

# Mayo Pinto Candenás

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## Current Position

1. Predoctoral Research Fellow (FPU) at the Complutense University of Madrid, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Laura Nuño de la Rosa García.
2. Undergraduate Student in Psychology at the National University of Distance Education (UNED) (2024–present).

## Languages

English:

- *Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) with an overall score of 202 (Grade A) (10/12/2022).*
  - *Speaking: upper-intermediate to advanced level.*
  - *Listening: advanced level.*
  - *Writing: advanced level.*
  - *Reading comprehension: advanced level.*

## Academic Activity

Education

1. Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy, University of Seville, final GPA: 9.62/10 (2015–2023).
2. University-Specific Master's Degree in Science and Philosophy, Complutense University of Madrid, final grade: 10/10 (2023–2024).
3. Master's Degree in Epistemology of the Natural and Social Sciences, Complutense University of Madrid (2023–2025).

4. Undergraduate Student in Psychology, National University of Distance Education (UNED) (2024–present).

#### Academic Distinctions

1. Departmental Teaching Assistant (*Research assistant*) in the Department of Metaphysics and Contemporary Currents of Philosophy, Ethics, and Political Philosophy, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Carla Carmona (2021/2022).

#### Publications

1. “Testimonial Injustice, Epistemic Trust, and Psychopathology: The Case of Borderline Personality Disorder.” In B. Laspra & J. Suárez (Eds.), *Proceedings of the XI Congress of the Society of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science* (Oviedo, July 16–19, 2024) (pp. 302–304). University of Oviedo.  
Link: <https://dialnet.unirioja.es/servlet/libro?codigo=987534>
2. “Epistemic Injustices in the Context of Borderline Personality Disorder.” Bachelor’s Thesis for the Degree in Philosophy, University of Seville, awarded with Highest Honors (10/10), supervised by Prof. Dr. Carla Carmona Escalera (20/07/2023).  
Link: <https://hdl.handle.net/11441/151739>
3. “Mental Disorder as Natural Dysfunction: A Pluralist Approach from Theories of Biological Function.” Master’s Thesis for the University-Specific Master’s Degree in Science and Philosophy, Complutense University of Madrid, awarded with Highest Honors (10/10), supervised by Prof. Dr. Laura Nuño de la Rosa García (18/09/2024).
4. “The Functionality of Psychiatric Disorders: A Proposal for Pluralist Integration.” Master’s Thesis for the Master’s Degree in Epistemology of the Natural and Social Sciences, Complutense University of Madrid, awarded with Honors (*Matrícula de Honor*, 10/10), supervised by Prof. Dr. Laura Nuño de la Rosa García (06/06/2025).

5. Review of: Kitcher, P. & Barker, G. (2024). *Philosophy of Science: A New Introduction*. Madrid: Guillermo Escolar Editor, 286 pp. Published in *Revista de Filosofía*, Vol. 50, No. 2 (2025). <https://doi.org/10.5209/resf.102368>
6. Pinto-Candenas, M. & Nuño de la Rosa, L. (2026). The Functional Ambivalence of Mental Symptoms: Organizational and Temporal Dimensions of Dysfunction in Enactive Psychiatry. *Philosophical Psychology*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09515089.2026.2664667>

#### Conferences, Workshops, and Academic Events (Speaker)

1. “The Role of Medicine in the Pathologization of Intersex Realities: A Case of Hermeneutical Injustice.” International Conference *Gendered Citizenships: Paths Taken and Pending Challenges*. Faculty of Law, University of Seville. Speaker (18–19/01/2024).
2. “The Power, Threat, and Meaning Framework: A Possibility for Reconciliation between Philosophy and Psychology.” I National Conference *The Mind in Dispute: Interdisciplinary Approaches from Psychology and the Humanities*. Autonomous University of Madrid and Complutense University of Madrid. Speaker (15–17/04/2024).
3. “Mental Illness from an Evolutionary and Relational Approach to Health and Environment.” I National Conference *Contemporary Problems of Spatiality: New Perspectives from Critical Epistemologies*. Autonomous University of Madrid and Complutense University of Madrid. Speaker (13–14/06/2024).
4. “Testimonial Injustice, Epistemic Trust, and Psychopathology: The Case of Borderline Personality Disorder.” XI Congress of the Society of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science in Spain (SLMFCE). University of Oviedo. Speaker (16–19/07/2024).
5. “Implications of Epistemic Injustice in the Treatment of Borderline Personality Disorder.” XXV World Congress of Philosophy. Sapienza University of Rome. Speaker (01–08/08/2024).

