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AREAS OF RESEARCH

AOS: Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Psychology, Philosophy of Cognitive Science

AOC: Philosophy of Science, History of Philosophy, Metaphysics

CURRENT POSITION

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

January 2018 – Present

Department of Philosophy

Honorary Research Fellow

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2012 – January 2018

PhD in Philosophy

- Passed Viva, no corrections
- Thesis Title: *The Functional Role of Phenomenal Consciousness*
- Supervisors: Dominic Gregory (primary) and Luca Barlassina (secondary)
- Examiners: Stephen Laurence (internal) and Joseph Levine (external)

UNIVERSITEIT LEIDEN

February 2011 – May 2012

Master of Arts, History and Philosophy of the Sciences

- Grade: 8.5/10 *cum laude*
- Thesis Title: *Online Perceptual Awareness and Qualia*
- Thesis Supervisor: Jan Sleutels

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

September 2006 – December 2010

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy and Ethics

- Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*
- Thesis Title: *Modality and Modal Realism*
- Thesis Supervisor: Giuseppe Rocco

UNIVERSITEIT LEIDEN

February 2009 – June 2009

Erasmus Exchange Programme

Completed modules include: Free Will and Determinism, Dutch Culture and Society, and Environmental Ethics

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

September 2005 – February 2006

Completed 15 credits towards a BA of Science in Biology

Completed modules include: Cytology and Histology, Zoology, and Information Technology

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

AHRC

October 2012 – October 2015

PhD Grant (fees)

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD October 2012 – October 2015
PhD Grant (stipend)

UNIVERSITY OF KENT October 2012 – October 2015
PhD Grant (fees & stipend) declined

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO December 2011
Postgraduate Study Abroad Scholarship

FIAT GROUP November 2011
Postgraduate Study Scholarship

EUROPEAN UNION February 2009 – June 2009
Erasmus Programme Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

D. La Manna (forthcoming). "The Complexity of Visual Responses to Visual Stimuli: On Carruthers's Challenge to Block's Overflow Argument", *Philosophical Psychology*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

D. La Manna. "Self-Representationalism and the Functional Role of Phenomenal Consciousness".

TEACHING

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD October 2019 – January 2020
Department of Philosophy
Essay Supervisor and Marker

- Supervised the writing of long essays on consciousness for the MA module Cognitive Studies Research Seminar
- Marked and provided feedback on the same essays

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD October 2019
Department of Philosophy
Guest Lecturer

Designed and delivered the lecture titled "Does Phenomenal Consciousness Overflow Cognitive Access?" as part of the MA module Cognitive Studies Research Seminar

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD January – February 2017, February 2016
Faculty of Arts and Humanities
Postgraduate Research Facilitator

- Facilitated the execution of group-work as part of the first-year interdisciplinary module ThinkCreate
- Assessed and provided feedback on the students' final piece of work

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD October 2012 – February 2017
Department of Philosophy
Graduate Teaching Assistant

- Taught seminars for the following first year modules:
 - Mind Brain and Personal Identity

- Self and Society
- Paradox and Plurality
- Reason and Argument
- Knowledge, Justification, and Doubt
- Philosophy of Religion
- Elementary logic
- Marked and provided feedback on essays and exams

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2015 – February 2016

Department of Philosophy

Teaching Fellow

- Designed and taught (with a colleague) the third year and MA module Philosophical Problems I: The Nature of Consciousness
- Supervised the writing of long and short essays
- Marked and provided feedback on essays and exams

SELECTED TALKS

- Against Uriah Kriegel's Account of the Relation between Access and Phenomenal Consciousness, *OZSW Conference 2016*, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Groningen, Dec. 2016
- Phenomenal Consciousness Is Not the Categorical Basis of Access Consciousness, *Philosophy Meets Cognitive Science: A Conference in Honour of Stephen Stich*, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, Oct. 2016
- The Functional Role of Phenomenal Consciousness: A Simple Perspective, *Consciousness and Accessibility*, Sorbonne, Paris, Nov. 2015

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2018 – February 2019

Department of Philosophy

Organizer (with Keith Frankish) of the Consciousness Reading Group

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2016

Department of Philosophy

Conference Assistant, *Philosophy Meets Cognitive Science: A Conference in Honour of Stephen Stich*

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October 2016

Department of Philosophy

Workshop Assistant, *Mind Network Meeting*

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

January 2015 – January 2016

Department of Philosophy

Member of the Postgraduate Affairs Committee

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2014 – October 2015

Department of Philosophy

Representative of the Philosophy International Students Society

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

July 2014

Department of Philosophy

Co-organizer of the *Understanding Value III* Conference

RELEVANT TRAINING

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

October 2013 – January 2014

Attended the following training sessions, offered as part of *The Sheffield Teaching Assistant Scheme*:

- Teaching: Design and Delivery
- Large Group Teaching: Problem Solving
- Assessment and Feedback
- Small Group Teaching: Seminar Facilitation

MEMBERSHIPS

The Aristotelian Society

LANGUAGES

- Italian (native speaker)
- English (fluent/full proficiency)