

Francesco Di Betta

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Education

PhD in Philosophy

Oct 2025 – pres.

University School for Advanced Studies IUSS Pavia; MCMP (LMU)

- **Dissertation:** *Belief Revision under Epistemic Risk.*
- **Supervisors:** Dr. Luca Zanetti (IUSS), Prof. Dr. Hannes Leitgeb (LMU).

Diploma (eq. to Master's degree) in Humanities

Sep 2022 – May 2025

University School for Advanced Studies IUSS Pavia

- **Dissertation:** *Normality: Probabilistic and Otherwise.*
- **Supervisors:** Dr. Luca Zanetti (IUSS), Prof. Bernhard Salow (University of Oxford).
- Higher education institution offering interdisciplinary courses to students selected via national entry exam.
- Coursework (selected): Decision Theory, Philosophy of Mind, Neuropragmatics, History of Economics.

MA in Philosophy

Sep 2022 – Jul 2024

University of Milan "Statale"

- **Dissertation:** *Relativism and Disagreement: Epistemological Issues in MacFarlane's Account of Disagreements.*
- **Supervisors:** Prof. Andrea Borghini (University of Milan "Statale"), Prof. Tommaso Piazza (University of Pavia), Prof. Max Kölbel (University of Vienna).

Ghislieri College Student

Sep 2019 – Jul 2024

- Higher education institution under the patronage of the President of the Italian Republic, devoted to fostering the academic growth of selected students through specialized courses and international exchange programs.
- Coursework (selected): Spanish, Python 3, Debate, Introduction to Probability.

BA in Philosophy

Sep 2019 – Sep 2022

University of Pavia

- **Dissertation:** *Knowledge and Sensitivity: Revising The Counterfactual Analysis of Knowledge.*
- **Supervisors:** Prof. Tommaso Piazza (University of Pavia), Prof. Alexander Bird (University of Cambridge).

Visiting

Visiting Student at the MCMP, Munich (Germany)

Oct 2024 – Mar 2025

- Supervisor: Prof. Hannes Leitgeb.

Research Fellow at the University of Vienna, Vienna (Austria)

Apr 2024 – Jul 2024

- Supervisor: Prof. Max Kölbel.

Visiting Student at St Hugh's College, Oxford (UK)

Jan 2024 – Apr 2024

- Supervisor: Prof. Timothy Williamson.

Visiting Student at St John's College, Cambridge (UK)

Aug 2022 – Sep 2022

- Supervisor: Prof. Alexander Bird.

Leadership & Organizing Experience

Co-organizer of a seminar in Formal Epistemology

May 2025

- Title: *Probable Knowledge and Rational Belief*.
- Invited speaker: Prof. Bernhard Salow (University of Oxford).

Board Member of the [Ghislieri College Foundation](#)

Aug 2021 – Jul 2023

- Actively engaged in monthly Board meetings and bimonthly student assemblies.
- Co-led the establishment of a free psychological service for Ghislieri students in partnership with [Jonas Pavia](#).
- Contributed to the design of a networking platform ("[Vetrina del merito](#)") connecting Ghislieri students, alumni, and companies.

Co-organizer of a seminar series on [Non-Classical Logics](#)

Apr 2023

- Invited speakers: Prof. Francesco Paoli (University of Cagliari), Prof. Pierluigi Minari (University of Florence).

Co-organizer of the "[Festa d'estate](#)" ball

Jan – Jun 2022

- Co-organizer of a ball attended by around 1,000 guests at Ghislieri College (Pavia, Italy).
- Responsible for accounting, sponsorship research and general organization.

Co-organizer of a seminar series on [the Philosophy of ICTs](#)

Dec 2021

- Invited speakers: Prof. Carlo Vercellone (Université de Paris8), Prof. Brett Caraway (University of Toronto Mississauga), Prof. Charles Ess (University of Oslo).

Publications

- Di Betta, F. & Piazza, T. *No Role for Sensitivity*. Submitted to *The Philosophical Quarterly*.

