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Curriculum Vitae

KU Leuven
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SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

AOS	History of Modern Philosophy (especially Kant and German Idealism), Philosophy of Nature, Metaphilosophy.
AOC	Early Modern Philosophy, History and Philosophy of Science, Environmental Philosophy.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2025 – present	Research Associate at KU Leuven attached to the project *Responses to Newton's Mathematical-Experimental Paradigm in Eighteenth-Century Philosophy* (60%) / Teaching Position at the University of Groningen (40%)
2025	Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) at KU Leuven (60%) / Teaching Position at the University of Groningen (40%)
2024 – 2025	Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) at KU Leuven.
2022 – 2024	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship at KU Leuven with a secondment at the University of Cambridge.
2021 – 2022	KU Leuven Postdoctoral Mandate (PDM).
2019 – 2021	Alexander von Humboldt Postdoctoral Fellowship at LMU Munich and the Schelling Commission of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences.
2018 – 2019	Postdoctoral Fellow of the Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES) at the Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG).

EDUCATION

2013 – 2017	PhD in Philosophy. Université Catholique de Louvain. Supervisor: Marc Maesschalck.
2011 – 2013	MA in Philosophy. Erasmus Mundus Europhilosophie, Université de Toulouse, Charles University (Prague), and Université Catholique de Louvain. Supervisor: Gilbert Gérard.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022 – 2025	Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship – Research Foundation Flanders (FWO). Host: Prof. Karin de Boer, KU Leuven (two years of unpaid leave to carry out the Marie Skłodowska-Curie project).
2022 – 2024	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship (MSCA). Host: Prof. Karin de Boer, KU Leuven, with a secondment at the University of Cambridge.
2021 – 2022	KU Leuven Postdoctoral Mandate (PDM). Host: Prof. Karin de Boer.
2019 – 2021	Alexander von Humboldt Postdoctoral Fellowship. Host: Prof. Ives Radrizzani, LMU Munich and Schelling Commission of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences.
2018 – 2019	Postdoctoral Fellowship. Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES). Host: Prof. Giorgia Cecchinato, Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil.
2013 – 2017	PhD Fellowship. Fonds Spécial de la Recherche (FSR). Université Catholique de Louvain.
2011 – 2013	MA Fellowship from the European Commission – Erasmus Mundus Europhilosophie.

RESEARCH STAYS

2025	Academic Visitor to the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Cambridge. Host: Prof. Hasok Chang.
2024	Academic Visitor to the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Cambridge. Host: Prof. Angela Breitenbach.
2015 and 2016	Visiting Fellow, Osaka University (1 month and 3 weeks).

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

2018	*La philosophie comme Wissenschaftslehre – le projet fichtéen d'une nouvelle pratique du savoir*. Hildesheim / Zurich / New York: Georg Olms – Europaea Memoria.

Edited Volumes

2025	*The Concept of Nature in Classical German Philosophy* (Berlin: De Gruyter).
Under Contract	*German Idealism and the Question of Colonialism*, co-edited with Pavel Reichl (under contract with Routledge).

Special Issue

Proposal accepted	Philosophy of Science in German Idealism. In *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, co-edited with Dalia Nassar (in preparation).

Peer-reviewed Articles

Forthcoming	Schelling's Metaphysical Foundations of the Experimental Sciences. In *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, manuscript accepted.
Forthcoming	The Environmental Stakes of a Controversy Between Fichte and Schelling. In *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, manuscript accepted.
2025	A Missing Link between Kant and Fichte: Ernst Platner's Role in the Genesis of Fichte's Genetic Method. In *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 63 (3): 429–452.
2025	The Key Role of Chemistry in Schelling's Early Philosophy of Nature. In *European Journal of Philosophy* 33 (3): 958–973.
2024	The Importance of Kant's Schematism for Schelling's Project of a Philosophy of Nature. In *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 106 (1): 79–105.
2022	La réévaluation fichtéenne du réalisme à la lumière de son échange épistolaire avec Schelling. In *Fichte-Studien* 51 (2): 266–284.
2021	Nature at the Core of Idealism – the Birth of Two Strands of Post-Kantian Philosophy. In *Idealistic Studies* 51 (1): 27–49.
2020	Fichte et la puissante impuissance du langage. In *Archives de Philosophie* 83 (1): 19–32.
2020	From Pure Reason to Human Spirit – Fichte's Philosophical Exploration of a New Semantic Field. In *Revista Filosófica de Coimbra* 29 (57): 89–106.
2020	Ernst Platner e a história pragmática da alma. In *Revista Dois Pontos* 17 (1): 77–87.
2020	Only Anthropophagy Unites Us – Oswald de Andrade's Decolonial Project. In *Cultural Studies* 34 (1): 122–142.
2020	A nova Revolução Copernicana – quando o Eu, o Outro e o Todo são outros. In *Cuadernos de Filosofía Latinoamericana* 41 (122): 17–38.
2018	Knowing, Creating and Teaching – Fichte's Conception of Philosophy as Wissenschaftslehre. In *Fichte-Studien* 46: 249–267.
2018	A deutsche Nation e a Razão Tupiniquim – o pensamento vivo diante do conceito estéril. In *Trans/Form/Ação* 41 (4): 53–74.
2018	La pertinence contemporaine de la théorie fichtéenne de la reconnaissance. In *AUC Interpretationes – Studia Philosophica Europeanea* 8 (1): 27–48.

