>Research fellow</b> , funded by the Action Concertée de Recherche (ARC) of Belgian’s French speaking Community. University of Louvain (Girsef-IACCHOS), Belgium
30/09/2019 01/10/2015	<b>Research fellow</b> , funded by the Fonds Spéciaux de la Recherche (FSR), University of Louvain (Girsef- IACCHOS), Belgium
31/03/2013 01/04/2011	<b>Teaching assistant</b> (“vrij assistent”), Faculty of Law, Hogeschool Universiteit Brussel, Belgium
31/03/2011 01/04/2005	<b>Teaching assistant</b> (“mandaatassistent”), Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, KUBrussel, Belgium

## OBTAINED RESEARCH FUNDING

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- 08/02/2021 *EdTech and the birth of platform education: An ethnographic account of a start-up in the age of global education* (Morphogenesis)
- MSCA Global Fellowship, three-year research grant awarded by the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission (Grant ID 101032759), app. € 269 000.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND VISITING POSITIONS

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- 30/09/2023 Visiting scholar, Department of Sociology and Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, USA.
- 01/10/2021
- 30/09/2022 External collaborator, Groupe interdisciplinaire de Recherche sur la Socialisation, l'Éducation et la Formation (Girsef), UCLouvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.
- 01/10/2021

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### *Lecturer*

- 2020-2021 *Sociologie et anthropologie des mondes contemporains* (5 ECTS/45h, BSc Engineering & BSc Economic Sciences, UCLouvain)

### *Guest lecturer*

- 2022-2023 *Politiques, Acteurs, Décisions* (MSc Social Sciences, UCLouvain)
- 2021-2022 *Platform Economy, Society & Culture* (MSc Interdisciplinary Methodologies, University of Warwick)
- 2019-2020 *Mutations culturelles contemporaines: approche sociologique* (MSc Sociology, UCLouvain)
- 2018-2019 *Globalisation et regulation* (MSc Sociology, UCLouvain)
- 2012-2017 *Histoire des débats en sociologie et en anthropologie* (BSc Social Sciences, UCLouvain)

### *Teaching assistant*

- 2005-2013 *Sociologie* (3 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences & BSc Law, KUBrussel)  
*Sociologisch atelier* (2 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel)  
*Sociologische theorieën* (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel)  
*Sociologisch leeronderzoek* (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel)  
*Methodologisch atelier* (5 ECTS, BSc Social Sciences, KUBrussel)

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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- 2022 Special Issue Editor for *European Educational Research Journal*
- 2021 Special Issue Editor for *European Educational Research Journal*  
Book Editor for a Collective Volume (Routledge)
- 2020 Special Issue Editor for *Educational Philosophy and Theory*
- 2018 Expert-evaluator for *Epos*, National Agency for the Erasmus+ programme in Flanders.
- 2015 Expert-evaluator for the *Research Executive Agency* of the European Commission, Horizon2020, section Inclusive, Innovative and Reflective Societies
- 2013 Expert-evaluator for the *Research Executive Agency* of the European Commission, FP7, section socio-economic sciences and humanities

Ongoing Board Member of *European Educational Research Journal*  
Editorial Assistant for *Sociologica*

Reviewer for *European Educational Research Journal*  
*Educational Philosophy and Theory*  
*Scuola Democratica*  
*The American Sociologist*.

Reviewer for *European Educational Research Association* (Network 28: Sociologies of Education)

## ORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

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Organiser (with Tore Bernt Sørensen) of a symposium “Re-articulating the form of the political: Education governance in the European Union” held at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 06/09/2019, Hamburg.

