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## Professional experience

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| 2022–2025 | <b>Postdoctoral Researcher, Universität Münster</b><br>Project: “The role of individual internal states in niche choice, niche construction, and behavioural niche conformance.”<br>Funded by the German Research Foundation (Collaborative Research Center TRR 212). Principal Investigator: Ulrich Krohs. |
| 2013–2014 | <b>Editorial Secretary, <i>Estudios de Filosofía</i></b><br>Philosophy journal edited by the Riva-Agüero Institut, Peru.  |

## Education

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| 2018–2022 | <b>Ph.D., Philosophy, École Normale Supérieure de Paris and Università degli Studi di Milano (dual degree)</b><br>Title: <i>The Landscape of Affective Meaning</i> , passed with no corrections.<br>Committee: Elin McCready (president), Elisa Paganini (supervisor), Márta Abrusán (supervisor), Isidora Stojanovic, Heather Burnett, and Michael Franke. |
| 2015–2017 | <b>M.A., Philosophy, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales</b><br>Title: <i>Force-cancellation and the Unity of the Proposition Problem</i> , passed with highest honours (“mention très bien”).<br>Supervised by François Recanatani and Michael Murez.   |
| 2014–2015 | <b>B.A., Philosophy, Université Paris-Sorbonne (Paris IV)</b><br>First 4 years of studies completed at Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.  |

## Visiting positions

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| 2025      | <b>Visiting Scholar, Università degli Studi di Genova, Italy.</b><br>Host: Filippo Domaneschi (01/03/25 - 31/03/25).  |
| 2024      | <b>Visiting Scholar, Università Vita Salute San Raffaele, Italy.</b><br>Host: Bianca Cepollaro (01/09/24 - 30/09/24). |
| 2021–2022 | <b>Visiting Research Assistant, University of Leeds, U.K.</b><br>Host: Pekka Väyrynen (01/09/21 - 01/07/2022).        |

## Publications

### Published / in-press

1. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2025). “What are particularistic pejoratives?” *Mind & Language*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/mila.70005>
2. Carranza-Pinedo, V., Krohs, U., & Richter, S. H. (2025). “Towards a Scientific Definition of Animal Emotions: Integrating Innate, Appraisal, and Network Mechanisms.” *Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews* 172. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neubiorev.2025.106127>
3. Carranza-Pinedo, V., & Diprossimo, L. (2025). “Scaffolding and Individuality in Early Childhood Development.” *Topoi*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11245-024-10155-3>
4. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2024). “Slurring individuals.” *Inquiry*. 1-34. <https://doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2024.2353616>
5. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2024). “Rethinking core affect: The role of dominance in animal behaviour and welfare research.” *Synthese*. 203(153). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-024-04591-2>
6. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2023). “Appraising evidence for valence.” *Animal Sentience*. 33(31). <https://doi.org/10.51291/2377-7478.1829>
7. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2023). “Slurs’ variability, emotional dimensions, and game-theoretic pragmatics.” *Logic and Engineering of Natural Language Semantics*. Lecture Notes in Computer Science, vol 14213. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-43977-3\\_12](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-43977-3_12)
8. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (2021). “The pragmatics of all-purpose pejoratives.” In *Actas del X Congreso de la Sociedad de Lógica, Metodología y Filosofía de la Ciencia en España: Salamanca, 16-19 de noviembre de 2021* (pp. 567-569). Instituto de Estudios de la Ciencia y la Tecnología. <https://www.finophd.eu/WOC2021/paper5.pdf>

### Manuscripts under review

1. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (under review). “How Precaution Should Track Uncertainty in Animal Sentience Judgements.” Manuscript.
2. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (under review). “Borderline Consciousness.” Manuscript.
3. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (under review). “Speaking from above. A social meaning game for relational slurs.” Manuscript.
4. Carranza-Pinedo, V. (under review). “The Metaphysics of Expressive Meaning: At-Issueness, Commitments, and Illocutionary Acts.” Manuscript.

## Talks and presentations

◦ = invited

1. “Reevaluating Predicates of Personal Taste: Towards a Goal-Based Account.” The Philosophy of Neutrality, Neuchâtel, Switzerland, August 27-29, 2025.
2. “Rethinking Expressive Content: Meaning, Emotion, and Predication.” I Latin American Congress of Affective Sciences, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, August 12-14, 2025.
3. ◦“Reducing Arbitrariness: Towards A Mechanistic Approach to Animal Emotion Research.” Münster Graduate School of Evolution Summer School, Rehburg-Loquum, Sept. 9-11, 2024.

