# GEORGINA TORBET

## Academic CV

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## Research Interests

My principle research interests are unusual experiences of self and agency in the schizophrenic spectrum. My current research takes an interdisciplinary approach involving methods from both experimental psychology (using eye tracking to implicitly measure disruptions of agency) and from phenomenological psychiatry (using interviews to assess disorders of self).

### Education

2011 - Present	BERLIN SCHOOL OF MIND & BRAIN,
D1 D	Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
PhD	Psychology
Title	Disorders of Agency and Self in the Schizophrenic Spectrum:
	From phenomenological models to empirical data
Supervisors	Prof. Norbert Kathmann & Prof. Michael Pauen (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)
Status	Submitted, awaiting defense
2009 - 2011	University College London & Birkbeck, University of London
$\mathbf{MSc}$	Cognitive Neuroscience
Thesis	Sub-Conscious Stimuli Can Induce Directed Forgetting: Cognitive neuro-
	scientific approaches to Freudian repression
Supervisor	Dr. Katerina Fotopoulou (King's College London)
Award	Pass with Merit; equivalent to German 1,1
2007 - 2008	King's College London
$\mathbf{MSc}$	Philosophy of Mental Disorder
Thesis	A Phenomenological Perspective on Schizophrenia: Disunity of self and
	disorientation in time.
Supervisor	Prof. Derek Bolton (King's College London)
Award	Pass with Merit; equivalent to German 1,3
2003 - 2006	University of Southampton
$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}$	Philosophy
Thesis	Is Jaspers' Definition of Delusion Adequate?
Supervisor	Dr. Denis McManus (University of Southampton)
Award	2:1; equivalent to German 1,7

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

Torbet, G; Schulze, D.; Fiedler, A.; Kathmann, N.; Reuter, B. (2014) **Reliability of measuring self disorders in a non-clinical population**. Under review, *Psychiatry Research*.

Torbet, G.; Kathmann, N.; Reuter, B. (2014) Volitional and visually-guided saccades in non-clinical schizotypical populations. In preparation for publication, *Psychophysiology*.

Torbet, G.; Reuter, B.; Kathmann, N. (2014) Experimental methods of measuring agency: Conceptual aspects and implications for psychopathology research. In preparation for publication, *Consciousness and Cognition*.

## Conference Talks & Poster Presentations

### Conference & Symposium Talks

TÜBINGEN, JULY 2014: Neurobiologisches Kolloquium, Hertie Institute for Clinical Brain Research and Werner Reichardt Centre for Integrative Neuroscience

Disruptions of Self and Agency in the Schizophrenia Spectrum

BERLIN, MARCH 2014: Mind, Brain & Body Symposium, Mind-Brain Institute Measuring Disorders of Self in the Non-Clinical Population

Venice, April 2013: Neuro-Philosophical workshop: Why do humans reason? Social Context, Agency and Rationality

BRIGHTON, JULY 2012: Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness meeting Sense of Agency in Schizophrenia

VENICE, APRIL 2011: Current Issues in Philosophy and Neuroscience Symposium Cognitive Neuroscientific approaches to Freudian Repression

#### Poster Presentations

BERLIN, JANUARY 2014: Mind and Brain Poster Presentation What's the Problem with the Comparator Model?

Grenada, July 2013: European Society for Philosophy and Philosophy annual meeting Disturbances of Agency in Schizophrenia

Berlin, November 2012: Mind and Brain Poster Presentation Measuring Anomalies of Self in the General Population

BERLIN, MAY 2012: Personal and Shared Intentions workshop

The Intentional Binding Paradigm: An Implicit Measure of Disturbances of Agency

BERLIN, FEBRUARY 2012: Mind and Brain Poster Presentation Agency and Selfhood in Schizophrenia

### Workshop Participation

Munich, March 2013: Visions for Neurophilosophy

Workshop participant

Berlin, May 2012: Dimensions of Delusions Workshop participant and co-organiser

## Awards & Scholarships

Mind and Brain Postdoctoral Scholarship, Berlin, June 2014:

Recipient of a postdoc scholarship from the Berlin School of Mind and Brain.

Mind and Brain Doctoral Scholarship, BERLIN, MAY 2011:

Recipient of a full scholarship from the Berlin School of Mind and Brain doctoral program.

Women's Travel Award, Berlin, November 2009:

Recipient of a Women's Travel Award from the Berlin School of Mind and Brain.

## Non Peer-Reviewed Publications

### Research Digests

Self and Other, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2013, 15 (2)

Interdisciplinary critique, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2013, 15 (1)

Bias and Prejudice, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2012, 14 (2)

Methodologies and Dissemination, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2012, 14 (1)

Reflection and Representation, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2011, 13 (2)

Six Impossible Things Before Breakfast, Neuropsychoanalysis, 2011, 13 (1)

## Teaching Experience

King's College London, 2010: Statistics & Research Methods

Taught on the Intercalated BSc in Psychology, covering good practice in experimental methodology and how to extract testable hypotheses from theory.

Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, 2009: Introduction to Neuroimaging methods Taught an introduction to Bayesian probability in the context of neuroimaging for MSc and PhD students.

## Administrative Experience

Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London, 2008 -  $2011\colon$ 

Lead Administrator, Doctorate in Clinical Psychology

Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London, 2008:

**Temporary Administrator & Assistant** to Professor Elizabeth Kuipers, Head of Psychology Department

## Training

#### Humboldt Graduate School soft skills training, Berlin, 2011-2013:

Trained in Scientific Presentation, Scientific Writing, Publishing Research Articles, Good Scientific Practice, Writing Review Articles and Grant Application Writing.

EASE (Examination of Anomalous Self-Experience) training, COPENHAGEN, 2011: Trained in semi-structured interview technique to assess self disorders (*Ich-Störung*) among patients with schizophrenia.

## MATLAB training, Berlin, 2011:

Trained in the use of MATLAB software for constructing and presenting stimuli, recording and analysing data, statistical analysis, and visualisation of results.

### **Professional Service**

#### Co-Organiser of the Dimensions of Delusions workshop, MAY 2012:

Assisted with the organisation of an interdisciplinary workshop on delusions, which included contributions from philosophers, psychiatrists and neurobiologists.

#### DFG Excellence Initiative funding application, JANUARY 2012:

Member of the defence committees for the Berlin School of Mind and Brain and the Humboldt University, both of which were successful in securing further funding from the German Research Foundation's Excellence Initiative.

### Resident Journal Research Digest Reviewer, 2011 - 2013:

Wrote regular reviews of recent literature in the fields of neuroscience, psychology and psychoanalysis for the Neuropsychoanalysis journal.

## Languages

English native speaker; German basic level.

### References

Prof. Norbert Kathmann Head of Clinical Psychology

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