Organiser (with Mathias Decuyper) of a double symposium “Time for Change? For a Temporal Turn in the Sociological Study of Education and Europe” (Parts 1 and 2) held at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2017, Copenhagen.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Articles published in peer-reviewed journals

1. Decuyper, M., **Vanden Broeck Pieter et al.** (2022). Laws of Edu-Automation? Three Different Approaches to Deal with Processes of Automation and Artificial Intelligence in the Field of Education. *Postdigital Science and Education*.  
doi: 10.1007/s42438-022-00360-x
2. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Worlds apart. An introduction to Niklas Luhmann's sociology of education. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20(6), 705-718.  
doi:10.1177/14749041211041867
3. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Education in world society: A matter of form. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20(6), 791-805.  
doi:10.1177/14749041211023054
4. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Mangez, Eric (2020). Ambiguous Coexistence and Social Transaction: on a Sociology of Opacity and Institutionalized Discretion. *The American Sociologist*, 51(2), 172-187.  
doi :10.1007/s12108-020-09444-2
5. Decuyper, Mathias & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Time and educational (re-)forms— Inquiring the temporal dimension of education. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 602-612.  
doi:10.1080/00131857.2020.1716449
6. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). The problem of the present: On simultaneity, synchronisation and transnational education projects. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 664-675.  
doi:10.1080/00131857.2019.1707662
7. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). The history of the future and the shifting forms of education. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52(6), 676-687.  
doi:10.1080/00131857.2019.1708329
8. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Beyond school: Transnational differentiation and the shifting form of education in world society. *Journal of Education Policy*, 35(6), 836-855.  
doi:10.1080/02680939.2019.1652769

### Special issues

9. Sørensen, Tore B. & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (forthcoming). Re-articulating the form of the political: Education governance in the European Union. *European Educational Research Journal*.
10. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2021). Niklas Luhmann and education: Observing world society. *European Educational Research Journal*, 20 (6).
11. Decuyper, Mathias & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). Time and educational (re-)forms. *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, 52 (6)

### Books

12. **Decuyper, M., & Vanden Broeck, P.** (Eds.; 2022). *Education in flux: Studies on time, forms and reform*. London: Routledge.

## Chapters in edited volumes

13. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2022). Europe ou la projectification de l'éducation. Forthcoming in Mangez, E. et al. (Ed.), *Faire société dans un monde incertain*. Bruxelles: De Boeck
14. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2022). The rats under the rug: The morphogenesis of education in a global context. Forthcoming in Mattei, P, Dumay, X., Mangez, E. & J. Behrend (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook on Education and Globalization*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
15. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2021). The construction of worlds. On the function and fiction of quantified data in education policy. In Sotiria Grek, Christian Maroy & Antoni Verger (Eds.), *World Yearbook of Education 2021. Accountability and Datafication in the Governance of Education* (pp. 3-20). London: Routledge.
16. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2016). Au-delà des inégalités. Pour une autre perspective sociologique. In Pierre-Joseph Laurent (Ed.), *Tolérances et radicalismes: que n'avons-nous pas compris ? Le terrorisme islamiste en Europe* (p. 121-137). Mons: Couleur Livres.
17. Mangez, Eric & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2014). Meeting expectations. On the challenges of collaborative research through European funding. In M. Lawn and R. Normand (Eds.), *Shaping of European Education. Interdisciplinary Approach*. London: Routledge.

## Working papers

18. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter.** (2021). Au-delà de l'école. La mondialisation de l'éducation comme morphogénèse d'une différence transnationale. *Cahiers du Girsef*, issue 125.

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Invited presentations

19. "Digital education? A systems theoretical approach", guest lecture for *Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)* on 20/06/2023, University of Lisbon.
20. "La platformisation du secteur publique", guest lecture for the course *Politiques, Acteurs, Décisions* (MSc Social Sciences) on 07/11/2022, UCLouvain.
21. "The Value of Platform Education", discussant for the online seminar *Policy futures: Digital assets and value in higher education*, on 26/09/2022, Aarhus University.
22. "The Platformisation of the Public Sector", guest lecture for the postgraduate course *Platform Economy, Society & Culture* (PhD Centre Interdisciplinary Methodologies) on 05/04/2022, University of Warwick.
23. "Researching the form of education systematically", guest lecture for *Summer School in European Education Studies (SUSEES)* on 06/04/2022, University of Leuven.
24. "Beyond school", discussant for the seminar *Policy futures: Blending education. digitalization, neoliberalization and the re-making of the school form*, on 03/10/2020, Aarhus University (webinar due to COVID-19 pandemic).
25. "La culture et la théorie Luhmannienne", guest lecture for the course *Mutations culturelles contemporaines: approche sociologique* (MSc Sociology) on 03/03/2020, UCLouvain.
26. "Outre l'école. La globalisation de l'éducation", guest lecture for the course *Globalisation et regulation* (MSc Sociology) on 06/11/2018, UCLouvain.

