

# James Laing

**AOS:** Philosophy of Mind, Phenomenology and Existentialism, Moral Psychology

**AOC:** History of Philosophy (Ancient Philosophy, Hume, Rousseau and Nietzsche), Ethics

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## Education

- 2016-      PhD in Philosophy, University College London  
Supervisors: Lucy O'Brien & Douglas Lavin.  
Provisional Title: *Self-Conscious Social Animals*
- 2019      Visiting Doctoral Fellow, Forschungskolleg Analytic German Idealism, University of Leipzig, October-December  
Host: James Conant
- 2018      Visiting Student, University of Chicago, Autumn Quarter  
Host: Matthias Haase
- 2014-16    MPhilStud in Philosophy, University College London, Pass (Marked pass/fail; over 70 in all taught components)  
Supervisors: Mark Eli Kalderon & M.G.F. Martin  
Thesis: *On Being in Time: Temporal Consciousness and the Consciousness of Time*  
Examiners: Mark Textor & Christoph Hoerl
- 2010-13    BA in Philosophy, University of York, First Class Honours with Distinction (First in Cohort)

## Work in Progress

- 'When Eyes Touch' - *To be submitted for review after a conference on 17/11/19*
- 'Ordinary Self-Consciousness as a Philosophical Problem' - *To be submitted for review on 2/12/19*
- 'The Harm of Humiliation'
- 'Making Sense of Shame'

## Awards and Fellowships

- 2019-20    Royal Institute of Philosophy Studentship (£8000)
- 2019      Visiting Doctoral Fellowship, Forschungskolleg Analytic German Idealism, (€2950)  
LAHP Research Support Fund (£380) for a conference visit to City University of New York Graduate Centre
- 2018      LAHP Study Visit and Conference Fund (£2500) for overseas study at The University of Chicago
- 2016-19    AHRC London Arts and Humanities Partnership Doctoral Research Studentship (Fees & Maintenance)
- 2014-16    UCL MPhilStud Departmental Scholarship (Full Award, Total: £36,544), consisting of:  
Keeling Philosophy Department Scholarship (2014-15, 2015-16)  
Dawes-Hicks Scholarship (2014-15)  
Follett Scholarship (2015-16)  
Jacobsen Scholarship (2015-16)
- 2012      Second Year Prize, awarded for the best overall performance on BA Philosophy Modules, University of York (£100)

## Presentations

- 2019      When Eyes Touch, *UCL-Leipzig Conference*, University of Leipzig, 14th-16 November

## Ordinary Self-Consciousness as a Philosophical Problem

*London-Berkeley Graduate Conference*, UC Berkeley, 10-11th May.

*Intersubjectivity and Interpretation*, The Graduate Centre, City University of New York, 5th April.

*London Intersubjectivity Workshop*, 15th February

The Harm of Humiliation, *London Graduate Moral and Political Philosophy Workshop*, 26th February

2018 The Harm of Humiliation, *Understanding Value VII*, University of Sheffield, 18th-20th July

On Being Humiliated, *The Inhuman Gaze*, University College Dublin/Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris, 6th-9th June,

2017 Making Sense of Shame, *Intercollegiate Graduate Conference in Philosophy*, London, 24th November

In One's Eyes or Those of Another? Shame and Adverse Evaluation, *Understanding Value VI*, University of Sheffield, 21st-23rd July

2016 Duration Perception and the Stream of Thought, *London-Warwick Mind Forum*, 10th March

2015 Seeing in Slow Motion, *Open Minds XI Graduate Conference*, University of Manchester, 4th December

Duration Perception, Time Dilation and the Stream of Thought, *University of Leeds Postgraduate Seminar*, 14th August

## As Commentator

2019 Comments on Pablo Fernández Velasco's 'Phenomenology and Sense of Self', *London Intersubjectivity Workshop*, 20th June

2018 Virtuous and Ashamed, comments on Niels Christensen's 'Aristotle on Virtuous Shame', *London Intersubjectivity Workshop*, 26th June

## Teaching

### As Convener

2019 Advanced Tutorials: Interpersonal Moral Psychology. Third Year Tutorial. (Spring Term). Tutorial Organiser, Seminar Leader, Primary Marking: One Group

