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**AoS:** Love, sex, & relationships; Existentialism

**AoC:** Ethics; Post-Kantian (inc., Phenomenology); Feminism & gender studies

## **Education**

**PhD:** Philosophy department, Durham University, Oct. 2022 – Present

Working title: 'The Virtues and Vices of Masculine Love', Supervisors: Dr Joe Saunders, Dr Richard Stopford

**MA:** 'Philosophy,' Distinction, Philosophy department, Durham University, Oct. 2019 – Aug. 2020

**BA (Hons):** 'Philosophy,' First Class, Philosophy department, Durham University, Oct. 2016 - Jul. 2019

## **Publications**

2023 'Beauvoir on how we can love authentically' *Inquiry*  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2023.2168300> (Forthcoming, published online)

Under Review (Titles changed)

'The experience and value of being infatuated' – Journal article

## **Conferences & Talks**

Jan 2024 – **Applied Ethics Conference** (University of Nottingham), Title: Ethical Infatuations

Nov 2023 – **Phenomenological Workshop: Love and Sexuality** (University of Copenhagen),  
Title: 'The experience and value of being infatuated'

May 2023 – **Eidos** (Durham Philosophy Postgraduate Society), Title: 'In Defence of Infatuation'

Nov 2022 – **Van Mildert MCR Research Seminar** (Durham University), Title: 'Simone de Beauvoir on Authentic Love'

## **Service**

'Eidos' (President) Sep '23—Aug '24 – Durham's philosophy PGR society.

**Staff Student Consultative Committee PGR Representative Sep '23—Aug '24**

**'The love reading group' (Participant)** – Inter-institutional group based at Leeds

**'Durham Continental research group' (Participant)**

## **Teaching**

Discussion Group/Tutorial Leader:

**Moral Theory** – Second year

**Being Human: An introduction to Post-Kantian Philosophy** – First year

**Ethics and Values** – First year

## **Grants & Funding**

**Society for Applied Philosophy Research Trip Support Grant**

**Durham Doctoral Studentship** – A competitive faculty scholarship

## **References** (Alphabetical)

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