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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Universidad de los Andes, Philosophy Department

Department Chair	January 2023
Associate Professor	January 2018-
Assistant Professor	July 2013-December 2017

Berlin School of Mind and Brain

Volkswagen Postdoctoral Fellow	September 2012-June 2013
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AREAS OF RESEARCH

Moral psychology, action theory, philosophy of mind

EDUCATION

Washington University in St Louis

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Neuroscience, Psychology	May 2012
Ph.D. Certificate in Institutions and Social Sciences	

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

MA in Philosophy. Meritorious dissertation	September 2002
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Universidad de los Andes

BA Magna cum laude in Philosophy	May 1999
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GRANTS & AWARDS (post PhD)

Open Society University Network

Academic Freedom in Colombian Universities (PI).	July 2022 US\$10,000
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John Templeton Foundation

Memory and Forgiveness (Co-investigator; PI. Felipe de Brigard).	July 2021 US\$988,602
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James S. McDonnell Foundation

Off the Rails. Moral Psychology Beyond Traditional Borders (PI)	August 2020 US\$250,000
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John Templeton Foundation

LATAM Free Will, Agency, and Responsibility (Co-PI).	February 2019 US\$1,229,839
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John Templeton Foundation Getting Better at Simple Things: Understanding and improving vigilant control (Co-PI)	April 2017 US\$160,430
Universidad de los Andes, School of Social Sciences Moral Emotions: Psychological and philosophical Perspectives (PI)	November 2016 US\$22,000
ICETEX. Instituto Colombiano de Educación Movilidad internacional	November 2016 US\$3200 aprox.
ICETEX. Instituto Colombiano de Educación Movilidad internacional	November 2015 US\$3200 aprox.
Colciencias Depto. Administrativo de Ciencias Jóvenes investigadores	January-December 2015 US\$7500 aprox.
Universidad de los Andes, School of Social Sciences Travel award	May-June 2014 US\$2000
Colciencias, Depto. Administrativo de Ciencias Movilidad internacional	March 2014 US\$1500 aprox.
Foundation/Washington University Exchange Program Postdoctoral Fellowship Volkswagen	AY 2012-2013

PUBLICATIONS

EDITED COLLECTIONS & ISSUES

Amaya, S., Abitbol, P., Allais, L. (forthcoming) Forgiveness and Memory. Special Issue of *Revista de Estudios Sociales*.

Shoemaker, D., Amaya, S., Vargas, M. (forthcoming). Non Ideal Agency and Responsibility. *Oxford Studies in Agency and Responsibility*, 8.

PAPERS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Amaya, S., Almanza, M. (forthcoming) Academic Freedom in Colombian Universities: a first attempt to complicate things [White Paper]. OSUN Global Observatory for Academic Freedom.

Castro, M., Roa, S., Amaya, S. (forthcoming) Cognición Moral. In L. Skidelski (ed), *Filosofía de las Ciencias Cognitivas*. Ediciones Uniandes: Bogotá.

Amaya, S. (forthcoming) "Free Will is Vague." *Philosophical Issues*.

Fernández-Miranda, G., ..., Amaya, S, Jiménez, W. (forthcoming) Compassion and decision fatigue among healthcare workers during COVID-19 pandemic in a Colombian sample. *PLOS One*.

Murray, S., Jimenez, W. Amaya, S. (forthcoming) (With S. Murray and W. Jiménez) Purity is linked to cooperation but not necessarily through self-control. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.

Bago, B., +45 labs worldwide (2022) Situational factors shape moral judgements in the trolley dilemma in Eastern, and Southern, and Western countries in a culturally diverse sample. *Nature Human Behavior*, 6, 880-896.

Amaya, S. (2022) Agency and mistakes. In L. Ferrero (eds) *Handbook of the Philosophy of Agency*. Routledge: New York & London.

Amaya, S. (2022) Negligence: its moral significance. In J. Doris & M. Vargas (eds) *Handbook of Moral Psychology*. Oxford University Press: New York & Oxford.

Amaya, S. (2020) Out of Habit. *Synthese*. DOI: 10.1007/s11229-020-02780-3

Amaya, S. (2020) The Science of Self-Control [White Paper]. John Templeton Foundation. Retrievable at: <https://www.templeton.org/discoveries/the-science-of-self-control>

Amaya, S. (2019) Forgiveness as emotional distancing. *Social Philosophy and Policy*, 36(1): 6-26.

Amaya, S., Doris, J, (2018) Review of A. Fairweather & M. Alfano (eds.), *Epistemic Situationism*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, 08.14.2018.

Amaya, S. (2018) Two Kinds of Intentions: A new defense of the Simple View. *Philosophical Studies*, 175(7): 1767-1786.

