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Université de Genève, Département de Philosophie

Appointments

2025–2028 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, University of Geneva, (within the SNSF project *Metaphysics We Can Believe In*).

2025–2026 **Postdoctoral Associate of the Oxford Philosophy Faculty**.

Education

2022–2025 **D.Phil in Philosophy**, University of Oxford, Jesus College.

Thesis: ‘Frege Puzzles in Metaphysical Debates’

Supervisors: Timothy Williamson, Matthew Parrott

Examiners: Nicholas Jones (Oxford), J Robert G Williams (Leeds)

2021–2022 **M.A. in Philosophy**, Uppsala University, Distinction.

Thesis: ‘Amie Thomasson’s Easy Ontology and Semantic Reductionism’

Supervisor: Matti Eklund

2018–2021 **M.A. in Philosophy**, University of Bologna, 110/110 *cum laude*.

Thesis: ‘Perspectives on the Hard Problem of Consciousness’

Supervisors: Sebastiano Moruzzi, Raffaella Campaner, Matti Eklund

2015–2018 **B.A. in Philosophy**, University of Bologna, 110/110 *cum laude*.

Thesis: ‘Teorie Filosofiche della Percezione: Questioni Normative e Lacune Esplicative’

Supervisor: Luca Guidetti

Research Areas

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind

Areas of Competence: Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Epistemology

Publications

2021 ‘No Ground to Bridge the Gap’, *Synthese*, 199 (3-4): 7981-7999.

forthcoming ‘Is the Knowledge Argument a Frege Puzzle?’, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*.

In Preparation or Under Review

Under review A paper on reductive approaches to fundamentality

Scholarships and Awards

2022-2025 **AHRC Studentship**, Full DPhil Funding.

2023-2025 **Jesus College Graduate Scholarship**.

2023 **Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA) Young Scholar Prize for the Philosophy of Language Session**.

Talks (*peer-reviewed)

2025 **Against Reductive Approaches to Metaphysical Explanation*, 16th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of Turin

Against Reductive Approaches to Metaphysical Explanation, Seminario di Filosofia Analitica, University of Bologna

2024 **Is the Knowledge Argument just a Frege Puzzle?*, ISPSM (International Society for the Philosophy of the Sciences of the Mind) Annual Conference, Online

**Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*, ENFA 9th National Meeting in Analytic Philosophy, NOVA University Lisbon

**Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*, 1st Parma Workshop in Analytic and Scientific Metaphysics, University of Parma

**Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*, Harvard-MIT Graduate Conference, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2023 **Verbal Disputes and Metalinguistic Disagreement*, 15th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of Eastern Piedmont

**Verbal Disputes and Metalinguistic Disagreement*, Open Minds XVI Postgraduate Conference, University of Manchester

2022 *Deflationism and the Problem of Consciousness*, DPhil seminar, University of Oxford

2021 **No Ground to Bridge the Gap*, Open Minds XV Postgraduate Conference, University of Manchester

Organization of Conferences

2023 **27th Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference**, University of Oxford

Teaching

Undergraduate Classes

- Winter 2025 **The Metaphysics and the Ethics of Consciousness**, University of Oxford, *Series of Four Lectures*
- Autumn 2024 **Philosophy of Mind**, Merton College/Worcester College, University of Oxford, *Tutorial*
- Autumn 2023 **General Philosophy**, St Hugh's College, University of Oxford, *Teaching Assistantship*
- Autumn 2023 **Introduction to Logic**, New College, University of Oxford, *Teaching Assistantship*

Graduate Classes

- Spring 2024 **Seminar on Frege Puzzles**, University of Bologna (*guest lecture—main lecturer: Filippo Ferrari*)
- Spring 2024 **Topics in Epistemology**, University of Oxford (*guest lecture—main lecturer: Timothy Williamson*)

Other Academic Activities

- Summer 2023 **Visiting Scholar**, University of Bologna
- Spring 2023 **Reviewer** for the 27th Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference
- Autumn 2022 **Postgraduate Assistant for Philosophy Undergraduate Admission Interviews**, Jesus College, University of Oxford

Affiliations

Aristotelian Society
German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP)
Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA)
Oxford Philosophy Society

Languages

Italian—Native Speaker
English—Fluent

References

Timothy Williamson University of Oxford (New College)

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