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Employment

2023- Graduate Lecturer

Faculty of Law, University College London

2019- Research Assistant

Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Graz

— Chair of Ethics of Artificial Intelligence (2023-)

Faculty of Law & Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Zurich

— Chair of Applied Ethics (2019–23)

— Chair of Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law, and Criminology (2022)

— Chair of Philosophy and Theory of Law, Legal Soc., and Int. Publ. Law (2020–22)

— 'Fundamental Psychological Dispositions in Human-Robot Interactions' (2020)

Education

DEGREES

2022- **Ph.D. in Law**

University College London

Supervised by Mark Dsouza and John Hyman

2019–2021 **Master of Law**

University of Zurich

summa cum laude, Valedictorian (rank 1/215)

2015–2019 Bachelor of Law

University of Zurich

RESEARCH STAYS

2025 Yale Law School & Dpt. of Philosophy

Invited by Gideon Yaffe and Joshua Knobe (Feb-May 2025)

2023, 2025 Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law

Invited by Philipp-Alexander Hirsch (Jun-Sep 2023) and Sabine Gless (Jun-Aug 2025)

Publications

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

2025 **'Untangling the Gordian Knot of Motive'**. Forthcoming in *Journal of Legal*

Philosophy, 50(1).

— winner of ASLP Essay Prize

2024 **'The Unity of Motive'**. *Argumenta*, 9(2), pp. 231–245.

— runner-up for Young Scholar Prize

— winner of Lex Academic Prize

2023	'Causation and the Silly Norm Effect' (with M. Kneer). In S. Magen & K. Prochownik (eds.), <i>Advances in Experimental Philosophy of Law</i> (pp. 133–168). Bloomsbury Press. — runner-up for <u>William James Prize</u>	
	PEER-REVIEWED PROCEEDINGS	
2023	'Causation, Foreseeability, and Norms' (with M. Kneer). <i>Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society</i> , 45, pp. 888–895.	
	OTHER	
2024	'Criminalisation and Its Limits'. Criminal Justice Theory Blog, online Nov 15th.	
2023	'Motive and Criminal Liability'. Criminal Justice Theory Blog, online Aug 4^{th} .	
2019	'From Is to Ought: How Scientific Research in the Field of Moral Cognition Can Impact the Criminal Law'. Cognitio: Student Law Forum, 1(2), pp. 1–22.	
Teaching		
† = undergradua	te, ‡ = graduate GRADUATE LECTURER	
2023_2025 (2×)	Criminal Law †	
2023 2023 (21)	Faculty of Law, University College London	
2023–2025 (2×)	Introduction to Law † Faculty of Law, University College London — Case Study on Medical Accidents (Term 1 '24) — Case Study on Fake News and Falsehoods (Term 1 '23)	
	Co-Instructor	
Fall '21	Theory and Philosophy of Law † Faculty of Law, University of Zurich	
	Tutor	
Fall '21	Blame and Punishment † Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Zurich	
Fall '20	Theories of Morality ‡ Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Zurich	
Spring '20	Thomas Nagel's <i>The Possibility of Altruism</i> and <i>The View from Nowhere</i> † Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Zurich	
Awards	SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES	
2025	Yale-UCL Scholarship Full funding for research stay at Yale University.	

