

DR. HOLDEN M. RASMUSSEN–CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

PhD Newcastle University, Philosophy

October 2021–June 2025

- ❖ Thesis: ‘Thresholds of Psychoanalysis and Inner Experience: The Ontology of Relation and Limit after Georges Bataille and Jacques Lacan’
- ❖ Supervisors: Dr. Lorenzo Chiesa, Dr. Adam Potts

MA University of Warwick, Continental Philosophy

October 2018–August 2019

- ❖ **Distinction with Honours**
- ❖ Dissertation: ‘In Knots for Naught: The Opacity of Desire in Michel Foucault and Jacques Lacan’
- ❖ Supervisor: Dr. Miguel de Beistegui

BSc Westminster University (Salt Lake City), Philosophy

August 2014–May 2018

- ❖ **First Class degree (US equivalent)–Graduated with Honors Certificate from Westminster Honors College**
- ❖ Thesis: ‘Discontent with Humanism: A Subject for Postmodern Philosophy’
- ❖ Advisor: Dr. Kara Barnette

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Newcastle University, 26 January 2026–31 July 2026 (Fixed-Term 0.5 FTE contract covering maternity leave)

- ❖ As module leader on PHI1011 (Introduction to Moral Philosophy): designed module handbook, delivered content, designed and marked assessments, and managed module VLE
- ❖ As module leader and personal tutor on PHI1004 and PHI2004 (Project): provided personal tuition, research supervision, and pastoral guidance for 28 students working on annual projects in Stages 1 and 2 of the undergraduate degree programme
- ❖ As module leader for PHI3023 (Project Presentations): designed and delivered skills-based learning workshops, designed assessments for Stage 3 students organising and presenting at an undergraduate research conference
- ❖ As module leader: designed, instructed, and assessed PARTNERS Academic Summer School modules in 2026 for under-privileged students seeking university entrance grade compensation
- ❖ Incorporated AI-robust, live, oral examinations in PHI2004 and PHI3023
- ❖ Delivered assessment feedback and marks during term-time and the examination period on-time and thoroughly
- ❖ Participated in Board of Studies, Learning and Teaching Committee meetings, and Board of Examiners proceedings

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Philosophy, Newcastle University,
October 2021–January 2025

- ❖ Provided seminar teaching and assessment evaluation for modules on early modern metaphysics, epistemology, political philosophy, existentialism, and contemporary aesthetics
- ❖ Designed, instructed, and assessed PARTNERS Academic Summer School modules in 2022 for under-privileged students seeking university entrance grade compensation
- ❖ module on politics and aesthetics for under-privileged students seeking university entrance grade compensation

Adjunct Lecturer, Westminster College, Department of Philosophy
August 2020–May 2021

Department Chair: Prof. Nicholas D. More

- ❖ Designed and taught introductory courses on phenomenology, ancient and modern materialisms, and moral philosophy

Assistant Speech & Debate Coach, Brighton High School, Sandy, Utah
August 2017–July 2018

- ❖ Taught high school students how to prepare arguments for oral presentation

FUNDING, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND ACCOLADES

Northern Bridge Doctoral Training Programme Research Award (Arts & Humanities Research Council of the United Kingdom)

Autumn 2021–March 2025

- ❖ Funding for tuition fees and living expenses for part of the duration of a doctoral research project and course at Newcastle University

Arts & Humanities Research Council Large Grant

October 2023–December 2023

- ❖ Funding for a visiting researcher position at the Institute of Philosophy, ZRC SAZU (The National Academy of Slovenian Arts & Sciences), Ljubljana

Arts & Humanities Research Council Small Grants

Multiple from October 2021–June 2024

- ❖ Various grants funding training opportunities and event organisation costs during the doctoral training period (approx. £1,000 in total)

Fulbright Finalist for the US-UK Partner Award to the University of Warwick

October 2018–September 2019

- ❖ Competition accolades for research project development at the University of Warwick as part of US State Department Fulbright Fellow funding scheme

Outstanding Senior in Philosophy

May 2018

Honors Independent Summer Research Grant

Summer 2017

Gore Independent Summer Research Grant

Summer 2016

PUBLICATIONS

“‘We Are Us But Not Quite’”: Fanon’s Transvaluation of Group Psychology’, *Psychoanalysis, Culture & Society*, forthcoming 2026

