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Employment

06/2024-10/2027	**Doctoral student SNSF** (University of Fribourg, Switzerland)
08/2022-08/2024	**Doctoral Research Assistant (**"Diplomassistentin") at the Chair of Prof. Ralf Bader (University of Fribourg, Switzerland)
10/2019-03/2022	**Student Assistant** at the Chair of Prof. Julian Nida-Rümelin (University of Munich (LMU), Germany)

Education

09/2024-09/2025	**Lund University** Research Stay, funded by SNSF Doc.CH Mobility
2022-2027	**University of Fribourg** PhD in Philosophy, in progress Thesis: *Partiality and Moral Responses* Supervisors: Ralf Bader (supervisor), Paul Russell (co-supervisor) Expected date of defense: June 2027
2019-2022	**University of Munich (LMU)** MA in Philosophy (Grade: 1,05) Thesis: *Moral Responsibility and Artificial Intelligence* (1,0 – best possible grade) Supervisor: Julian Nida-Rümelin
2020-2021	**King's College London** Study Abroad, Postgraduate Taught
2016-2019	**University of Munich (LMU)** BA in Philosophy (Grade: 1,09) Thesis: *Pleasure and Happiness in Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics* (1,0 – best possible grade) Supervisor: Christof Rapp

Interests:

AOS: Normative Ethics, Philosophy of Emotions
AOC: Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence, Political Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy

Research publications

- Fitting Blame and the Partiality Problem. *Journal of Ethics* 30, 563–588 (2026). https://doi.org/10.1007/s10892-026-09570-y
- Attitudinal Obligations and the Control Problem. *KRITERION – Journal of Philosophy* (2026). https://doi.org/10.1515/krt-2025-0019

Work in progress

- a paper on whether we have special obligations to have certain caring attitudes and emotions toward our friends (under review)
- a paper proposing a contextualist account of fittingness of blame
- a paper on the temporality of emotions and whether the past can change (under review)

Outreach publications

- How to Forgive an Innocent: Taylor, Kanye, and the Ethics of Forgiveness, in Robb, C., Mills, G., Irwin, W. (eds.): *Taylor Swift and Philosophy. The Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series*, 58-65 (2024).
- Asymmetrie zwischen Lob und Tadel. Wenn KI die Hausaufgaben macht (The Praise-Blame Asymmetry. When AI does the homework"), *Universitas Science Magazine* of the University of Fribourg 3, 31-32 (2023).

Talks

Attitudinal Obligations and the Control Problem

- Swedish Congress of Philosophy ("Filosofidagarna"), Stockholm (refereed), June 2026
- SOPhiA Conference, Salzburg (refereed), September 2025

Do we owe our friends to care about them?

- Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Fribourg, October 2026
- Doctoral Research Seminar, Lund, October 2026
- 2nd Lund-Basel Applied Ethics Workshop, Lund, June 2025

Constitutive Attitudes and Special Obligations

- Oberseminar for Practical Philosophy, LMU Munich, January 2026
- Relational Normativity Workshop, Stuttgart (refereed), November 2025

Blaming Holistically: Fittingness of Blame and Context Dependence

- Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Fribourg, February 2026
- 1st European Moral Responsibility Consortium (EMRC) Conference, Leuven, December 2025 (refereed)

Emotional Partiality

- Partiality Workshop, University of Fribourg, March 2025

Fitting Blame and the Partiality Problem

- Higher Seminar in Practical Philosophy, Lund University, November 2024

How to Forgive an Innocent?

- Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy, University of Fribourg, September 2023

Blame and Partiality: The Influence of Interpersonal Relationships on Moral Responses

- LGRP Graduate Conference on Responsibility, Lund, April 2023 (refereed)
- Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Fribourg, April 2023
- EXRE Research Colloquium, Fribourg, April 2023
- Research Colloquium on Practical Philosophy, Bern, April 2023

Responding to Partiality: Morality and Close Personal Relationships

- Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Fribourg, November 2022

Comments

Ninni Suni: "Apology as Commitment", Lund Early Career Conference: The Language of Moral Repair, Lund, November 2024

Anna Goppel: "Wronging Friends", Workshop on Partiality, Fribourg, November 2023

Michael Haiden: "Blame, Punishment and Human Enhancement," Munich Graduate Conference in Ethics, LMU Munich, July 2022

Public Talks

Ethical challenges of Artificial Intelligence

- Digital Day, Kantonsschule Reussbühl, March 2024

Scholarships and Grants

2024-2025	Doc.CH mobility grant (SNSF) - Mobility grant for a research stay at Lund University - amount: CHF 6'480
06/2024-10/2027	Doc.CH doctoral grant, Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) - awarded to promising researchers who wish to write a dissertation in the humanities or social sciences in Switzerland - amount: CHF 208'179
2020-2021	Erasmus+ Scholarship, Study Abroad Exchange at King's College London
2018-2021	Deutschlandstipendium (German public-private scholarship)

Acquired funding for the organisation of and/or participation in events:

2026	Faculty Action fond, University of Fribourg, funding for conference participation (Swedish Congress of Philosophy) - amount: CHF 1'310
2024	CSWM Action fond, University of Fribourg, funding for the summer school "Recent Work in the Metaphysics of Ethics" - amount: CHF 1'000
2024	Funding from the *Conférence des Universités de Suisse occidentale* (CUSO) for the summer school "Recent Work in the Metaphysics of Ethics" - amount: CHF 17'010

Awards

SOPhiA 2025 Best Paper Award for the paper "Attitudinal Obligations and the Control Problem"

Teaching Experience

All courses listed were taught at University of Fribourg.

As sole instructor:

- *Free Will, Responsibility, Blame,* BA proseminar, Spring 2024
- *Text Analysis for Philosophers,* BA proseminar, Autumn 2023
- *Ethics of Artificial Intelligence,* Further Education Programme, 2023
- *Moral Responsibility,* BA proseminar, Autumn 2022

As co-instructor:

- *Theoretical Philosophy (Metaphysics and Metaethics),* Quali+ Programme: Philosophy for Non-Philosophers, 2025
- *Political Philosophy,* Quali+ Programme: Philosophy for Non-Philosophers, 2025
- *Theoretical Philosophy (Metaphysics and Metaethics),* Quali+ Programme: Philosophy for Non-Philosophers, 2023
- *Political Philosophy,* Quali+ Programme: Philosophy for Non-Philosophers, 2023
- *Theoretical Philosophy (Metaphysics and Metaethics),* Quali+ Programme: Philosophy for Non-Philosophers, 2022

Undergraduate thesis supervision:

- Simona Abdächerli, Spring 2024

Events Organised

2025, May	*The Ethics of Intimate Relationships*, Masterclass with Monika Betzler (LMU Munich), University of Fribourg
2025, March	*Partiality Workshop,* Workshop, University of Fribourg
2024, September	*Anarchy, State, and Utopia at 50,* Summer School with Ralf Bader (Fribourg) and Eric Mack (Tulane), Kandersteg
2024, August	*Recent Work in the Metaphysics of Ethics,* Summer School with Gideon Rosen (Princeton University), Crêt Bérard, Puidoux
2024, February	*Modality in Kant's Practical Philosophy*, Workshop, University of Fribourg
2023, November	*Workshop on Partiality,* University of Fribourg
2023, Spring Term	*Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy*, University of Fribourg
2022, September	*Conference: Re-examining Anarchy, State, and Utopia*, University of Fribourg
2022, Autumn Term	*Research Colloquium on Ethics and Political Philosophy*, University of Fribourg

Languages: German, English, French (reading proficiency), Latin, Ancient Greek