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RESEARCH AREAS

Areas of specialisation: Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Psychiatry.

Areas of competence: Epistemology, Ethics, Phenomenology.

EMPLOYMENT

2021-2022: Postdoctoral Researcher (Mind Association award), Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford.

EDUCATION

2016-2020: PhD, Philosophy, University of Birmingham, UK.

- Thesis: *Strange Beliefs: Essays on Delusion Formation*
- Supervisors: Lisa Bortolotti, Ema Sullivan-Bissett, Craig French
- Examiners: Tim Bayne, Henry Taylor.
- Pass, with no corrections

2019: Visiting Researcher, School of Medicine, Yale University, USA.

2014-2015: MA, Philosophy, Durham University, UK (Distinction, 79% overall, 87% final project).

2012: Erasmus Exchange Program, University of Freiburg, Germany.

2012-2014: MA, Philosophy, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy, 110 cum laude (Distinction).

2008-2012: BA, Philosophy, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy, 110 cum laude (Hons, First class).

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2021-2022: Mind Studentship (£17,375). Awarded by The Mind Association, University of Oxford, UK.

2019: Michael K. O'Rourke Best PhD Publication Award (£400) from the College of Arts and Law, University of Birmingham, UK.

2019: AHRC, Conference Grant, Philosophy in Progress (£4000), University of Nottingham, UK, co-applicant.

2019: AHRC, Travel Award, (£1145.58), Yale University, USA.

2018: AHRC, Conference Grant, Philosophy in Progress (£4000), University of Nottingham, UK, co-applicant.

2017-2019: Full AHRC funding for PhD (£29,554), University of Birmingham, UK.

2016: College of Arts and Law Doctoral Scholarship (£11,000), University of Birmingham, UK.

2015: Cash prize for the highest mark in the MA program (£80), Durham University, UK.

2012: ERASMUS Studentship (€1,800), University of Freiburg, Germany.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

UPCOMING

8-10 July 2022. *TBD*. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and The Mind Association, University of St. Andrews, UK [**Invited**].

16-18 November 2021. *Spinozan Doxasticism about Delusions*. X Conference of the Spanish Society for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, Salamanca, Spain [**Invited**].

PAST

28 June – 2 July 2021. *Spinozan Doxasticism About Delusions*. 46th Annual Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology. Princeton University, USA (moved online due to Covid-19).

14 March 2019. *Making sense of an endorsement model of the Capgras delusion*. Belief, Learning, and Memory Lab. Yale University, USA [**Invited**].

6 November 2018. *Is the Capgras delusion an endorsement of experience?* Belief, Imagination, and Delusions conference, University of Birmingham, UK.

24 May 2018: *Are delusions justified perceptual beliefs?* M3C Research Festival, Maple House, Birmingham.

14 August 2017: *Can you see someone as an imposter?* 25th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Hertfordshire, UK.

14 July 2017: *Can you see someone as an imposter?* Annual conference of the British Society of Philosophy of Science, University of Edinburgh, UK.

28 June 2017: *Can you see someone as an imposter?* 44th Annual meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

18 May 2017: *Capgras delusion. A new account*, International Permanent Workshop 'Phenomenology Today', Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan [**Invited**].

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Spinozan Doxasticism about Delusions". Forthcoming in *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly*.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/papq.12373>

"Is the Capgras delusion an endorsement of experience?". *Mind & Language* (2020). 35:3: 293-312.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/mila.12239>

BOOK CHAPTERS

"The role of unconscious inference in models of delusion formation" (with Lisa Bortolotti) in A., Nes and T., Chan. (eds.) *Inference and Consciousness*, Routledge. (2019).

<https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315150703>

MANUSCRIPTS

"Delusions, Explanations, and the Predictive Mind" (with Phil Corlett). R&R at *Synthese*.

"Delusions and Perceptual Justification". Under review.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Teaching

Problems of Philosophy. Postgraduate Teaching Assistant responsible for leading seminars and marking/examining. First year module, 2016/2018.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Assistance with developing online resources for a Master module in Philosophy and Mental Health for the University of Birmingham, December 2020.

Conference Co-Organiser, Philosophy in Progress, University of Nottingham, January 2020.

Conference Co-Organiser, Philosophy in Progress, University of Nottingham, January 2019.

Referee, *Philosophical Psychology*, Ongoing.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Posts for the blog Imperfect Cognitions (<http://imperfectcognitions.blogspot.com/>).

23 February 2021: "Interview with Federico Bongiorno on Delusions" (most popular post of the year so far by number of unique views).

10 September 2019: "Is the Capgras Delusions an Endorsement of Experience?"

7 September 2017: "Report from the 43rd meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology".

31 August 2017: "Cognitive Phenomenology: An Interview with Peter Carruthers".

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Member of the Imperfect Cognitions Research Network (since 2016)

Member of the centre PERSONA (Laboratory for Research in Phenomenology and Sciences of the Person, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University), Milan (since 2015).

Member of the British Society for the Philosophy of Science (2018).

CEF – Ethics Committee in End-of-Life Care – Milan, Italy – Intern. (2012/2013).

FURTHER TRAINING

January 2016: *Course in Psychopathology and Clinical Practice*, Florence, Italy. Lectures held by Giovanni Stanghellini, Andrea Fiorillo, Mads Gram Henriksen, and Andrea Raballo.

August 2014: *Summer School in Phenomenology and Philosophy of Mind*, Center for Subjectivity Research, Copenhagen, Denmark. Lectures by Dan Zahavi, Julia Jansen, Walter Hopp, Dorothee Legrand, and Soren Overgaard.

REFEREES

- Professor Lisa Bortolotti, University of Birmingham.
- Professor Tim Bayne, Monash University
- Dr Philip Corlett, Yale University.
- Dr Ema Sullivan-Bissett, University of Birmingham.
- Dr Craig French, University of Nottingham.