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Employment

Postdoctoral Researcher

2024–2027

Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiter an der Professur für Theoretische Philosophie
Institut für Philosophie
Technische Universität Dresden

Education

PhD in Philosophy (*summa cum laude*)

2020–2023

Freie Universität Berlin

Dissertation title: The Surprise Account of Modal Competence

Supervisor: Prof. Barbara Vetter

BPhil in Philosophy

2018–2020

University of Oxford

Dissertation title: The Modal Universe

Supervisor: Prof. Timothy Williamson

BA(Hons) in Philosophy

2015–2018

University of Manchester

Dissertation title: David Lewis' Epistemology of Modality

Supervisor: Prof. Chris Daly

Areas of Expertise

Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind

AOS

Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language

AOC

Publications

Forthcoming. The Agentive Achievement of Acceptance. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*.

Forthcoming. Core Imagination. *Philosophers' Imprint*. (w/ Tom Schoonen)

2023. Epistemologists of modality wanted. *Synthese* 202 (6):1-20. (w/ Tom Schoonen)

In Progress

The Surprise Account of Modal Knowledge Acquisition. (R&R at *Synthese*)

Teaching Experience

Modal Knowledge

Primary instructor, 16-week undergraduate seminar

Freie Universität Berlin

Winter 2022–2023

Selected Talks

A Puzzle about Surprise

2025

- Epistemology and the Sentiments, *the Human Abilities Centre*
- Workshop in Theoretical Philosophy, *University of Graz*

The Acceptance Norm of Intention (w/ Sophie Kikkert)

- Acceptance: Between Cognition and Action, *Technische Universität Dresden*

Acceptance as the Policy to Premise

2024

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Technische Universität Dresden*

The Agentive Achievement of Acceptance

- Topics in Language and Epistemology, *Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf*
- The Value in Abilities, *FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg*
- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Technische Universität Dresden*

Knowledge of Graded Modality

- Workshop in Theoretical Philosophy, *Technische Universität Dresden*
- Berlin WIP Seminar, *Humboldt University Berlin*

The Surprise Account of Modal Knowledge Acquisition

2023-2022

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin*
- The Science & Philosophy of Modal Thought Workshop, *the Human Abilities Centre*
- GAP 11 (Conference of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy), *Humboldt University Berlin*

Epistemologists of Modality Wanted (w/ Tom Schoonen)

2022

- IV Blasco Disputatio, *Universitat de València*
- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin*

Core Imagination (w/ Tom Schoonen)

- Naturalised Epistemologies of Modality Workshop, *the Human Abilities Centre*

The Deontic Demarcation Challenge

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin*

From Modal Semantics to Modal Knowledge Acquisition

2021

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin*

Competence and Performance in the Modal Domain

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin*

Knowledge of the Modal Universe

2020

- PhilChat2020, *University of Manchester*

Scholarships & Awards

Fee-waiver Bursary <i>Central European University</i> €500 awarded to attend Identity: Logic and Metaphysics, an international graduate summer school	2021
PhD Fellowship <i>Capacities and the Good project at Freie Universität Berlin (DFG-funded)</i> Full Cost Award received by one PhD student	2020
Fee-waiver Bursary <i>University of Urbino, Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, Logic and the Philosophy of Science</i> €180 awarded to the best applicants to the Urbino Epistemology Summer School	2019
Burton Fund Award <i>University of Oxford</i> Lady Margaret Hall Academic Development Fund	
Outstanding Academic Achievement Award <i>University of Manchester</i> £1,000 awarded to 0.5% of the student population every year	2018
Michael Polanyi Memorial Prize <i>University of Manchester</i> Best third-year performance in (Single or Joint Honours) Philosophy	
Michael Polanyi Memorial Scholarship <i>University of Manchester</i> Best second-year performance in (Single or Joint Honours) Philosophy	2017
Michael Polanyi Logic Prize <i>University of Manchester</i> Best second-year performance in Logic	
Undergraduate Conference Support Fund <i>University of Manchester</i> £200 awarded to attend University of Sheffield Undergraduate Conference	
Elizabeth Wegner Prize <i>University of Manchester</i> Best first-year performance in (Single or Joint Honours) Philosophy	2016
The Manchester Bursary <i>University of Manchester</i> £9,000 awarded to those with household income below £17,000	2015

Professional Roles

Postdoctoral Researcher <i>The Nature and Norms of Acceptance (DFG)</i>	2024–2027
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Doctoral Researcher
Capacities and the Good (DFG)

2020–2023

Associated Researcher
Human Abilities: Centre for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (DFG)

Conference & Workshop Organization

Acceptance: Between Cognition and Action 2025
Technische Universität Dresden | Norms and Nature of Acceptance DFG Project

Naturalised Epistemologies of Modality 2022
Human Abilities: Centre for Advanced Studies in the Humanities

Capacities and the Good
Freie Universität Berlin | Capacities and the Good DFG Project

Epistemic Capacities and the Good
Freie Universität Berlin | Capacities and the Good DFG Project

PhilChat2017: Philosophy of Gender, Race, and Class 2017
University of Manchester

Open Minds XII 2016
University of Manchester

Referee Work

Open Minds XII; 23rd Annual Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference; Capacities and the Good Conference; Philosophical Studies; GAP Epistemology Section; Erkenntnis

References

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