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Area of specialisation Philosophy of G. W. Leibniz and his project of *characteristica universalis*.
Area of competence Early Modern philosophy, theories of universal language, philosophy of art, Early Modern theories of aesthetics.

Education

2022–2026 **PhD in Philosophy – Vilnius University.**
Thesis on Leibniz's *characteristica universalis* in relation with the question of the faculties of the mind.
Supervisor prof. M. P. Šaulauskas (Vilnius University), consultant prof. N. Kardelis (Vilnius University).

2019–2022 **MA in Philosophy – Vilnius University.**
Thesis: G. W. Leibniz's *characteristica universalis*: intersection of diagrammatic reasoning, language and reality.
Supervisor prof. M. P. Šaulauskas (Vilnius University), consultant L. Adomaitis (Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa).

2014–2019 **BA in Philosophy – Vilnius University.**
Thesis: Analysis of P. Ricoeur's Philosophical Language of Symbols.

Visiting positions

2023 Spring **Research visit – Center for Science, Philosophy, and History SPHERE, University Paris-Cité, CNRS, Paris, France.**
Supervisor prof. David Rabouin (SPHERE, CNRS).
Funded by ERASMUS+ PhD traineeship program.

Selected publications, translations, works in progress

2025 **In preparation.** *Leibniz's Technology of Thought: the Universal Characteristic and the Faculties of the Mind.*

In review. *The Visual Monad: Leibniz's Ontological Aesthetics and Its Artistic Implications.*

2024–2028 **Translation** (French to Lithuanian). G. W. Leibniz. *New Essays on Human Understanding*. Scheduled for 2028.

2022 **Translation** (Latin to Lithuanian). G. W. Leibniz. *On the Improvement of First Philosophy and the Notion of Substance*. In: *Problemos* 2022(101): 142–146. <https://doi.org/10.15388/Problemos.101.13>

Selected talks

2025 *Leibniz's Technology of Thought: the Universal Characteristic and the Faculties of the Mind*. Sodalitas Leibnitiana. University Roma Tre, Rome, Italy. Scheduled for 1–3 07 2025.

On the technological aspects of Leibniz's universal characteristic. Seminar for PhD students of the Institute of Philosophy, Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania. Scheduled for Spring 2025.

Readings of Leibniz: Challenges and Perspectives (invited), organised by the Vilnius University Philosophy Students' Scientific Society (VU FSMD). VU Faculty of Philosophy, Vilnius, Lithuania. 20 02 2025.

2024 *The dilemma of Leibniz's universal characteristic: an instrument of science or an instrument of thought?* 14th Nordic Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy. University of Tartu, Tartu, Estonia. 28–29 09 2024.

Imagination in Leibniz's Universal Characteristic. World Congress of Philosophy. University La Sapienza, Rome, Italy. 1–8 08 2024.

Exploring the Linguistic Dimension of Leibniz's General Science: The Influence of the Universal Characteristic. The Fifteenth Biennial Congress of the International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS). University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria. 9–12 07 2024.

Imagination in Leibniz's Universal Characteristic. The Joint Congress of the Leibniz Society of North America (LSNA) and Société d'études leibniziennes de langue française (SELLF). Sorbonne University, Paris, France. 13–15 06 2024.

The role of imagination in Leibniz's characteristic universalis (online). Seminar for PhD students of the Institute of Philosophy, Vilnius University. 16 05 2024.

Imagination and Coherence of Reality in Leibniŝ's Universal Characteristic. International workshop *Mathesis*. University Paris-Cité, Paris, France. 15 05 2024.

Beyond the canvas: the artistic expression of H. Čerapas and the monadology of G. W. Leibniŝ. National scientific symposium *Monadological Landscapes: Reflections of Leibniŝ's Theory in Philosophy and Painting.* The Martynas Maŝvydas National Library of Lithuania, Vilnius, Lithuania. 14 03 2024.

Conference organisation

2025 *15th Nordic Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy*, Vilnius University, Faculty of Philosophy, Vilnius, Lithuania. 21–22 08 2025. Co-organised with Brigita Gelŝinytė (Vilnius University), Laurynas Peluritis (Vilnius University), Marius Povilas ŝaulauskas (Vilnius University).

2024 *Monadological Landscapes: Reflections of Leibniŝ's Theory in Philosophy and Painting*, national scientific symposium, the Martynas Maŝvydas National Library of Lithuania, Vilnius, Lithuania. 03 14 2024. Co-organised with Agnė Kulbytė (Vilnius Academy of Arts), prof. Marius Povilas ŝaulauskas (Vilnius University).

Barba non facit philosophum, Vilnius University Philosophy Students Scientific Conference, Faculty of Philosophy, Vilnius, Lithuania. 21–22 03 2024. Supporting role as part of the Organising Committee, organised by the Vilnius University Philosophy Student Society.

Teaching

2025 **Logic** (1st year undergraduates in Philosophy, Sociology, Psychology), seminars, supervisor prof. Jonas Dagys (Vilnius University). Starting date – 2025 October.

2023 **Contemporary Art and Philosophy** (2nd year undergraduates in Philosophy), seminars, supervisor prof. Kristupas Sabolius (Vilnius University/Massachusetts Institute of Technology).

Public philosophy

2025 **Guest editor.** *Monadological Landscapes: Reflections of Leibniŝ's Theory in Philosophy and Painting.* In: *Relevant Tomorrow*, to be published by the Martynas Maŝvydas National Library of Lithuania.

- 2024 **Exhibition curator.** Henrikas Čerapas' painting exhibition *Memorial of Papilė Cooperative Warehouse* (March 1–May 21 2024) at the Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania.
- 2023 **Article** (in Lithuanian). Čerapaitė, K. Monads and their Variety: Play of Variations in the Painting of Henrikas Čerapas. In: *Dailė/Art*, 2023(3/4): 13–19. Vilnius: Artseria.
- Article** (in Lithuanian). Čerapaitė, K. *Thresholds of Thought and Cascades of Imagination*. In: *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai* 2023(4): 32–37. Vilnius: Petro ofsetas.

Languages

Lithuanian (Native)
English (Fluent)
French (Proficient–Upper intermediate)
Italian (Intermediate)
Latin (Reading skills)

Memberships

Member of Lithuanian Philosophical Society
Member of Gottfried-Wilhelm-Leibniz-Gesellschaft
Member of Société d'Études Leibniziennes de Langue Française
Member of Leibniz Society of North America
Member of International society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)