2024	ASLP Essay Prize Awarded by the Australasian Society of Legal Philosophy for best paper in legal theory.
2024	Lex Academic Prize Awarded by Lex Academic, SIFA & Argumenta for best paper in action theory and ethics.
2023	Project Development Grant Awarded by Clearer Thinking Foundation for 'Understanding Moral Luck' project.
2023	Young Scholar Prize (finalist) Runner-up for best submission in practical philosophy at the 15 th SIFA Conference.
2023, 2025	Max Planck Fellowship Full funding for research stay at the MPI for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law.
2022–2025	Graduate Research Scholarship & Overseas Research Scholarship UCL's most prestigious funding package 'awarded only to the most outstanding potential and existing research students from all departments and faculties'.
2022–2026	Hollond-Whittaker Research Studentship (declined) Full funding to study at Trinity College, University of Cambridge.
2022	Poster Prize Best poster at the 3 rd SPP and ESPP Joint Conference.
2021	Orelli Prize Biannually awarded by the Faculty of Law of UZH for an 'extraordinary thesis'.
2021	William James Prize (finalist) Runner-up for best graduate submission and talk at the 47 th SPP Annual Meeting.
2019–2020	Clinton Fellowship Awarded by ETH Zurich and Clinton Foundation for 'Urban Classroom' project.
	COMPETITIVE CONFERENCE FUNDING
2023 (4×)	Neuchâtel Action Conference (Neuchâtel); 27 th Oxford Graduate Conference in Philosophy (Oxford); 45 th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (Sydney, ceded); Philosophy and Computer Science Summer School (Bayreuth)
2020	12 th Clinton Global Initiative University Conference (Edinburgh)
Talks † = refereed, ‡ =	invited, ∇ = received comments
	PAPER PRESENTATIONS
Nov 2024 Jul 2024 May 2024	'Making Sense of Mistakes of Fact' Edinburgh Criminal Law Discussion Group, Edinburgh University † Philosophy Department Colloquium, Univ. of Erlangen-Nuremberg ‡ Criminal Law Group Brown Bag Lunch, University of Zurich ‡
Sep 2024	'The Significance of Philosophy of Action for Criminal Law' Theorising Criminal Law Workshop, University of Zurich ‡

	'Causation, Norms, and Cognitive Bias'
Jul 2024	Experimental Jurisprudence Workshop, University of Surrey ‡
	'Untangling the Gordian Knot of Motive'
Feb 2024	Edinburgh Criminal Law Discussion Group, Edinburgh University †
Feb 2024	Criminal Jurisprudence and Philosophy Group, Cambridge University †
Nov 2023	Cambridge Legal Theory Discussion Group, Cambridge University † ▽
Sep 2023	Criminal Law Department Meeting, Max Planck Institute for the Study of
	Crime, Security, and Law
	'The Unity of Motive'
Dec 2023	Neuchâtel Action Conference, University of Neuchâtel †
Nov 2023	27^{th} Oxford Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Oxford University † \triangledown
Sep 2023	15th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of
	Eastern Piedmont †
	— runner-up for <u>Young Scholar Prize</u>
Jul 2023	97 th Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association,
	Open Session, Birkbeck, University of London †
	'Closeness and Double Effect'
Sep 2022	Conference for Young Analytic Philosophy, University of Salzburg †
	'Causation, Foreseeability, and Norms'
Jul 2023	45 th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Univ. of Sydney †
Jul 2022	3 rd Joint Conference of the Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology and
	European Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology, Univ. of Milan (poster) †
	— winner of <u>Poster Prize</u>
Jul 2022	30 th International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy
E 1 2022	World Congress, SW 21, Dimitrie Cantemir Christian Univ. of Bucharest †
Feb 2022	Doctoral Students Day: Perspectives on Philosophy in Switzerland, Univ. of
	Basel (poster) †
C 2022	'Misascription of Action-Descriptions'
Sep 2022	17 th Conference of the Swiss Psychological Society, Univ. of Zurich †
Jun 2022	UK-IVR 2022 Annual Conference, University of Surrey †
Jun 2020	1st European Experimental Philosophy Conf., Charles Univ. Prague †
0	'Causation and the Silly Norm Effect'
Oct 2021	Georgetown Lab for the Empirical Study of Law and Language,
0 4 2021	Georgetown University ‡
Oct 2021	Reasons and Decisions Lab, Lake Forest College ‡
Sep 2021	28 th Conference of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Leipzig †
Δυσ 2021	Law, Language, and Philosophy Summer School, Inter-University Centre
Aug 2021	Dubrovnik
Jun 2021	47 th Annual Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology,
Juli 2021	Princeton University †
	— runner-up for <u>William James Prize</u>

