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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

- 2022– **Ph.D. in Law**  
University College London  
Supervised by Mark Dsouza, John Hyman, and Kevin Toh
- Jun–Sep 2023 **Visiting Research Student**  
Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law  
Invited by Philipp-Alexander Hirsch
- 2019–2021 **Master of Law**  
University of Zurich  
*summa cum laude*, Valedictorian (rank 1/215)
- 2015–2019 **Bachelor of Law**  
University of Zurich

## Publications

### PEER-REVIEWED

- forth. **‘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, Foreseeability, and Norms’** (with M. Kneer). *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 45, pp. 888–895.

- 2023      **‘Causation and the Silly Norm Effect’** (with M. Kneer). In S. Magen & K. Prochownik (eds.), *Advances in Experimental Philosophy of Law* (pp. 133–168). Bloomsbury Press.  
             — runner-up for William James Prize

#### OTHER

- 2023      **‘Motive and Criminal Liability’**. *Criminal Justice Theory Blog*, online August 4<sup>th</sup>.  
 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

† = undergraduate, ‡ = graduate

#### GRADUATE LECTURER

- 2023– (2×)      **Criminal Law** †  
                     Faculty of Law, University College London  
 2023– (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 *The Possibility of Altruism* and *The View from Nowhere*** †  
                     Dpt. of Philosophy, University of Zurich

## Awards

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

- 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	<b>Young Scholar Prize (finalist)</b> Runner-up for best submission in practical philosophy at the 15 <sup>th</sup> SIFA Conference.
2023	<b>Max Planck Fellowship</b> Full funding for research stay at the MPI for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law.
2022–2025	<b>Graduate Research Scholarship &amp; Overseas Research Scholarship</b> UCL’s most prestigious funding package ‘awarded only to the most outstanding potential and existing research students from all departments and faculties’.
2022–2026	<b>Hollond-Whittaker Research Studentship (declined)</b> Full funding to study at Trinity College, University of Cambridge.
2022	<b>Poster Prize</b> Best poster at the 3 <sup>rd</sup> SPP and ESPP Joint Conference.
2021	<b>Orelli Prize</b> Biannually awarded by the Faculty of Law of UZH for an ‘extraordinary thesis’.
2021	<b>William James Prize (finalist)</b> Runner-up for best graduate submission and talk at the 47 <sup>th</sup> SPP Annual Meeting.
2019–2020	<b>Clinton Fellowship</b> Awarded by ETH Zurich and Clinton Foundation for ‘Urban Classroom’ project.

#### COMPETITIVE TRAVEL GRANTS

2023 (4×)	<b>Neuchâtel Action Conference</b> (Neuchâtel); <b>27<sup>th</sup> Oxford Graduate Conference in Philosophy</b> (Oxford); <b>45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society</b> (Sydney, ceded); <b>Philosophy and Computer Science Summer School</b> (Bayreuth)
2020	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Clinton Global Initiative University Conference</b> (Edinburgh)

#### Talks

† = refereed, ‡ = invited, ▽ = assigned commentator

#### PAPER PRESENTATIONS

	<b>‘Making Sense of Mistakes of Fact’</b>
Nov 2024	Edinburgh Criminal Law Discussion Group, Edinburgh University †
Jul 2024	Philosophy Department Colloquium, Univ. of Erlangen-Nuremberg ‡
May 2024	Criminal Law Group Brown Bag Lunch, University of Zurich ‡
	<b>‘Causation, Norms, and Cognitive Bias’</b>
Jul 2024	Experimental Jurisprudence Workshop, University of Surrey ‡
	<b>‘Untangling the Gordian Knot of Motive’</b>
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<sup>th</sup> Oxford Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Oxford University † ▽  
Sep 2023 15<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy, University of Eastern Piedmont †  
— runner-up for Young Scholar Prize  
Jul 2023 97<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Univ. of Sydney †  
Jul 2022 3<sup>rd</sup> Joint Conference of the Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology and European Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology, Univ. of Milan (poster) †  
— winner of Poster Prize  
Jul 2022 30<sup>th</sup> International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy World Congress, SW 21, Dimitrie Cantemir Christian Univ. of Bucharest †  
Feb 2022 Doctoral Students Day: Perspectives on Philosophy in Switzerland, Univ. of Basel (poster) †

### **‘Misascription of Action-Descriptions’**

- Sep 2022 17<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Swiss Psychological Society, Univ. of Zurich †  
Jun 2022 UK-IVR 2022 Annual Conference, University of Surrey †  
Jun 2020 1<sup>st</sup> European Experimental Philosophy Conf., Charles Univ. Prague †

### **‘Causation and the Silly Norm Effect’**

- Oct 2021 Georgetown Lab for the Empirical Study of Law and Language, Georgetown University ‡  
Oct 2021 Reasons and Decisions Lab, Lake Forest College ‡  
Sep 2021 28<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Leipzig †  
Aug 2021 Law, Language, and Philosophy Summer School, Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik  
Jun 2021 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Princeton University †  
— runner-up for William James Prize  
Jun 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> European Experimental Philosophy Conf., Charles Univ. Prague †

### **‘Action, Intention, and Double Effect’**

- May 2021 Values and Reasons Research Colloquium, University of Zurich

### **‘Anscombe, Davidson, and Criminal Law’**

- May 2020 Values and Reasons Research Colloquium, University of Zurich

### **‘Inculcating Mental States Across Cultures’**

Jul 2019                      29<sup>th</sup> International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social  
Philosophy World Congress, SW 148, University of Lucerne

#### COMMENTS

### **Anna Peters: ‘The Duty to Criminalise’**

Dec 2024                      Philosophy, Law, and Politics Graduate Forum, King’s College London ‡

### **Daniel Miller: ‘Why Culpable Ignorance Requires Awareness’**

Sep 2024                      Workshop on Wilful Blindness and Mistakes of Fact, Max Planck  
Institute for the Study of Crime, Security and Law ‡

### **Josh May: ‘Are Rights a Rationalization?’**

Jun 2024                      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 Schools

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	<b>Graduate Student Representative of Switzerland</b> 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	<b>‘Urban Classroom’</b> Clinton Global Initiative University (CGI U) Project aimed at making expert knowledge accessible to the public (led a group of three).
2018–2020	<b>Legal Consultant</b> University of Zurich Student Association (VSUZH) Free legal consultation open to all UZH and ETH students (150+ students assisted).
INTERVIEWS	
May 2024	<b>‘Ethics of Mass Surveillance’</b> Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Art Interviewed about legal and moral issues surrounding mass surveillance and AI.
Mar 2023	<b>‘Boundaries between Law and Philosophy’</b> The Philosopher’s Nest Podcast Interviewed about my research and experience in law and philosophy.

## Service and Supervision

† = Dpt. of Psychology

### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

	<b>Writing Tutor</b>
2023–2024	21× LLB
	<b>Academic Mentor</b>
2023–2024	10× LLM
	<b>UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence</b>
2022–	Editor
	<b>Research Essay Supervisor</b>
Terms 1–2 ‘22	1× graduate (relation of law and liberty)

### UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH

	<b>Thesis Co-Supervisor</b>
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)
	<b>Marking Assistant</b>
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