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Research Areas

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

Employment

2019 – 2024 Research Fellow in Kinds of Intelligence
Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of
Cambridge
Center for Science and Thought, University of Bonn

2016 – 2019 WYNG Research Fellow
Trinity Hall, University of Cambridge

Education

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

2019 Early Career Conference Prize, Issues in Philosophy of Memory 2
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

Journal Articles:

Forthcoming. 'The impure phenomenology of episodic memory.' *Mind & Language*.
2020. 'Conjoined twinning and biological individuation.' *Philosophical Studies* 177 (8),
2395-2415

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.

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

Invited Talks

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| June 2020 | Classification in Comparative Cognitive Science. COGS Seminar. University of Sussex. (Online) |
| June 2020 | Classification in Comparative Cognitive Science. Philosophy of Mind Seminar. University of Oxford. (Online) |
| May 2020 | Do Animals Have Episodic Memory? Philosophy Meets Cognitive Science Colloquium. Ruhr University Bochum. (Online) |
| May 2020 | Classification in Comparative Cognitive Science. Popper Seminar. LSE. (Online) |
| April 2020 | Detecting Episodic Memory in Animals: A Philosophical Perspective. Cambridge Memory Meeting, University of Cambridge. (Online) |
| 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
York | 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. (Online)

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

University of Cambridge (2014 –)

- Lectures
 - 3rd Year Undergraduate Consciousness
 - 2nd Year Undergraduate Sources of Knowledge
- One-One Supervisions
 - MPhil Coursework Supervision, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Psychology
 - 3rd Year Undergraduate Philosophy of Mind
 - 3rd Year Undergraduate Philosophy of Science
 - 2nd Year Undergraduate Metaphysics & Epistemology
 - 1st Year Undergraduate Metaphysics
 - 1st Year Undergraduate Stoic & Epicurean Philosophy (for Classics)
- Small Group Teaching
 - MPhil Working Group, Philosophy of Cognitive Science & Biology (for HPS)
 - 1st Year Undergraduate Discussion Group, Metaphysics & Ethics
- Examining
 - MPhil (Philosophy, HPS, Psychology)
 - Undergraduate (Philosophy)

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

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

Service & Admin

2019 – Co-organiser, 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, Philosophical Studies, Synthese* 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

- 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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