Jun 2021	$2^{\rm nd}$ European Experimental Philosophy Conf., Charles Univ. Prague \dagger	
May 2021	'Action, Intention, and Double Effect' Values and Reasons Research Colloquium, University of Zurich	
May 2020	'Anscombe, Davidson, and Criminal Law' Values and Reasons Research Colloquium, University of Zurich	
Jul 2019	'Inculpating Mental States Across Cultures' 29 th International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy World Congress, SW 148, University of Lucerne	
	COMMENTS	
Dec 2024	Anna Peters: 'The Duty to Criminalise' Philosophy, Law, and Politics Graduate Forum, King's College London ‡	
Dec 2024	Manuel Cordes: 'Criminal Responsibility as Reasons-Responsiveness' ECR Workshop, University of Glasgow ‡	
Nov 2024	Philipp Hirsch: 'How Criminal Law Disapproves of Our Reasons for Action' Centre for Criminal Law, University College London ‡	
Sep 2024	Daniel Miller: 'Why Culpable Ignorance Requires Awareness' Workshop on Wilful Blindness and Mistakes of Fact, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security and Law ‡	
Jun 2024	Joshua May: 'Are Rights a Rationalization?' Workshop on M. Mahlmann's Mind and Rights, University of Zurich ‡	
Legal Practice		
2019–2022	Legal Consultant Levuro (Tech Start-Up)	
Jul-Aug 2019	Law Firm Intern Schwärzler Attorneys at Law	
Sep 2018	Court Intern District Court Andelfingen, Canton of Zurich	
Summer Sc	hools	
Jul 2023	Philosophy and Computer Science University of Bayreuth	
Aug 2021	Law, Language, and Philosophy Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik	
Jul 2021	Causation and Responsibility University of Berne	

Jul 2021

Ancient Philosophy

University College London

Volunteer and Outreach

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Sep 2023 'Understanding Moral Luck'

Clearer Thinking Foundation

Project aimed at making the ethical implications of moral luck accessible to the public.

Jun 2022 Career Forum Speaker

International School of Schaffhausen (ISSH)

Introduced prospects in law and philosophy to ca. 25 high schoolers.

2021 Graduate Student Representative of Switzerland

Youth Forum on the Future of the Humanities (EHC 2021)

Formulated recommendations in cooperation with the Portuguese National Funding Agency, International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences, and UNESCO.

2019–2021 'Urban Classroom'

Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U)

Project aimed at making expert knowledge accessible to the public (led a group of three).

2018–2020 Legal Consultant

University of Zurich Student Association (VSUZH)

Free legal consultation open to all UZH and ETH students (150+ students assisted).

INTERVIEWS

May 2024 'Ethics of Mass Surveillance'

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Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Art

Interviewed about legal and moral issues surrounding mass surveillance and AI.

Mar 2023 **'Boundaries between Law and Philosophy'**

The Philosopher's Nest Podcast

Interviewed about my research and experience in law and philosophy.

Service and Supervision

 \dagger = Dpt. of Psychology

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

	writing lutor
2024-2025	$20 \times LLB$
2023-2024	$21 \times LLB$
	Academic Mentor

2023–2024 10× LLM

UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence

2022- Editor

Research Essay Supervisor

Terms 1–2 '22 1× graduate (relation of law and liberty)

UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH

	Thesis Co-Supervisor		
Spring '24	3× graduate (biases in legal and moral decision-making) †		
Spring '23	1× graduate (epistemology of criminal procedure law)		
Spring '22	2× undergraduate (constitutional guarantees of freedom and equality) 2× graduate (sexual violence and consent in criminal law)		
Fall '21	3× undergraduate (moral foundations of criminal law in relation to evolutionary biology, neuroscience, and behavioural economics)		
	Marking Assistant		
Spring '22	First-year course 'Legal Theory' (3 ECTS)		
Spring '21	First-year course 'Legal History' (6 ECTS) and second-year course 'Private Law II' (18 ECTS)		
Fall '20	First-year course 'Public Law I' (15 ECTS)		
Referee			
Full articles	Bloomsbury Press, <i>Cognitive Science</i> (2×), Cognitive Science Society (2×), Northeast Normativity Workshop (2×), <i>Philosophical Quarterly</i> , <i>UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence</i>		
Abstracts	AI Ethics and HCI Conference		