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## Research Areas

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AOS: Philosophy of Psychology, Philosophy of Mind  
AOC: Metaphysics, Epistemology, Philosophy of Biology, Philosophy of Science

## Employment

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- 2019 – 2024 Research Associate in Kinds of Intelligence  
Center for Science and Thought, University of Bonn &  
Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge
- 2016 – 2019 WYNG Research Fellow  
Trinity Hall, University of Cambridge

## Education

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- 2013 – 2017 University of Cambridge, PhD Philosophy (No Corrections)  
Thesis: ‘Mindreading for Animals: Psychology Without Propositional Attitudes’
- 2012 – 2013 University of Cambridge, MPhil Philosophy (Distinction)  
Thesis: ‘What the dog believed’
- 2009 – 2012 University of Cambridge, BA Philosophy (First Class)

## Prizes & Awards

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- 2019 Early Career Prize, Issues in Philosophy of Memory 2, Université Grenoble Alpes
- 2018 Annual Essay Prize of the Centre for Philosophical Psychology, University of Antwerp
- 2016 3-year Research Fellowship, Trinity Hall, University of Cambridge
- 2016 3-year Junior Research Fellowship, Corpus Christi College, University of Cambridge  
(awarded, not accepted)
- 2013 Matthew Buncombe Prize for best performance in the MPhil, Faculty of Philosophy,  
University of Cambridge
- 2012 Peterhouse Research Studentship (MPhil & PhD, full fees & funding)

## Publications

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Journal Articles:

*Forthcoming.* ‘Conjoined twinning and biological individuation.’ *Philosophical Studies*.  
*Forthcoming.* ‘The impure phenomenology of episodic memory.’ *Mind & Language*.  
2019. ‘Mapping the minds of others’. *Review of Philosophy and Psychology* 10 (4), 747-767.

2019. 'Learning from the past: epistemic generativity and the function of episodic memory'. *Journal of Consciousness Studies* 26 (5-6), 242-251. Published as Winner of the Annual Essay Prize of the Centre for Philosophical Psychology, University of Antwerp.

2018. 'Mirror self-recognition and self-identification'. *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research* 97 (2), 284-303.

Invited Chapters:

*In Preparation*. Do animals have episodic memory? *Current Controversies in Philosophy of Memory*. Routledge.

*In Preparation*. Implicit cognition in comparative psychology. *Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Implicit Cognition*. Routledge.

Other Writing:

2020. 'Do nonhuman animals have episodic memory?'. *Imperfect Cognitions*. <https://imperfectcognitions.blogspot.com/2020/03/do-non-human-animals-have-episodic.html>

2019. 'Reading minds and reading maps'. *The iCog Blog*, <https://icog.group.shef.ac.uk/reading-minds-reading-maps/>

2018. 'Can cats read minds?' *The Institute of Art & Ideas*, <https://iainews.iai.tv/articles/can-cats-read-minds-auid-1145>

2017. 'How smart is your pet?' *The Institute of Art & Ideas*, <https://iainews.iai.tv/articles/how-smart-is-your-pet-auid-910>

## Talks

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Invited Talks

May 2020 TBC. Philosophy Meets Cognitive Science Colloquium. Ruhr University Bochum.

May 2020 TBC. Popper Seminar. LSE.

April 2020 Detecting Episodic Memory in Animals: A Philosophical Perspective. Cambridge Memory Meeting, University of Cambridge.

January 2020 Episodic Memory, Scepticism and Psychological Kinds. HPS Departmental Seminar. University of Cambridge.

December 2019 Discovering the Past. Origins of Temporal Concepts. Queens University Belfast.

November 2019 Episodic Memory and the Method of Loci. Research Student Study Day, Birkbeck College, University of London

June 2019 The Benefits of Hindsight. Mind & Reason Seminar, University of York

June 2019 Discovering the Past. About Time: The De Nunc & the De Se, University of Leeds

May 2019 The Benefits of Hindsight. Memory Workshop, Centre for Philosophical Psychology, University of Antwerp

October 2018 The Impure Phenomenology of Episodic Memory. L'animalité, University of Nantes

September 2018 The Impure Phenomenology of Episodic Memory. Visiting Speaker Seminar, University of Stirling