Talks & Presentations (Selected)

- *No Sharp Beliefs*, "Work in Progress" presentation (with Prof. Martin Smith), IUSS Pavia, 18 Nov 2025.
- *No Role for Sensitivity*, "Work in Progress" presentation, IUSS Pavia, 15 May 2025.
- *Newcomb's Problem is The Prisoner's Dilemma: Lewis & Bermúdez*, presented in Dr. Zanetti's "Decision Theory" graduate course, IUSS Pavia, 15 Apr 2023.
- *Knowing and Necessity: How Can We Counterfactually Account for Our Mathematical Knowledge?*, graduate talk given at the [Spring Seminars](#) organized by the Irish Philosophical Society (IPS), online, 1 Mar 2023.
- *Can Epistemically Possible Worlds Rescue Sensitivity?*, graduate talk given at the [Ghislieri-St John's Research Day](#) organized by Ghislieri College (Pavia, Italy) and St John's College (Cambridge, UK), Pavia, 11 Nov 2022.

Attended Events (Selected)

- [6th Urbino Summer School in Epistemology](#), organized by the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy ([SIFA](#)), Urbino, 27–30 Aug 2024.

Volunteering

Volunteer Tutor

Sep 2017 – Sep 2019

["Bimbo chiama bimbo" ONLUS](#)

Brescia, Italy

- I volunteered as a tutor for elementary school children of non-Italian origin, organizing one afternoon-long study session every two weeks.

Volunteer Museum Guide

Palazzo Poncarali-Oldofredi, Palazzo della Loggia

Jan, May 2018

Brescia, Italy

- I volunteered as a tour guide during the [FAI](#)'s ("Fondo Ambiente Italiano") "FAI Spring Days".

Scientific Affiliations

Member of the ["Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy" \(SIFA\)](#)

Apr 2024 – *pres.*

- The SIFA was founded in 1992, and it gathers Italy-based analytic scholars. It organizes and promotes conferences, publications, and further initiatives connected with analytically oriented philosophy.

Member of the ["Philosophicum Ghislieri" Association](#)

Ghislieri College

Sep 2019 – *pres.*

Pavia, Italy

- Student association composed by sixty active members with the mission of organizing cultural activities, conferences, and seminars related to Philosophy.

Awards & Scholarships

| Category | Date | Amount | Notes |
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| Travel stipend | Sep 2024 | €2,500 | Awarded to support my research stay at MCMP, Munich (University of Milan). |
| Research contribution | Jul 2024 | €4,150 | Awarded to support my research stay at MCMP, Munich (IUSS). |
| MA dissertation award | Oct 2023 | €1,967 | Awarded for my MA thesis in Disagreement Epistemology (IUSS). |
| Research contribution | Jul 2023 | €2,400 | Awarded to work on my MA thesis with Prof. Kölbel in Vienna (University of Milan). |
| Three-month scholarship to St Hugh's College | May 2023 | <i>College fees and board</i> | Awarded to work on my MA thesis with Prof. Williamson in Oxford (Ghislieri College). |
| MA full-ride scholarship | Sep 2022 | <i>University fees, College fees and board</i> | Awarded for placing first in the IUSS admission ranking (IUSS). |
| Summer scholarship to St John's College | Apr 2022 | <i>College fees and board</i> | Awarded to work on my BA thesis with Prof. Bird in Cambridge (Ghislieri College). |
| One-year tuition-free scholarship | Set 2019 | <i>University fees</i> | Awarded for achieving a perfect score of 100/100 in high school graduation (University of Pavia). |
| High school award | Nov 2018 | €500 | Awarded for achieving an outstanding annual GPA over 9.00/10 (Lombardy Region). |

Languages & Other Skills

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| Italian | Native Speaker | |
| English | IELTS Band 8 (CEFR level: C1) | Nov 2024 |
| Spanish | SIELE Score 783 (CEFR level: B2) | Jul 2024 |
| Latin | "CUSL" certificate (CEFR level: B1) | Feb 2019 |
| Ancient Greek | Reading skills | |
| L ^A T _E X | Advanced knowledge | |
| Python | numpy, pandas, matplotlib | GitHub |