27. “There is no biography. An introduction to the life and sociology of Niklas Luhmann” guest lecture for the course *Histoire des débats en sociologie et en anthropologie* (BSc Sociology) on 06/11/2012, UCLouvain.

**Oral presentations** during conferences with scientific selection committee

28. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & David Stark (2023). “Class, Code & Control. Algorithmic Management in the Classroom”. Paper accepted for presentation at *Data (Re)Makes the World* (Yale Law School), on 31/03/2023, New Haven.
29. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2022). “The Rats under the Rug. The morphogenesis of education in a global context”. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 05/09/2022, Yerevan.
30. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2022). “The Rats under the Rug. The morphogenesis of education in a global context”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)* on 09/07/2022, Amsterdam.
31. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Giancarlo Corsi (2022). “Platforms, teachers and their territory”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)* on 11/07/2022, Amsterdam.
32. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Eric Mangez & (2021). “The Construction of Worlds. On the Function and Fiction of quantified data in education policy”. *European Conference on Educational Research*, Geneva on 7 September 2021.
33. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). “When Nation-states Speak Europe. On Consensus, Epistemic Subsidiarity and Double Binds Inside Europe’s Education Committee”. Paper accepted for presentation at the *ISA Forum of Sociology*, Porto Alegre (delayed to 23/02/2021 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
34. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). “The Problem of the Present. Simultaneity, Synchronisation and Transnational Education Projects”. Paper accepted for presentation at the *ISA Forum of Sociology*, Porto Alegre (delayed to 23/02/2021 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
35. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Eric Mangez (2020). “The Construction of Worlds. On the Function and Fiction of quantified data in education policy”. Paper accepted for presentation at the *European Conference on Educational Research*, Glasgow (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
36. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2020). “Bousculer les murs de l'école. Quand l'espace public devient un lieu de déviation de la forme scolaire”. Paper accepted for presentation at *Rencontres du RIED*, Brussels on 1 July 2020 (delayed to 2022 due to COVID-19 pandemic).
37. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2019). “When Nation-states Speak Europe. On Consensus, Epistemic Subsidiarity and Double Binds Inside Europe’s Education Committee”. Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 06/09/2019, Hamburg.
38. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2018). “Mirroring school. A systems theoretical outline of the differentiation of transnational education in Europe”. Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 04/09/2018, Bolzano.
39. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2017). “The Problem of the present. Simultaneity and conflict potential in transnational education projects”. Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2017, Copenhagen.
40. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2016). “Learning as a norm”. Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 24/08/2016, Dublin.
41. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** & Eric Mangez (2015). “Between Semantic and Structure: Making Sense of Europe’s Governance of Education”. Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 10/09/2015, Budapest.

42. Mangez, Eric, & **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2014). "Speaking Truth to Power? On the Challenges of Collaborative Research through European Funding". Paper presented at the *European Conference on Educational Research* on 03/09/2014, Porto.
43. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2013). "On Luhmann's Political System. Lessons for and from Bourdieu's Theory of Fields". Paper presented at the *General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research* on 0/09/2013, Bordeaux.
44. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2011). "De functionele differentiatie van kennis? De mogelijkheden-voorwaarden voor de kennismaatschappij binnen de politiek verkend" (Translation: The functional differentiation of knowledge? Exploring the conditions for a knowledge society within the political system), paper presented at *Dag van de Sociologie* on 26/05/2011, Gent.
45. **Vanden Broeck, Pieter** (2008). "Maatschappij in revolutie? Over de kennismaatschappij en andere evoluties" (Translation: Society in revolution? On the knowledge society and other evolutions), paper presented at *Dag van de Sociologie* on 29/05/2008, Leuven.

### **Public engagement**

46. "L'école au miroir. La différentiation de l'éducation transnationale en Europe". Presented at the *Colloque du Girsef* on 13/05/2019, Louvain-la-Neuve.
47. "Européanisation: quelles leçons de/pour *Demain?*" Presented at *Move for Tomorrow* on 16/11/2017, Louvain-la-Neuve.