

Ásgeir Berg Matthíasson

asgeirberg@hi.is
<https://asgeirberg.org>

Research interests

I currently run my own research project to develop a conventionalist account of mathematical truth, funded by the *Icelandic Research Fund* (RANNÍS). It is based on my previous work on the rule-following paradox and the philosophy of mathematics.

As a part of this work, I'm also writing papers on inference, what it is to follow a rule, as well as semantic dispositionalism.

Areas of Specialisation: Philosophy of language, philosophy of mathematics, logic, Wittgenstein, the rule-following paradox

Areas of Competence: Metaphysics, epistemology, history of analytic philosophy.

Current position

2022 — present

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Institute of Philosophy, University of Iceland

Previous positions

2021 — 2022

Adjunct Lecturer
University of Iceland

2020 — 2021

Sessional Instructor
University of Iceland

2016 — 2019

Early Stage Researcher
University of Stirling

Education

Gi

2020

PhD in Philosophy, University of St Andrews and University of Stirling (SASP)
Supervised by Peter Sullivan and Crispin Wright.

2015

M.Litt. in Philosophy, University of St Andrews and University of Stirling (SASP)

2013

M.Sc. in Logic, University of Amsterdam

Publications

Peer-reviewed journal articles

2025	J6	An Objective Communitarian Account of Semantic NA
	J5	Problems for ‘Standard’ Dispositionalist Accounts of Semantic Content <i>Synthese</i> 205 (2)
2024	J4	Wittgenstein on Mathematical Facts <i>Philosophical Investigations</i>
	J3	Was Wittgenstein a Radical Conventionalist? <i>Synthese</i> 203 (37)
2022	J2	Rules as constitutive practices defined by correlated equilibria <i>Inquiry</i> 65: 1–35
2021	J1	Contradictions and falling bridges: what was Wittgenstein’s reply to Turing? <i>British Journal for History of Philosophy</i> 29 (3): 537–559

Other publications

2024	J3	Rannsóknir í heimspeki: Ritdómur <i>Hugur: tímarit um heimspeki</i>
2022	J2	fyrir öll x <i>Icelandic version of for all x, an open and free logic textbook</i>
2017	J1	Af aðferð Chomskys og vinnubrögðum Guðna Elíssonar <i>Ritið: tímarit Hugvísindastofnunar</i>

Grants, awards and fellowships

2022 — 2025	Postdoctoral Research Grant from the <i>Icelandic Research Fund</i> .
2016 — 2019	Early Stage Research Fellowship with the Marie Skłodowska-Curie European Training Network DIAPHORA

Selected talks

2024	T14	Family-resemblance concepts and Wittgenstein’s metaphilosophy, Young Network for Wittgensteinian Philosophy Colloquium, Brussels
	T13	Was Wittgenstein a Radical Conventionalist?, Wittgenstein and the formal sciences 3, World Logic Day
2023	T12	What is it to Follow a Rule?, Institute of Philosophy, University of Iceland, Reykjavík
	T11	Philosophical Implications of Using Large Language Models in Mathematics, Philosophy of Mathematics Seminar, University of Oxford, Oxford (with Fenner Tanswell)
	T10	Was Wittgenstein a Radical Conventionalist?, Wittgenstein and the Philosophy of Mathematical Practice, Vrije Universiteit

2022	T09	Wittgenstein on contradiction: Wittgenstein's debate with Turing, 11th British Wittgenstein Society Conference: Wittgenstein and AI, New College of the Humanities, London
2019	T08	What was Wittgenstein's reply to Turing?: Contradictions and falling bridges, Wittgenstein: Naturalism and Necessity, University of Bergen, Bergen
	T07	A Game-Theoretic Solution to the Rule-Following Paradox, Arché 20th Anniversary Conference, University of St Andrews, St Andrews
	T06	Rules as Constitutive Practices Defined by Correlated Equilibria, Rules, Norms, and Reasons 1: Kripkenstein's Paradox, University of Milan, Milan
2018	T05	The Inadequacy of Dispositional Accounts of Rule-Following, Diaphora Workshop V: Determinism and Open Choices, University of Neuchâtel, Neuchâtel
2017	T04	Wittgenstein's Conventionalism, Diaphora Workshop III: A Priori Knowledge, University of Stirling, Stirling
2015	T03	Russell's Early Conception of Logic, Cool Logic, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam
	T02	Turing's objections to Wittgenstein, 2nd Belgrade Graduate Conference in Philosophy and Logic, University of Belgrade, Belgrade
2014	T01	A Kripke model of Kripke's Outline of a Theory of Truth, 7th Cambridge Graduate Conference on the Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics, University of Cambridge, Cambridge

Teaching

2022	C5	HSP201G Logic (Spring) Primary Instructor. University of Iceland
	C6	HSP201G Metaphysics (Spring) Co-Instructor. University of Iceland
2021	C1	HSP201G Introduction to Logic (Spring) Primary Instructor. University of Iceland
	C2	HSP425M Seminar: Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations (Spring) Primary Instructor. University of Iceland
	C3	HSP105G/HSP724M Critical Thinking (Fall) Primary Instructor. University of Iceland
	C4	HSP073F Research Ethics (Fall) Co-Instructor. University of Iceland

Reviewing and refereeing

Erkenntnis

Philosophical Quarterly

*Philosophical
Investigations*

Measurement

Philosophical Inquiries

Synthese

Argumenta

Philosophia