2017 La matrice juridique et révolutionnaire de la pensée kantienne. In *Kriterion: Revista de Filosofia* 58 (138): 653–672.

2016 Le voyageur et le pouvoir magique – une étude de la Wissenschaftslehre. In *AUC Interpretationes – Studia Philosophica Europeanea* 6 (1–2): 55–71.

2015 La pensée nomade et les ontologies cachées. Eduardo Viveiros de Castro face à la pensée régulatrice. In *AUC Interpretationes – Studia Philosophica Europeanea* 5 (1): 37–58.

Invited Article

Forthcoming Schelling's Conception of Chemistry as a Science of Becoming. In *Review for the Society of German Idealism and Romanticism*.

Book Chapters

Forthcoming Ernst Platner's Pragmatic History of Metaphysics. In *Early Post-Kantian Historiography of Philosophy*, edited by Karin de Boer, Pavel Reichl, and Manuel Tangorra. Berlin: De Gruyter.

Forthcoming Metaphilosophische Positionen: Friedrich Wilhelm Joseph Schelling (with Jelscha Schmid). In *Handbuch Metaphilosophie*, edited by M. Lewin and D. Minkin. Heidelberg: Metzler.

2026 Metaphilosophische Positionen: Johann Gottlieb Fichte. In *Handbuch Metaphilosophie*, edited by M. Lewin and D. Minkin. Heidelberg: Metzler. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-69683-5_18-1

2026 Kant in Südamerika. In *Handbuch Kantianismus*, edited by J. Noller: 1–12. Heidelberg: Metzler. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-476-06013-6_69-1

2026 Lauth, Kant und der Kampfplatz endloser Streitigkeiten. In *Die Theorie des philosophischen Arguments – Rekonstruktion und Kritik von Reinhard Lauths Transzendentalphilosophie*, edited by I. Radrizzani and M. Ivaldo: 70–88. Berlin: De Gruyter.

2025 From Kant to Schelling: Metaphysics of Nature and the Rise of Modern Science. In *The Concept of Nature in Classical German Philosophy*, edited by L. F. Garcia: 135–155. Berlin: De Gruyter.

2025 Introduction: The Resurgence of Classical German Natural Philosophy. In *The Concept of Nature in Classical German Philosophy*, edited by L. F. Garcia: 1–17. Berlin: De Gruyter.

2025 Ernst Platner. In *Fichte-Handbuch. Leben – Werk – Wirkung*, edited by M. D'Alfonso, A. Falduto, and C. Klotz: 589–592. Baden-Baden: Nomos.

2024 Why Schelling Now? In *I – Image – Being*, edited by F. Ferraguto and G. Cecchinato: 89–102. Hildesheim: Georg Olms.

2023 Schelling and Röschlaub on the Concept of Life – at the Crossroads between Philosophy and Medicine. In *Philosophy, Medicine, and their Historical Relations*, edited by W. Euler and A. Grzeliński: 217–240. Toruń: Nicolaus Copernicus University Press.

2022 A filosofia como acontecimento cultural. In *Diálogos Filosóficos*, edited by F. Valdério, J. Roberto, L. Ruivo, and L. Magno: 61–74. Pelotas: UFPel.

2020 Filosofia e Antropofagia: Em busca de nosso centro de gravidade. In *IV Colóquio Pensadores Brasileiros*, edited by P. Margutti: 29–54. Porto Alegre: Editora Fi.

2020 Notas para uma leitura filosófica do Manifesto Antropófago. In *Filosofia e Literatura: para uma sobrevivência da crítica*, edited by M. Araújo, K. Bresolin, and H. Ribeiro: 63–89. Pelotas: UFPel.