### As Seminar Leader

2019 Introduction to Moral Philosophy: Hume and Kant. 1st Year Module. (Spring Term) (Mark Kalderon) Seminar Leader, Primary Marking: Four Groups

2018 Nietzsche. 2nd year module (Spring Term 2017-18) (Tom Stern). Seminar Leader, Primary Marking, Three Groups

Philosophy of Mind. 2nd Year Philosophy Module (Spring Term 2017-18) (Rory Madden). Seminar Leader, Primary Marking, Three Groups

2017 Doubt Passion and Justice: Hume's *Treatise of Human Nature* (Spring Term, 2016-2017). Fortnightly Seminars. Third Year Undergraduate Module (M.G.F. Martin). Seminar Leader, Primary Marking. One Group.

2016 Epistemology of Disagreement (Autumn Term, 2016-17) (Han van Wietmarschen) Fortnightly Seminars. Third Year Undergraduate Module. Seminar Leader, Primary Marking. One Group.

### As Guest Lecturer

2019 "Why do we need a philosophy of shame?" for Moral Psychology, Spring 2019 (Douglas Lavin)

## Service

- 2018- Founder and Convener, London Intersubjectivity Workshop (meets termly)  
 Convenor, Sebastian Rodl's, *Self-Consciousness and Objectivity* Reading group. April-July
- 2017 Convenor, Iris Murdoch's *Sovereignty of the Good* Reading Group, May-July.
- 2015 Organiser of the UCL Philosophy Graduate Conference, 1-2 October.  
 Convener, Bernard Williams Reading Group  
*Truth and Truthfulness* (December 2015- June 2016)  
*Ethics & The Limits of Philosophy* (February-June 2015)
- 2014 Convener, Wilfred Sellars' *Empiricism and the Philosophy of Mind* Reading Group  
 (September-December)
- 2012-13 Editor, *Dialectic: The Undergraduate Journal of the University of York Philosophy Society*

## Graduate Seminars Attended

- 2018-19 Hellenistic Ethics\* (Martha Nussbaum)  
 Sartre and the Philosophy of Mind\* (Raoul Moati)  
 Sources of Critical Theory\* (Candace Vogler)  
 Agency\* (Matthias Haase)
- 2017-18 Neo-Aristotelian Moral Psychology\* (Douglas Lavin)  
 Graduate Studies in the Philosophy of Action\* (Douglas Lavin).
- 2016-17 Hegel's *Phenomenology of Spirit*: Self-Consciousness\* (Tom Stern and Sebastian Gardner)  
 Recent Work in Practical Philosophy\* (Douglas Lavin)
- 2015-16 Content and Consciousness\* (Mark Kalderon)  
 Plato's *Protagoras*\* (M. M. McCabe)  
 Genealogy of Belief (Amia Srinivasan)  
 Graduate Studies in Moral Philosophy: Intersubjectivity (Douglas Lavin)
- 2014-15 Advanced Topics in Metaphysics and Epistemology (Rory Madden)  
 Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science\* (Daniel Rothschild)  
 Experience (Mark Kalderon)  
 Research Seminar in Philosophy of Mind: Interpersonal Self-Consciousness (Lucy O'Brien)  
 Metaphysics of Mind (M.G.F. Martin)  
 Advanced topics in the Philosophy of Mind and Language (Christopher Peacocke)  
 Research Seminar in Justice and Health: Environmental Ethics (James Wilson)  
 Practical Criticism I: Brian O'Shaughnessy's *The Will: Volume I* (Yannig Yuthra)  
 Practical Criticism II: R. J. Wallace's *The View From Here* (Véronique Munoz-Dardé)  
 Plato's *Theaetetus* (M.M. McCabe)  
 Graduate Studies in Aristotle (Fiona Leigh)

(\* denotes audit)

## Miscellaneous

- 2014 Intern, University of York: Employability Workshop, Workshop Organiser
- 2013 An Interview with Rosalind Hursthouse on virtue, *Dialectic: Virtue and the Good Life*, Summer Issue
- 2012 An Interview with Christopher Hookway on pragmatism, *Dialectic: Pragmatism and Justification*, Autumn Issue