‘Another Body, Another Fantasy: Ambivalence, Drive, and the Letter in Freud’s “‘A Child is Being Beaten’”, *Filozofski vestnik*, January 2026

English translations of Jacques Nassif’s ‘The Logic of Fantasy in “‘A Child Is Being Beaten’” and ‘Freud and Science’, *Filozofski vestnik*, January 2026

‘Georges Bataille between General Economy and General Psychology’, *Problemi*, translated into Slovenian as ‘Georges Bataille na robovih obče ekonomije in obče psihologije’ by Dr. Tadej Troha to introduce debut Slovenian translations of essays by Georges Bataille, September 2024

‘Dialectic of the Limit: Knowledge, Truth, Thinking, and Being after Bataille and Lacan’, *Filozofski vestnik*, December 2023, [10.3986/fv.44.3.02](https://doi.org/10.3986/fv.44.3.02)

‘Review of *Pleasure Erased: The Clitoris Unthought* by Catherine Malabou’, *Hypatia*, FirstView 2023, 10.1017/hyp.2023.89

‘Book Review Essay: The Limits and Gifts of Psychoanalysis, on *On Freud* by Elvio Fachinelli’, [European Journal of Psychoanalysis](https://doi.org/10.1017/hyp.2023.89), 2022

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

Workshop Roundtable, ‘A Collective Scream: The Invocatory Dimension of Colonial Suffering Recorded in Frantz Fanon’s *The Wretched of the Earth*’, Amsterdam Psycho-Politics Workshop (University of Amsterdam), June 2026

Paper Presentation, ‘Another Body, Another Fantasy: From Perversions through Fantasy to Psychosexuality’, To Be Continued?...: Philosophy and Psychoanalysis, Part III (ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana) April 2025, https://youtu.be/Mi8kwYXB9Jk?si=5ZZIMnXNO11_nUFT

Paper Presentation, “‘We Are Us but Not Quite’”: Frantz Fanon and the Transvaluation of Group Psychology’, The Unconscious in the Wake of Frantz Fanon and Édouard Glissant: A Symposium (Newcastle University), November 2024

Paper Presentation, ‘On Writing, Psychosis, and Relation’, To Be Continued?...: Philosophy and Psychoanalysis, Part II (ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana), April 2024, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sad1Z_3N6_8

Lecture & Seminar Series, Visiting Researcher, Institute of Philosophy, ZRC SAZU

Paper Presentation, ‘The Sound of Death Philosophy: Lacan, Bataille, and Anxiety’, Annual Society of European Philosophy Conference (Newcastle University), September 2022

Paper Presentation, ‘The Signs of Logic: The Philosophical Challenge Posed by Stephane Mallarmé’s *Un coup de dés*’, Centre for Nineteenth Century Studies Interdisciplinary PGR Conference (Durham University), March 2022

Paper Presentation, ‘Discontent with Humanism: A Subject for Postmodern Philosophy’, Undergraduate Research Fair (Westminster University [Salt Lake City]), 2018

Paper Presentation, ‘Of Chthonic Things: Mourning, Melancholia, and Hatred’, Honors Independent Summer Research Symposium (Westminster University [Salt Lake City]), 2018

Paper Presentation, ‘Progress and the Profane: The Problem of Reproducible Activism’, Undergraduate Research Fair (Westminster University [Salt Lake City]), 2016

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Conference & Symposia Organisation:

- ❖ Directed undergraduate students organising an annual research conference as a component of ‘Project Presentations’ module at Newcastle University
- ❖ Symposium on the Unconscious, Colonialism, Political Philosophy, and the Works of Frantz Fanon and Édouard Glissant, October 2024
- ❖ To Be Continued?...: Philosophy and Psychoanalysis Today, Part II, international conference on the intersection between philosophy and psychoanalysis, April 2023
- ❖ Warwick Continental Philosophy Conference, May 2019

Service Positions:

- ❖ Faculty-PGR Committee Representative for the Department of Philosophy, Newcastle University, September 2021–September 2022
- ❖ Postgraduate Representative for the University of Warwick Philosophy Department’s Welfare and Equality Committee, 2018–2019
- ❖ Postgraduate Representative for the University of Warwick Philosophy Department’s Student-Staff Liaison Committee, 2018–2019.
- ❖ Student Honors Council Vice-President for Westminster Honors College, 2016–2018

REFERENCES

References available upon request.