2017 Die Inszenierung des Subjekts. Für eine Neubewertung unserer philosophischen Erbschaft. In *Unzugänglichkeit des Selbst. (Interkulturelle) Perspektiven auf die Subjektivität*, edited by F. Gurjanov: 19–44. Nordhausen: Traugott Bautz.

Dictionary Entry

2020 Oswald de Andrade / Anthropophagy. In *ODIP: The Online Dictionary of Intercultural Philosophy (2020)*, Thorsten Botz-Bornstein (ed.), URL = www.Odiphilosophy.com/Anthropophagy.

Translations with Introduction and Notes

2020 Schelling, F. W. J. *Exposição do meu Sistema da Filosofia*. Orig.: *Darstellung meines Systems der Philosophie*. São Paulo: Clandestina.

2020 Schelling, F. W. J. *Preleções Privadas de Stuttgart*. Orig.: *Stuttgarter Privatvorlesungen*. São Paulo: Clandestina.

Book Reviews

2023 Jelscha Schmid, ‘The methods of metaphilosophy: Kant, Maimon, and Schelling on how to philosophize about philosophy’. In *Fichte-Studien* 52: 303–309.

2022 Michael Lewin, ‘Das System der Ideen: Zur perspektivistischen Begründung der Vernunft im Anschluss an Kant und Fichte’. In *Kantian Journal* 41 (2): 148–158.

2021 Karin de Boer, ‘Kant’s Reform of Metaphysics – The Critique of Pure Reason Reconsidered’. In *Studia Kantiana* 19 (1): 121–129.

TEACHING

Unless otherwise indicated, sole instructor responsible for course design, teaching, and assessment.

2027	BA Course, *Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: A Revolution in the Way of Thinking* at the University of Groningen (scheduled).
2027	MA Course, *Kant's Critique of the Power of Judgment: Finding the Universal for the Particular* at the University of Groningen (scheduled).
2026 – 2027	BA Seminar, Bachelor's Paper with Seminar: *Metaphysics and Philosophy of Culture* at KU Leuven (year-long course, ongoing).
2026	MA Course, *Geography in Kant and German Idealism* at the University of Groningen (ongoing).
2026	BA Course, *Hegel's Conception of Spirit in the Phenomenology of Spirit* at the University of Groningen.
2026	BA Course, History of Philosophy (Minor), co-taught with Laura Georgescu at the University of Groningen.
2026	BA Course, Philosophical Thinking (Minor), co-taught with Titus Stahl and Barteld Kooi at the University of Groningen.
2025	MA Course, *Schelling's Project of a Philosophy of Nature* at the University of Groningen.
2025	BA Course, *Hegel's Conception of Philosophy in the Phenomenology of Spirit* at the University of Groningen.
2025	BA Course, History of Philosophy (Minor), co-taught with Laura Georgescu at the University of Groningen.
2025	BA Course, Philosophical Thinking (Minor), co-taught with Marc Pauly, Titus Stahl, and Barteld Kooi at the University of Groningen.
2025	BA Course, Late Modern Philosophy: *Transformations of Metaphysics from Kant to Nietzsche* at KU Leuven.
2024	MA Course, Metaphysics: *The Question of Objectivity in the Critique of Pure Reason and the Critique of the Power of Judgment*, co-taught with Karin de Boer at KU Leuven.
2024	BA Course, Early Modern Philosophy: *Modern Science and New Worldviews* at KU Leuven (in Dutch).
2023	BA Seminar, Early Modern Philosophy: *Empirical Approaches to the Human Mind* at KU Leuven (in Dutch).
2022	MA Course, Metaphysics: *Kant and Fichte on Transcendental Philosophy*, co-taught with Karin de Boer at KU Leuven.
2021	BA Seminar, Late Modern Philosophy: *Classical German Philosophy and the Environmental Challenge* at KU Leuven.

2021	Advanced Seminar (BA and MA): *The Concept of Nature in German Idealism* at LMU Munich (in German).
2020	Advanced Seminar (BA and MA): *French Phenomenology and the Doctrine of Intersubjectivity*, co-taught with Ives Radrizzani at LMU Munich (in German).
2019	BA Seminar, Late Modern Philosophy: *The Concept of Spirit in German Idealism* at UFMG (in Portuguese).
2019	BA Course, Topics of Philosophy of Culture: *Hegelian Dialectics and its Reception by the Brazilian Anthropophagic Movement* at UFMG (in Portuguese).
2019	BA Course, Topics of Political Philosophy: *Introduction to Latin-American Decolonial Philosophy* at UFMG (in Portuguese).
2018	BA Course, Topics of Metaphysics: *Five Concepts of Philosophy from Five Different Geographical Contexts* at UFMG (in Portuguese).
2015	BA Course, Philosophy of Social Sciences: *Human Sciences as a Critique of Modernity*, co-taught with Fabio Bruschi, Délia Popa, and Gabor Tverdota at the Université Catholique de Louvain (in French).