May 2018 The Impure Phenomenology of Episodic Memory. London Mind Group, KCL/UCL

- September 2017 Two Logical Problems for Animal Mindreading. Mind Network, University of Nottingham
- April 2016 Mapping the Minds of Others. Moral Sciences Club, University of Cambridge
- July 2015 Moral Sense or Common Sense? The Evolution of Mindreading. Empathy & Interpretation Across the Disciplines (Interdisciplinary Network for Sympathy, Empathy & Imagination), University of Cambridge
- Refereed Talks
- July 2020 What is a Foetus? Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & the Mind Association, University of Kent.
- September 2019 Episodic Memories as Natural Mind Palaces. European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Athens
- July 2019 The Benefits of Hindsight. Issues in Philosophy of Memory 2, Université Grenoble Alpes
- July 2018 Dicephalus Twinning & Biological Individuation. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & the Mind Association, Oxford University
- July 2017 A New Logical Problem for Animal Mindreading. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & The Mind Association, University of Edinburgh
- July 2017 Episodic Memory, Consciousness & Behaviour. British Society for Philosophy of Science, University of Edinburgh
- July 2017 Episodic Memory, Consciousness & Behaviour. Issues in Philosophy of Memory, University of Cologne
- January 2017 False Belief & Counterfactual Thinking. New Directions in the Philosophy of Mind, University of Cambridge. (Accepted, not delivered.)
- July 2016 Mapping the Minds of Others. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & the Mind Association, Cardiff University
- July 2016 Mapping the Minds of Others. Persons as Animals Conference, Leeds University
- July 2015 'In Defence of Intentionalism about Moods. Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society & the Mind Association, University of Warwick
- Seminar Talks
- November 2018 Memory: What is it Good For? CamPoS, University of Cambridge
- October 2018 The Impure Phenomenology of Episodic Memory. Comparative Cognition Lab Group, University of Cambridge
- March 2018 Dicephalus Twinning & Biological Individuation. Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge
- June 2015 Close Encounters of the Third Kind: A Beginner's Guide. Philosophy Graduate Seminar, University of Cambridge
- November 2014 The Monkey in the Mirror. Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge
- May 2014 Self-Awareness & Self-Representation. Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge
- Commentaries
- June 2017 Comments on Cognitive Penetration: Inferentialism vs. Imaginationism?. Midsummer Philosophy Workshop, University of Leeds

August 2016

Comments on 'Exploring by Believing'. Athena in Action Workshop,  
Princeton University

## Teaching & Examining

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University of Cambridge (2014 – )

- Lectures
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Sources of Knowledge*
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Consciousness*
- One-One Supervisions
  - MPhil Coursework Supervision, *Metaphysics, Philosophy of Psychology*
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Year Undergraduate *Metaphysics*
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Metaphysics & Epistemology*
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Philosophy of Mind*
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Philosophy of Science*
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Year Undergraduate *Stoic & Epicurean Philosophy* (for Classicists)
- Discussion Group
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Year Undergraduate *Metaphysics & Ethics*
- Examining
  - MPhil Coursework
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Undergraduate *Philosophy of Mind*

University of Cambridge Summer School, (2017 – )  
Canadian International School of Hong Kong

- 15-hour pre-university level courses for 15-18 year olds: 'Theory of Knowledge', 'Mind, Brain & Behaviour', 'The Meaning of Science'

## Service & Admin

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- 2019 – Co-convenor, Kinds of Intelligence Conference, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence.
- 2019 – Co-convenor, Kinds of Intelligence reading group, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence.
- 2019 – Equality & Diversity Working Group, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence.
- 2018 – Reviewer for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Mind & Language, Philosophical Psychology* and *Phenomenology & the Cognitive Sciences*
- 2018 – 2019 Equality Working Group, Faculty of Philosophy
- 2016 – 2019 Outreach talks for visiting school groups, Trinity Hall and Corpus Christi College
- 2016 – 2019 Governing Body, Trinity Hall
- 2014 – 2019 Undergraduate Admissions interviewer (BA Philosophy; BA Psychological & Behavioural Sciences), Corpus Christi College, Sidney Sussex College, Trinity Hall
- 2014 – 2016 Co-convenor, Comparative Cognition & Philosophy of Psychology reading groups, Department of HPS
- 2014 – 2015 Co-secretary, Moral Sciences Club – organising a visiting speaker series of 20 talks

## Training

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- 2018 Graduate Student Supervision – University of Cambridge  
2016 Equality & Diversity; Implicit Bias – University of Cambridge  
2014 Admissions Selection (Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences) – University of Cambridge  
2012 Teaching & Transferrable Skills – Faculty of Philosophy

## References

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