4. “Disentangling Organism and Niche Through Goal-Directed Behavior.” A Novel Synthesis of Individualisation across Behaviour, Ecology and Evolution, Universität Münster, Sept. 3-5, 2024.
5. “Language Dynamics in Close Quarters: The Function of Pejorative Nicknames.” Slurring Terms Across Languages (STAL) Seminar, online, May 21, 2024.
6. “Rethinking Core Affect: The Role of Dominance in Animal Behaviour and Welfare Research.” Inaugural Meeting of the Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Association (PAMBA), Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, April 26-28, 2023.
7. “Rethinking Core Affect: The Role of Dominance in Animal Behaviour and Welfare Research.” 2nd Münster Evolution Meeting (MEM), Universität Münster, March 13-16, 2023.
8. “Slurs’ Variability, Emotional Dimensions and Game-Theoretic Pragmatics.” Logic and Engineering of Natural Language Semantics Conference 19, online, Nov. 19-21, 2022.
9. “Expressives and Indexical Fields.” 9th Experimental Pragmatics Conference (XPRAG), University of Genoa, Sept. 20, 2022.
10. “The Indexical View of Affective Expressivity.” Forum on Performativity in Language and Beyond (PerForum), University of Oslo, June 3, 2022.
11. “‘That Was Intense!’ On Underspecified Judgments of Taste.” Centre for Aesthetic, Moral and Political Philosophy (CAMP) Seminar, University of Leeds, October, 2021.
12. “The Pragmatics of All-purpose Pejoratives.” X Conference of the Spanish Society of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, University of Salamanca, Nov. 16-19, 2021.
13. “Slurs and Pejorative Nicknames: Some Linguistic Parallels.” Resistance Summer School, University of Vienna, online, Sept. 14, 2021.
14. “The Pragmatics of All-purpose Pejoratives.” Workshop on Context, University of Genova, June 21-22, 2021.
15. “Expressivity and the Pragmatics of Adjectival Modification.” Value in Language Workshop, University of Bratislava, online, March 29-31, 2021.
16. “A Pragmatic Theory of Expressive Meaning.” Doc’in Nicod, Institut Jean Nicod, Paris, 2020.
17. “Act-theories of Propositions.” Fourth Belgrade Philosophy Graduate Conference, University of Belgrade, May 10-12, 2019.
18. “Tense and Presuppositions.” CUNY-UniMi Workshop on Tense, Milan, March 28-29, 2019.
19. “Genericity.” Philosophy of Language in Lima Vol.2, PUCP, Lima, July 22-24, 2019.
20. “Fiction and Force-cancellation.” Circulo de Filosofia Analitica, PUCP, Lima, 2019.
21. “Force-cancellation.” Speech acts and Fiction Workshop, University of Genova, Nov. 8-10, 2018.
22. “Propositions as Cognitive Acts.” Junior Reading Group on Linguistics, Institut Jean Nicod, Paris, 2017.

## Teaching experience

### University of Münster - M.A. Wissenschaftsphilosophie (Lecturer)

2025	“Understanding Human and Nonhuman Consciousness.”
2024	“Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics.”
2023	“Introduction to the Affective Sciences.”

### Other institutions

2020	Guest Lecturer “Seminario de Scienze Filosofiche”, State University of Milan.
2014	Teaching Assistant “Academic Argumentation”, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru.

## Summer schools

2022	North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information University of Southern California, U.S.A.
2021	Resistance Summer Doctoral School of Philosophy University of Vienna, Austria.
2021	V-NYI Summer School NY-St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics, Cognition and Culture, online.

## Grants and funding

2025	SAIL Mobility Fund Travel grant for early career researchers at Universität Münster.
2024 & 2025	Erasmus+ Mobility Program Grant EU programme for education, training, youth and sport.
2022	NASSLLI Student Travel Grant University of Southern California.
2021	Research Support Award for Conferences École Normale Supérieure.
2018–2021	Ph.D. Scholarship Università degli Studi di Milano.
2018	Ph.D. Scholarship Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (declined).

## Professional service

### Administrative

2022	[Organizer] Theorema “Filosofía en el Mundo Hispano”, 5 November, online
2020	[Co-organizer] Theorema “Winter Sessions”, September-November, online
2020	[Co-organizer] Theorema “Workshop on Language and Racism”, July, online
2019	[Organizer] CUNY-UniMi Workshop on Tense, March, Milan
2018	[Co-organizer] Seminar of Philosophy of Perception, Mind and Language, Milan

### Refereeing

- Review of Philosophy and Psychology (x 1), Synthese (x 3), Prolegomena (x 1), Scenari - Rivista semestrale di filosofia contemporanea (x 1), The Journal of Value Inquiry (x1), Open Linguistics

(x 1), Journal of Philosophy (x 1), Biology Letters (x 1), Philosophers' Imprint (x 1).

### Memberships

- Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie (GAP), Zentrum für Wissenschaftstheorie (ZfW), Theorema - Sociedad Peruana de Investigación Filosófica, Asociación Latinoamericana de Filosofía Analítica (ALFAn), Latin American Network of Affective Studies.

### Languages

- English, French and Italian (fluent); Portuguese and German (basic); Spanish (native).

### Academic references

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| – Márta Abrusán<br>Directrice de Recherche<br>Institut Jean Nicod - CNRS<br>marta.abrusan@gmail.com    | – Isidora Stojanovic<br>Distinguished Researcher (PFU) &<br>Directrice de Recherche (IJN-CNRS)<br>isidora.stojanovic.nicod@gmail.com |
| – Elisa Paganini<br>Associate Professor<br>Università degli Studi di Milano<br>elisa.paganini@unimi.it | – Ulrich Krohs<br>Universitätsprofessor<br>University of Münster<br>ulrich.krohs@uni-muenster.de                                     |