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND LECTURE SERIES

Continuous	*Leuven Seminar in Classical German Philosophy* (Spring 2022 – present). Lecture Series co-organized with Karin de Boer, Matthew Delhey, and Ioanna Bartsidi.
2025	*Leuven Kant Conference 2025: Kant's Metaphilosophy*. Co-organized with Henny Blomme and Leone Zellini at KU Leuven, May 29–31.
2025	*History and Philosophy of Environmental Thought*. Organized at KU Leuven, March 28–29.
2024	*Virtual Kant Congress with a Cosmopolitan Purpose*. Co-organized with Andrew Chignell, Karin de Boer, and Alexander Quanbeck. Series of online talks taking place throughout 2024 to mark the 300th anniversary of Kant's birth.
2023	*German Idealism and the Question of Colonialism*. Co-organized with Pavel Reichl at KU Leuven, February 24–25.
2022	*Synthesis and Construction in Classical German Philosophy*. Organized at LMU Munich, November 11–12.
2022	*Leuven Kant Conference 2022: The Early Reception of Kant's Critical Philosophy*. Co-organized with Karin de Boer, Pavel Reichl, and Pierpaolo Betti at KU Leuven, May 26–28.

2021 *International Conference: The Concept of Nature in German Idealism*. Organized at LMU Munich, April 8–10.

TALKS (2021–2026)

Invited Talks

Forthcoming La *Naturphilosophie* comme interprétation de la science : Schelling et la découverte de l'induction magnétique par Faraday. **Invited talk** at the workshop *Les aventures posthumes de la Naturphilosophie* at the University of Strasbourg, November 20.

2026 From Purposiveness to Responsiveness: A Shift in Emphasis in the Conception of Organisms from Kant to Schelling. **Invited talk** at the workshop *Classical German Philosophy in Dialogue with the Life Sciences* at Radboud University, June 23.

2026 Maimon on Kant's Metaphysical Deduction of the Categories. **Invited talk** at the book launch of Timothy Franz's translation of Maimon's *Essay on a New Logic or Theory of Thinking*, at the *Leuven Seminar in Classical German Philosophy*, March 12.

2026 Expanding the Subject and Limiting the Human: Schelling's Potential Contribution to Environmental Ethics. **Invited talk** at the conference *Biocentrism, Anthropocentrism, Ecocentrism: Conceptions of Nature in Classical German Philosophy* at the University of Naples, February 23.

2026 Schelling's Metaphysical Foundations of the Experimental Sciences. **Invited talk** at Ulrich Schlosser's advanced seminar (Oberseminar) at the University of Tübingen, January 29.

2025 Schelling's Hypothesis of the Self-Construction of Matter. **Invited talk** at the conference *Construction and Experiment: Post-Kantian philosophical method and the sciences* at the University of Heidelberg, September 1–4.

2025 Das System der Welt in Schellings früher Naturphilosophie. **Invited talk** at the conference *System der Welt – Welt der Systeme: Internationaler Kongress zu Schellings 250. Geburtstag* at the Bavarian Academy of Sciences in Munich, June 11–13.

2024 Ernst Platner: From the Pragmatic History of the Mind to the Pragmatic History of Philosophy. **Invited talk** at the conference *Kantian and Post-Kantian Historiographies of Philosophy (1781-1828)* at KU Leuven, Dec. 12–13.

2024 Reinhard Lauths Begriff der Philosophie. **Invited talk** at the *Tagung zu Ehren von Reinhard Lauth – in Vorbereitung auf den Sammelband „Theorie des philosophischen Arguments"* at LMU Munich (online), October 4.

2023 Schelling and the Chemical Revolution. **Invited talk** at the online lecture series *Global Classes* organized by the Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná and the University of Ferrara, October 26.

2023 Schellings Hypothese der höheren Physik. **Invited talk** at the conference *Schellings Naturphilosophie und ihre Aktualität* at the University of Tübingen, June 26–28.

2022 La querelle entre Fichte et Schelling à la lumière du débat écologique. **Invited talk** at the *Journée d'étude sur Schelling et Fichte (1794–1800)* at the University of Paris X Nanterre, April 22.

2022 Schelling's Dynamical Account of Matter in light of his Engagement with Chemistry. **Invited talk** at the Colloquium *Filosofías de la naturaleza en el idealismo alemán* at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), March 23.