Amaya, S. (2017) Basic Actions Reloaded. *Philosophy Compass*, 19, 9. DOI: 10.1111/phc3.12435

Amaya, S. (2016) Slip-Proof Actions. In R. Altschuler y M. Grist (eds) *Time and the Philosophy of Action*. Routledge: New York & London.

Amaya, S. (2015) The Argument from Slips. In A. Buckareff, C. Moya & S. Rosell (eds) *Agency and Responsibility*. Palgrave-Macmillan: New York.

Amaya, S. , Doris, J. (2014) No Excuses: Performance mistakes in morality. In J. Clausen y N. Levy (eds) *Springer Handbook of Neuroethics*. Dordrecht: Netherlands.

Amaya, S. (2013) Slips. *Nôus*, 47(3): 559-576.

INVITED TALKS & LECTURES (post PhD)

King's College London <i>Presidential Series on Academic Freedom</i> Concepts of Academic Freedom in Colombia	May 2023
Agency and Responsibility Research Group <i>Speaker Series</i> The Unity of Self-Control	February 2023
Asociación Latinoamericana de Filosofía Analítica <i>Bi-annual meeting</i> The Unity of Self-Control	August 2022
Ludwig Maximilians Universität-München <i>Cognition, Values, and Behavior Research Group</i> Loyalty as a Foundation of Moral Judgment: a cross-cultural study	June 2022
Institut Jean Nicod <i>Invited talk</i> The Unity of Self-Control	June 2022
Duke University <i>Moral Psychology Research Group</i> Loyalty as a Foundation of Moral Judgment: a cross-cultural study	May 2022
Cornell University <i>Philosophy Job Market Outside the US</i> The Philosophy Job Market in Latin America	May 2022
University of Vienna <i>Vienna Forum for Analytic Philosophy</i> Negligence: its moral significance	January 2022
Central European University <i>Reimagining Academic Freedom</i> Academic Freedom and the Agency of Academics	January 2022
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Neuroscience Program <i>Program colloquium</i> Cognición moral: retos y dificultades	September 2021

<p>III International Conference of Philosophy of Neuroscience <i>Keynote address</i> Free Will is Vague</p>	<p>June 2021</p>
<p>UNAM-Seminario Latinoamericano de Filosofía de la Mente <i>Invited talk</i> Agencia y errores</p>	<p>April 2021</p>
<p>Florida State University, Philosophy Department <i>Department Colloquium</i> Vigilance and the Problem of acting in Time</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Universidad Adolfo Ibañez, Faculty of Law <i>Seminary on Norms and Reasons</i> El significado moral de la negligencia</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Universidad de Antioquia, Instituto de Filosofía <i>Coloquio de Filosofía de la Mente</i> Más allá del bien y del mal</p>	<p>July 2020</p>
<p>Institute Jean Nicod Out of Habit</p>	<p>July 2020</p>
<p>Free Will, Agency, and Control Conicet Seminar, Universidad de Córdoba <i>Invited Instructor</i></p>	<p>March 2020 (Postponed for 2021)</p>
<p>First Summer School in Analytic Philosophy, Montevideo <i>Invited Instructor</i> El problema metafísico de la libertad</p>	<p>December 2019</p>
<p>Centro de Etica Aplicada, Uniandes. <i>Keynote address, 5-year anniversary event</i> Más allá del bien y del mal</p>	<p>November 2019</p>
<p>Colombian Undergraduate Philosophy Conference <i>Keynote Address</i> Perdón y distanciamiento</p>	<p>October 2019</p>
<p>UNICAMP, Brazil Beyond Good and Evil Vigilance</p>	<p>October 2019</p>

Sociedad de Análisis Filosófico, Buenos Aires Vigilancia	March 2019
Universidad Alberto Hurtado <i>Charla inaugural de los posgrados de Filosofía</i> Vigilancia	March 2019
UNAM <i>Seminario de Afectividad y Emociones</i> Perdón y distanciamiento	October 2018
UNAM <i>Coloquio del Instituto de Investigaciones Filosóficas</i> Vigilancia	October 2018
American Philosophical Association, Central Division <i>Society for the Philosophy of Agency</i> Acting Habitually	February 2018
University of Arizona <i>Moral Responsibility: the next generation</i> Forgiveness as emotional distancing	December 2017
Marist College Admiration and Disappointment	April 2016
Universidad de Antioquia <i>Philosophy of Science Lectures</i> Philosophy and Cognitive Sciences	April 2015
University of Lund <i>Philosophical Society</i> The argument from slips	March 2015
Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá <i>Workshop on Agency and Responsibility</i> Two kinds of intentions	November 2013
University of Texas, El Paso No excuses: Performance mistakes and responsibility	May 2013
University of Lund, Sweden Moral Responsibility and Situationism	February 2013
University of Tübingen Without Belief	October 2012

REFEREED TALKS (since 2012)

