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Curriculum Vitae

RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS: Metaethics (Moral Psychology, Moral Epistemology, Moral Metaphysics)
AOC: Ethics, Applied ethics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Action, Deontic Logic

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Nov 2022- Postdoctoral Research Scholar, North Carolina State University
Project: *NSF Career "VR simulations of moral decision making for Autonomous Vehicles"*
Supervisor: Dr. Veljko Dubljevic

EDUCATION

Nov 2018 - Mar 2022 Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Genoa
Dissertation: *Sensitive to reasons: moral intuition and the dual process challenge to ethics*
Thesis discussion: 18/03/2022. Passed without revisions.
Supervisor: Prof. Maria Silvia Vaccarezza
Referees: Dr. Hanno Sauer, Prof. Fabrice Teroni

Sep 2015 - Nov 2017 M.A., Philosophy, University of Pisa
Dissertation: *L'argomento di indispensabilità epistemica a favore del realismo normativo*
Grade: 110/110 cum laude
Supervisors: Prof. Luca Bellotti, Prof. Massimo Mugnai

Oct 2015 - Sep 2017 Student of Scuola Normale Superiore, Class of Humanities
Dissertation: *Sopravvenienza e grounding: un confronto*
Supervisor: Dr. Giorgio Lando

Sep 2012 - Jul 2015 B.A., Philosophy, University of Florence
Dissertation: *Verità e norme: il valore logico degli enunciati normative*
Grade: 110/110 cum laude
Supervisor: Prof. Pierluigi Minari

VISITING EXPERIENCE

Feb-Jun 2021 Visiting staff, Utrecht University
Supervisor: Dr. Hanno Sauer

Feb-Jun 2018 Visiting scholar, University of Leeds.
Supervisor: Prof. Pekka Väyrynen

GRANTS

- Consolidator fellowship for the project: “Il ruolo epistemologico dell’intuizione morale”. DAFIST Università di Genova (DR 3032) (2020)
- Erasmus+ traineeship scholarship (co-funded by Scuola Normale Superiore) for visiting term at University of Leeds (2018)
- Scuola Normale Superiore undergraduate scholarship (2015-2017)

PUBLICATIONS

Selected publications

1. “Moral intuition, strength, and metacognition”, *Philosophical Psychology* 36 (1): 4-28. 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09515089.2022.2027356>
2. “Experiencing the conflict: the rationality of ambivalence”, *The Journal of Value Inquiry*. 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10790-021-09859-1>
3. “Dual-Process Reflective Equilibrium: Rethinking the Interplay between Intuition and Reflection in Moral Reasoning”, *Philosophical Explorations* 24 (3): 295-311. 2021.

Other peer-reviewed publications

1. “Are moral intuitions intellectual perceptions?”, *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*. 13 (1): 31-40. 2022.
2. (with Francesco Emanuelli) “Percezione morale”, *Aphex* 22. 2020. URL: <http://www.aphex.it/index.php?Temi=557D03012202740321050401777327>
3. “Problems for Moral Particularism: Can we Really Escape General Reasons?”, *Philosophical Inquiries* 8 (2): 31-46. 2020.

Work in progress

1. “The reliability challenge to moral intuitions”, under review. <https://philpapers.org/rec/CECTRC>.
2. (1st author with S. Brantley and V. Dubljevic) “Moral judgment in realistic traffic scenarios: Moving beyond the trolley paradigm for ethics of autonomous vehicles”, under review.
3. (1st author with M. Pflanzner and V. Dubljevic) “Aligning artificial intelligence with moral intuitions: An intuitionist approach to the alignment problem”, long draft.

TALKS

Peer-reviewed Talks

1. “Moral judgment in realistic traffic scenarios: Moving beyond the trolley paradigm for ethics of autonomous vehicles”, 14th meeting for the Italian Neuroethics Society, Pisa-Lucca (Italy), May 2023.
2. “The Reliability Challenge to Moral Intuitions”, Meeting of the South Carolina Society for Philosophy, Hilton Head Island (SC), April 2023.

3. "The Reliability Challenge to Moral Intuitions", *Meeting of the North Carolina Society for Philosophy*, Durham (NC), March 2023.
4. "Moral belief under limited resources: a new argument for intuitionism?". *Annual conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy*, Noto (Italy), (2021).
5. "The metacognitive account of moral intuition". *47th Annual Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, (online, poster presentation), (2021).
6. "Experiencing the Conflict: The Rationality of Ambivalence". *University of Iowa Graduate Philosophy Society Conference*, (online). (2021).
7. "Why are emotions evaluative?". *14th Western Michigan Philosophy graduate conference*, (online), (2020).
8. "Sensibile alle ragioni. Una teoria normativa dell'intuizione morale". *Convegno nazionale dei dottorati di ricerca, Collegio Fondazione San Carlo*, (online), (2020).
9. "Intuition in Moral Reasoning: Towards a Dual Process Reflective Equilibrium". *ECAP10, 10th European congress of analytic philosophy*, Utrecht University, (online), (2020).
10. "Intuition in Moral Reasoning: An Integrated Account". *Philosophy in Progress Conference*, University of Nottingham, (2020).

Other Talks

- "Aligning artificial intelligence with moral intuitions: An intuitionist approach to the alignment problem" *work in progress seminar*, NCSU Department of Philosophy (April 2023).
- "Sensitive to Reasons: moral intuition and the dual process challenge to ethics". *NeuroComputational Ethics Research Group*, NC State University, (online), (2022).
- "The metacognitive account of moral intuition". *Moral progress reading group*, Utrecht University, (online), (2021).
- "From caring to sensitivity: the correctness of moral intuition". *FINO ethics&politics work in progress seminar*, (online), (2021).
- "Type-1 Moral Cognition: Intuition as Performance". *FINO ethics&politics work in progress seminar*, (online), (2020).
- "The Problem of Initial Credibility in Reflective Equilibrium: Reframing Intuitionism-Coherentism Debate". *FINO ethics and politics seminar*, Vercelli, (2020).

TEACHING

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| 2023 | <i>Course organizer and lecturer: "Ethics of AI: An introduction", Global Training Initiative NC State University, undergraduate level summer course (20 hours).</i> |
| 2023 | <i>Course co-organizer and lecturer: "Ethics and Autonomous Vehicles", J-term college level course, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics (24 hours). Modules on: normative ethics, metaethics, neuroethics, ethics and artificial intelligence</i> |
| 2022 | <i>Guest Lecturer: lecture on "Ethics and AI: An Introduction", undergraduate level course in Science, Mind, and Society, North Carolina State University</i> |
| 2020 | <i>Course Organizer: Graduate Reading Seminar on "Moral Perception", University of Genoa</i> |

2020 *Guest Lecturer: modules on “Moral perception”, graduate level course in Contemporary Practical Philosophy, University of Genoa*

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian: native speaker
English: C1 (written and spoken)
German: B1 (written and spoken)

REFERENCES

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