6. "The Problem of Evidence in Medicine." III Conference on History and Philosophy of Science *Por amor al saber*. Faculty of Philosophy, University of Seville. Speaker (16/09/2022).
7. "Controversies in the Diagnosis of Borderline Personality Disorder." IV Conference on History and Philosophy of Science *Por amor al saber*. Faculty of Philosophy, University of Seville. Speaker (20/06/2023).
8. "New Masculinities among Philosophy Students and Research Interests." Conference *Extending the Limits of the Concept of Woman*. Faculty of Philosophy, University of Seville. Speaker (13–14/06/2023).
9. "The Iatrogenic Effects of Epistemic Injustice in Clinical Practice." XXX National Conference of the Spanish Association of Neuropsychiatry (AEN-PSM). Madrid. Speaker (06–07/06/2024).
10. "Experts-by-Experience: Epistemic Challenges and Ethical Concerns." Novatores VII Conference on Philosophy of Science and Technology. University of Salamanca. Speaker (28/02/2025).
11. "More than Disruptions of Sense-Making: Rethinking Mental Disorders from Enactive Psychiatry." VI Graduate Conference of the SLMFCE. National University of Distance Education (UNED). Speaker (23–25/06/2025).
12. "Madness-as-Strategy from an Enactivist Approach to Extreme Mental Suffering." ISHPSSB Biennial Meeting 2025. University of Porto (ICBAS). Speaker (20–25/07/2025).
13. "Beyond Disruptions of Sense-Making." EPSA25 Conference. University of Groningen. Speaker (27–30/08/2025).
14. "Dangerous Friendships: Psychic Suffering and Addictions." Critical Clinic: Debates for Rethinking Practice in Mental Health. Universidad Complutense de Madrid, organized by the Asociación Española de Neuropsiquiatría. Speaker (25/02/2026).

15. "Iatrogenic Silences: Testimonial Void, Epistemic Isolation, and Distrust in Borderline Personality Disorder." I Conference on Resisting Epistemic Violence. Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, organized by the Research Project Speak4Nature: Interdisciplinary Approaches on Ecological Justice and the Research Project The Epistemology of Responsibility in Agency-Stultifying Situations. Speaker (08/04/2026).

#### Conferences and Events (Organizer)

1. International Conference *Gendered Citizenship: Paths Taken and Pending Challenges*. Faculty of Law, University of Seville. Organizing Committee (18–19/01/2024).
2. Conference "*Nothing Can Be Said Anymore*": *Patriarchal Backlash, Nostalgia, and Possible Horizons*. Faculty of Philosophy, Complutense University of Madrid. Organizing Committee (07/05/2025).

#### Courses, Reading Groups, and Seminars

1. 2nd Workshop on Mental Health and Normativity: Metaphysics and (In)Justice. University of Granada. Attendee (5–6/10/2023).
2. Online Seminar *Power, Threat, and Meaning Framework*. Spanish Association of Neuropsychiatry. Online attendee (14, 21, 29/11/2023).
3. XX Conference of *La Otra Psiquiatría: Limits of Madness*. Río Hortega University Hospital, Valladolid. Attendee (31/05–01/06/2024).
4. Biokoinos–Metis PhD Seminar. Complutense University of Madrid and UNED. Monthly in-person attendance (2024/2025).
5. Philosophy of Science Reading Group, Biokoinos Group. Complutense University of Madrid. Biweekly in-person attendance (2024/2025).

6. Analytic Metaphysics Reading Group, Biokoinos Group. Complutense University of Madrid. Biweekly in-person attendance (2024/2025).
7. Presentation of “Teleology and Function in Non-Living Nature” by Gunnar Babcock (2023). Analytic Metaphysics Reading Group, Biokoinos. Complutense University of Madrid (07/04/2025).
8. “Psychiatric Kinds and Natural Kinds,” by Jacqueline Sullivan and Muhammad Ali Khalidi. Summer School 2025, Society for the Metaphysics of Science (26–27/06/2025).  
Link: <https://socmetsci.org/2025-summer-school>

## Fellowships, Contracts, and Projects

### Fellowships Held

1. University Teacher Training Fellowship (FPU) (2025–2029).
2. Ministry of Education and Vocational Training Collaboration Fellowship (2023).

### Fellowships Awarded

1. Predoctoral Research Fellowship, Complutense University of Madrid (2025, awarded).

### Research Projects

1. Member of the project *Metaphysics of Biology: Processes and Dispositions* (2022–2026), funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation [PID2021-127184NB-I00]. Principal Investigators: Laura Nuño de la Rosa García and María Cerezo Lallana. Link: <https://www.biokoinos.org/projects> (01/04/2025–2026).

### Research Groups

- PhD Candidate, Biokoinos Research Group. Link: <https://www.biokoinos.org/people/phd-students>

## Other Information

1. High School Diploma in Health Sciences, Colegio Aljarafe, Seville, GPA: 9.58/10 (2013–2015).
2. Author of the book *The Choreography of Glaciers*. Huelva: Apuleyo Publishing House (27/02/2017).
3. Hospital companion volunteer with the Spanish Association Against Cancer at Quirón Infanta Luisa Hospital, Seville (2021–2023).
4. Volunteer in occupational activities with AVANCE TP, Association for the Defense of Care for Personality Disorders, Seville (2023).
5. Hospital companion volunteer in the Inpatient, Treatment, and Rehabilitation Unit for Severe Mental Disorder at Clínica San Miguel, Madrid (20/10/2023–present).
6. Telephone support volunteer for older adults and collaborator with the *Grandes Vecinos* program, Association *Grandes Amigos*, Madrid (20/04/2024–present).
7. Associate member of the Spanish Association of Neuropsychiatry (15/03/2024–present).
8. Associate member of the Society of Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science in Spain (28/04/2024–present).