- May 2020 Beyond Good and Evil. Society for Philosophy & Psychology (declined)
- May 2019 Vigilance, Re-thinking conscious agency project, Barcelona.
- August 2016 Out of Habit, Gothenburg Workshop on Responsibility
- May 2016 Admiration and Disappointment, (ALFA) Latino American Association for Analytic Philosophy, Costa Rica
- November 2014 Cognitive Penetration, Workshop in Philosophy and Cognitive Science, U. de Buenos Aires.
- May 2014 Cognitive Penetration, (ALFA) Latino American Association for Analytic Philosophy, Brazil
- April 2013 Slip-proof actions, Pacific Division Meeting, American Philosophical Association

TEACHING (Universidad de los Andes)

Graduate seminars: Morality & Cultural Variation, Self-control, Metaphysics of Freedom, Numbers and Persons: Quantitative methods in Social Sciences, The Voice of Others: Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences, On Error.

Undergraduate courses: Forgiveness: personal experiences. Moral psychology, Minds and Machines, Moral emotions, Problems in Social Research, Ethical Dilemmas, Philosophy of Language, History and Philosophy of science, Philosophy of mind.

Continuing Education: Ethical deliberation in business settings (Argos Group), Business Ethics (Ethics Center, Uniandes), Mistakes and innovation (Business School, Uniandes).

International summer seminars. Thanks to a John Templeton Foundation grant I've co-directed 3 summer seminars, featuring a total of 20 invited faculty, and more than 50 early career philosophers coming from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Chile, México, UK, US, among other places.

MENTORING

Master's students (current placement).

Alejandro Vesga (PhD Student, Cornell University); Camilo Martinez, (PhD Student, Princeton University); Gabriela Fernández (Psychology PhD student, Duke University); Juan David Ardila (PhD program in Public Policy, University of East Anglia); Oscar Piedrahíta (PhD Student, U. of California, Irvine); María Camila Castro (Cornell); Migdalia Arcila (Cornell)

PhD students and Postdoctoral Fellows (current affiliation)

Catherine Felix (Senior Lecturer, Lund University), Samuel Murray (Assistant Professor, Providence College), Juan Pablo Bermúdez (Postdoctoral Researcher, Imperial College), Federico Burdman (Universidad ASlberto Hurtado, Chile), Emily Bingeman (Mount Allison University).

SERVICE

AT UNIANDES

Department Chair (2023-), Member of University steering committee for Academic Reform (2023-), Advisor to Head of Digital Transformation (2022-), Member of Hiring Committees (Philosophy and Psychology), Member of Social Science School committee for Academic Reform (2018-), Member of the Philosophy Committee for Undergraduate Reform (2018), Member of Philosophy Gender Committee (2019-2020)

FOR THE PROFESSION

Member of the Advisory Board. Open Society's *Global Observatory on Academic Freedom*

Member of the Steering Committee. *Society for the Philosophy of Agency*.

Associated Editor. *Philosophia*.

Area editor (philosophy of agency). *Ergo*.

Category editor. *Philpapers*. Areas: Intentions, Nature of Action Varieties of Action.

Referee for American Philosophical Quarterly, Analysis, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Crítica, Cognition, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Fundación Alejandro Angel Escobar, Manuscrito, Memory and Cognition, Mind, Mind and Language, Cambridge University Press (psychology), Ideas y Valores, Journal of Ethics and Social Political Philosophy, John Templeton Foundation, Noûs, Oxford University Press (philosophy), Philosophical Psychology, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Synthese, Topics in Cognitive Science.

Evaluator of Tenure File. Philosophy Department, University of Missouri, St Louis.
June 2022.

MEDIA & PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The Free Will Show, "The Vagueness of Free Will, episode 39

<https://thefreewillshow.com/episode-39/>

Free Will Matters. Podcast. Season 1-2, 15 episodes

<https://freewill.uniandes.edu.co/podcast/>

Filosofía y Neurociencia. Ciencia y Café. Febrero 2020, Bogotá.

"Vigilance," January 2020, The Pulse. Whyy.

<https://why.org/episodes/new-problems/>

What is like to be a Philosopher in Colombia. October 2019, Philosopher's Cocoon

<https://philosopherscocoon.typepad.com/blog/2019/10/being-a-philosopher-in-colombia-reasons-for-optimism.html>

In Conversation with Santiago Amaya. September 2018. Philosophy of agency.

<https://philosophyofaction.com/31-santiago-amaya-universidad-de-los-andes>

Machine Creativity. June 2013, Deutschlandradio Kultur.

Can Computers Think? February 2013, Talk, Brain Awareness Week, Berlin

MEMBERSHIPS

American Philosophical Association, Open Society's Global Observatory on Academic Freedom (advisory board), Sociedad Latinoamericana de Filosofía Analítica, Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Society for the Philosophy of Agency (organizing committee)

REFERENCES

Available upon request