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## AREAS OF INTEREST

The Philosophy of Technology | Mind (Consciousness) | Value Theory

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## EDUCATION

- Master of Arts** | The University of York | Philosophy of AI 2021 - 2022  
Thesis: “Determining Artificial Moral Standing: The Importance of Practical Feasibility”  
Supervisor: Prof. Annette Zimmermann
- Ba(hons)** | The University of Kent | Philosophy (1:1) 2018 - 2021  
Thesis: “Assuming the Worst: Would Creating Superintelligence be Super-Intelligent?”  
Supervisor: Dr Alexandra Trofimov
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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Research Associate** | Institute for Ethics in Technology (Hamburg University of Technology) 2024 -  
Supervisor: Prof. Maximilian Kiener
- Research Fellow** | University College London 2023 - 2024  
*The Ethics of Haptic Technology*  
Supervisor: Prof. Patrick Haggard
- Research Assistant** | The University of Cambridge (LCFI) 2022 - 2023  
*Better Images of AI*  
Supervisors: Tania Duarte and Dr Kanta Dihal
- Advisor** | We and AI 2022 -
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## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

Anthropomorphism and AI Hype (forthcoming)  
*AI and Ethics*

### Conference Proceedings

[“Thinking Unwise: A Relational U-turn”](#), 2023  
*Social Robots in Social Institutions: Proceedings of RoboPhilosophy 2022* | 489-497

### Book Reviews

Mark Coeckelbergh’s *Robot Ethics* for the *Journal of Applied Philosophy* 2023

### Public Philosophy + misc

[Why be transparent about the use of AI?](#) for *Philosophy2u* 2024

Contributed to [Better Images of AI: A Guide for Users and Creators](#) 2023

[“Moral zombies: why algorithms are not moral agents”](#) 2022

A research summary for the *Montreal AI Ethics Institute*

Is it the case we may as well be Nihilists? for the *Dialectic* 15(3) 2022

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## TALKS (\* = Refereed † = Invited)

### Experience Machines and Reality: the Finishing Touch

- Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness\* (26 | NYU) June 2023
- UCL, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, Action and Body Lab† May 2023

### The Ethics of Digital Touch

- UCL, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, Action and Body Lab† March 2023

### Thinking Unwise: a Relational U-Turn

- RoboPhilosophy\* (Helsinki) August 2022
- The University of York Graduate Conference† (York) June 2022

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## AWARDS

**David Eford Research Travel Fund** [The University of York] 2022  
Merit-based

**Artificial Intelligence Scholarship** [The University of York] 2021 - 2022  
Awarded Annually to one Philosophy of AI Student Based on Merit

**Philosophy Dissertation Award** [The University of Kent] 2021  
For Best Thesis in Philosophy

**Philosophy Award** [Reigate College] 2018  
Based on Merit and Academic Potential

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## TEACHING

*The University of York*

### Led Seminar In

Topics in Consciousness and Representation Spring 2022  
Topics in the Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence Autumn 2021

*The University of Kent*

**Tutor** | English Refugee Hub

2018 - 2019

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## EMPLOYMENT

**Lead Bid Writer** | Better Images of AI (We and AI) 2022 - 2023

**Researcher** | AllTechIsHuman March 2021

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## SERVICE

**Guest Editor** | *AI and Ethics* topical collection on 'AI Hype' 2023-2024

**Treasurer** | University of Kent RespectTheNo 2020 - 2021

**Philosophy Ambassador** | The University of Kent 2020 - 2021

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## REFERENCES

**Prof. Annette Zimmermann**

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