2021 A Dynamical Concept of Matter: The Kantian Source of Schelling's Philosophy of Nature. **Invited talk** at the *Leuven Seminar in Classical German Philosophy* (online) at KU Leuven, April 22.

Conference Presentations

2025 What is Transcendental Philosophy According to Kant? *Leuven Kant Conference 2025: Kant's Metaphilosophy* at KU Leuven, May 29–31.

2025 Schelling's Epistemology of Environmental Thought. *History and Philosophy of Environmental Thought* at KU Leuven, March 28–29.

2024 Fichte's Metaphysical Deduction of the Categories. *The Sixteenth Biennial Meeting of The North American Fichte Society* at University College London, June 15.

2024 From Chemistry to Biology: Schelling's Attempt at a Metaphysics of Modern Science. *Early Career Work in Progress Workshop* at the University of Cambridge, June 14.

2023 From Knowledge of History to the History of Knowledge: Postcolonial Approaches to German Idealism. *German Idealism and the Question of Colonialism* at KU Leuven, February 24–25.

2022 Between Synthesis and Construction. Schelling's Philosophical Engagement with Chemistry. *Synthesis and Construction in Classical German Philosophy* at LMU Munich, November 11–12.

2022 Fichte und Pestalozzi: Transzendentalphilosophie als Bildungssystem. *Fichte-Kongress Leipzig 2022* at the University of Leipzig, September 28 – October 1.

2022 Ernst Platner's History of the Mind: An Underappreciated Link between Kant and Fichte. *Leuven Kant Conference* 2022 at KU Leuven, May 26–28.

2021 Der zweite Pantheismus-Vorwurf. *Online-Tagung: F. W. J. Schelling: Über das Wesen der menschlichen Freiheit und die damit zusammenhängenden Gegenstände (Freiheitsschrift)* at IUC-Dubrovnik, May 3–5.

2021 Schelling and the Need for a Metaphysics of Nature. *Online International Conference: The Concept of Nature in German Idealism* at LMU Munich, April 9.

DOCTORAL COMMITTEES AND THESIS SUPERVISIONS

Doctoral Committees

2026 – ongoing Member of the doctoral advisory committee of Suellen Godoi at Western Paraná State University.

2026 Member of the examination committee for Federico Dal Barco's PhD thesis at Vita-Salute San Raffaele University.

Master's Supervision

2026 – ongoing Ninghao Li (on Fichte's philosophical method)

2025 – 2026 Diego de Nardi (on Hegel's conception of the cunning of reason)

2025 – 2026 Filippos Harlaftis (on Kant and Newton)

2024 – 2025 Papuna Jilavdari (on Kant's conception of the manifold)

2024 – 2025 Oscar Amcoff (on Schelling's conception of individuation)

2024 – 2025 Youjia Guo (on Schelling's concept of evil)

2023 – 2024 Khaya Klanot (on Fichte's concept of nature)

2023 – 2024 Shahab Vesalimahmoud (on Kant's and Fichte's methods)

2022 – 2023 Derek Burfoot (on Hegel's *Phenomenology of Spirit*)

2022 – 2023 Zhunlin Dai (on Hegel's philosophy of nature)

2022 – 2023 Paulo Peña (on Fichte's concept of drive)

2022 – 2023 Pelin Ünen (on Hegel's aesthetics)

2022 – 2023 Peter Wilson (on Novalis' concept of philosophy)

Bachelor's Supervision

2026 – 2027 Supervision of 14 BA papers at KU Leuven (Bachelor's Paper with Seminar, ongoing).

2025 – 2026 3 BA theses at the University of Groningen.

SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

Ongoing	Referee, in some cases multiple times, for: Mind; De Gruyter (book proposal); Springer (book proposal); Hegel Bulletin; Studi Kantiani; Fichte-Studien; Journal of Spinoza Studies; Environmental Ethics; Open Philosophy; Exchanges; Symphilosophie; Tijdschrift voor Filosofie; Klesis Revue Philosophique.
2023 – 2026	Member of five selection committees (two PhD and three postdoctoral positions) for the research project *Responses to Newton's Mathematical-Experimental Paradigm in Eighteenth-Century Philosophy* (ReNew18), KU Leuven.
2022 – 2025	Representative of assisting academic staff (postdoc and PhD) at KU Leuven in departmental and program committees.

LANGUAGES

English: Advanced reading, writing, and speaking
German: Advanced reading, writing, and speaking
French: Advanced reading, writing, and speaking
Portuguese: mother tongue
Spanish: Advanced reading and speaking; intermediate writing
Dutch: Advanced reading; upper-intermediate speaking; intermediate writing
Italian: Advanced reading