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Appointments

- 2025–2028 **Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Geneva**
Within the SNSF project *Metaphysics We Can Believe In*
- 2025–2026 **Postdoctoral Associate of the Oxford Philosophy Faculty**

Education

- 2022–2025 **D.Phil in Philosophy, University of Oxford, Jesus College**
Thesis: *Frege Puzzles in Metaphysical Debates*
Supervisors: Timothy Williamson, Matthew Parrott
Examiners: Nicholas Jones (Oxford); J Robert G Williams (Leeds)
- 2021–2022 **M.A. in Philosophy, Distinction, Uppsala University**
Thesis: *Amie Thomasson's Easy Ontology and Semantic Reductionism*
Supervisor: Matti Eklund
- 2018–2021 **M.A. in Philosophy, 110/110 cum laude, University of Bologna**
Thesis: *Perspectives on the Hard Problem of Consciousness*
Supervisors: Sebastiano Moruzzi, Raffaella Campaner, Matti Eklund
- 2015–2018 **B.A. in Philosophy, 110/110 cum laude, University of Bologna**
Thesis: *Teorie Filosofiche della Percezione: Questioni Normative e Lacune Esplicative*
Supervisor: Luca Guidetti

Research Areas

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind

Areas of Competence: Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind, Epistemology

Publications

- 2025 **'Is the Knowledge Argument a Frege Puzzle?'**
Canadian Journal of Philosophy, 55 (1): 99–115
- 2021 **'No Ground to Bridge the Gap'**
Synthese, 199 (3–4): 7981–7999

Scholarships and Awards

- 2026 **Young Scholar Prize, Metaphysics**
Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA)

- 2023 **Young Scholar Prize, Philosophy of Language**
Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA)
- 2023–2025 **Jesus College Graduate Scholarship**
University of Oxford
- 2022–2025 **AHRC Studentship, Full PhD funding**
Open Oxford Cambridge Doctoral Training Partnership

Talks (*peer-reviewed)

- 2026 **On Perspicuity and Reductive Metaphysical Explanation*
AMAMI—Mid-Term SIFA Conference, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
- On Objective Perspicuity and Reductive Metaphysical Explanation*
'The Limits of Objectivity' Workshop, University of Geneva
- On Perspicuity and Reductive Metaphysical Explanation*
Eidos seminar, University of Geneva
- 2025 **Against Reductive Approaches to Metaphysical Explanation*
16th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of Turin
- Against Reductive Approaches to Metaphysical Explanation*
Seminario di Filosofia Analitica, University of Bologna
- 2024 **Is the Knowledge Argument just a Frege Puzzle?*
International Society for the Philosophy of the Sciences of the Mind Annual Conference, Online
- *Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*
ENFA 9th National Meeting in Analytic Philosophy, NOVA University Lisbon
- *Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*
1st Parma Workshop in Analytic and Scientific Metaphysics, University of Parma
- *Purely Factual Definitional Disputes*
Harvard–MIT Graduate Conference, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 2023 **Verbal Disputes and Metalinguistic Disagreement*
15th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of Eastern Piedmont
- *Verbal Disputes and Metalinguistic Disagreement*
Open Minds XVI Postgraduate Conference, University of Manchester
- 2022 *Deflationism and the Problem of Consciousness*
DPhil seminar, University of Oxford
- 2021 **No Ground to Bridge the Gap*
Open Minds XV Postgraduate Conference, University of Manchester

Organisation of Conferences

- 2023 **27th Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference, University of Oxford**

Teaching

Undergraduate Classes

- 2025 **The Metaphysics and the Ethics of Consciousness**, *University of Oxford*
Series of Four Lectures
- 2024 **Philosophy of Mind**, *Merton College / Worcester College, University of Oxford*
Tutorial
- 2023 **General Philosophy**, *St Hugh's College, University of Oxford*
Teaching Assistantship
- Introduction to Logic**, *New College, University of Oxford*
Teaching Assistantship

Graduate Classes

- 2024 **Seminar on Frege Puzzles**, *University of Bologna*
Guest lecture – main lecturer: Filippo Ferrari
- Topics in Epistemology**, *University of Oxford*
Guest lecture – main lecturer: Timothy Williamson

Professional Service

Journal Referee *Argumenta*; *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*; *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*

Area Editor *Argumenta* – Philosophy of Mind

Reviewer, 27th Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference

Postgraduate Assistant for Philosophy Undergraduate Admission Interviews,
Jesus College, University of Oxford (Fall 2022)

Affiliations

Eidos Centre for Metaphysics, University of Geneva

Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA)

Association of Analytic Metaphysics in the Italian-Speaking World (AMAMI)

Aristotelian Society

Oxford Philosophy Society

Languages

Italian – Native speaker **English** – Fluent

References

Timothy Williamson

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