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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Philosophical Logic • Philosophy of Logic • Metaphysics

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Formal Logic • Philosophy of Language • Epistemology.

## CURRENT POSITION

Jan 2015 - May 2016 *Postdoctoral Researcher* working with Catarina Dutilh Novaes on the “Roots of Deduction” project in the Department of Theoretical Philosophy in the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Groningen on formal aspects of the built-in opponent conception of deduction.

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2014 *Visiting Research Scholar*, at Center for the Advancement of Logic, its Philosophy, History & Applications and Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science, University of California Irvine. (Winter Quarter)

2013-2015 *Research Assistant* for Greg Restall at the University of Melbourne working on Coursera courses <https://class.coursera.org/logic1-001/> and <https://class.coursera.org/logic2-001/>.

2011-2013 *Research Associate*, Department of Philosophy & Bioethics, Monash University.

## Education

2007-2011 **Ph.D. in Philosophy**  
Department of Philosophy and Bioethics, Monash University.

- Title: “Translational Embeddings in Modal Logic”
- Degree Awarded: 17th January 2011
- Advisors: Graham Oppy, Lloyd Humberstone
- Examiners: Alasdair Urquhart (Toronto), Stephen Kuhn (Georgetown).

2002-2006 Bachelor of Arts (Hons)/Bachelor of Computer Science, Monash University

## Grants, Honors & Awards

2010	Dean's Award for Best Sessional Teacher in the School of Philosophical, Historical and International Studies
2010	Monash Research Graduate School Postgraduate Publication Award
2007-2010	Australian Research Council (ARC) Postgraduate Research Scholarship
2007	Camo Jackson Award for Best Honours in Philosophy, Monash University
2005	Scholarship to attend Australian National University (ANU) Logic Summer School

## Publications

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

201X	1. French, R. "Structural Reflexivity and the Paradoxes of Self-Reference", accepted for publication in <i>Ergo</i> .
201X	2. French, R. "An Argument for the Ontological Innocence of Mereology", accepted for publication in <i>Erkenntnis</i> . <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2015	3. French, R. and Ripley, D., "Contractions of Noncontractive Consequence Relations", <i>Review of Symbolic Logic</i> , Vol. 8, 506–528. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2015	4. French, R., "Sequent Calculi for Urn Logic", <i>The Journal of Logic, Language and Information</i> Vol. 24, 131–147. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2015	5. French, R. and Humberstone, L., "An Observation Concerning Porte's Rule in Modal Logic", <i>The Bulletin of the Section of Logic</i> 44:1/2, 25–31.
2015	6. French, R., "In the Mood for <b>S4</b> : The Expressive Power of the Subjunctive Modal Language in Weak Background Logics", <i>Studia Logica</i> , Vol. 103, 239–263. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2013	7. French, R., "Expressive Power, Mood, and Actuality", <i>Synthese</i> , Vol. 190, 1689–1699. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2012	8. French, R. (2012), "Denumerably Many Post-Complete Normal Modal Logics with Additional Propositional Constants", <i>Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic</i> , Vol. 53, 549–556. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2012	9. French, R. (2012), "An Argument Against General Validity?", <i>Thought</i> , Vol. 1, 4–9. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2009	10. French, R. and Humberstone, L. (2009), "Partial Confirmation of a Conjecture on the Boxdot Translation in Modal logic", <i>Australasian Journal of Logic</i> , Vol. 7, 56–61.
2009	11. French, R. (2009), "A Simplified Embedding of <b>E</b> into Monomodal <b>K</b> ", <i>Logic Journal of the IGPL</i> , Vol. 17, 421–428, 2009. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
2008	12. French, R. (2008), "The Logic of Eventual Permanence for Unending Linear Time", <i>The Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic</i> , Vol. 49, No 2, 137–142. <a href="#">[doi]</a>

### REVIEWS

2014	13. French, R., "Review of A.A. Rini and M. J. Cresswell 'The World-Time Parallel'", <i>Australasian Journal of Philosophy</i> , Vol. 92, 802–805. <a href="#">[doi]</a>
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### IN PROCEEDINGS

2015	14. French, R. (2015), "Prover-Skeptic Games and Logical Pluralism" <i>Proceedings of the 20th Amsterdam Colloquium</i> , Edited by Thomas Brochhagen, Floris Roelofsen & Nadine Theiler, pp.128–136.
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## Talks

Apr 2016	(*) LMU Munich, <i>TBD</i> , Munich Centre for Mathematical Philosophy at LMU Munich.
Apr 2016	(*) Groningen, <i>TBD</i> , Closing Workshop for the <i>Roots of Deduction</i> project at the University of Groningen
Dec 2015	Amsterdam, “Prover-Skeptic Games and Logical Pluralism”, Amsterdam Colloquium 2015
Nov 2015	St Andrews, “Dialogue Semantics for Bilateralism: Towards a Multi-Agent Account”, Workshop on Inferentialism at University of St Andrews.
Sept 2015	Vienna, “Prover-Skeptic Games and Logical Pluralism”, Workshop on Logical Dialogue Games at TU Vienna.
Sept 2015	Osnabrück, “Structural Reflexivity and the Semantic Paradoxes”, German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP.9)
Aug 2015	Helsinki, “Hypersequents for Contingent Existence”, 15th Congress on Logic, Methodology and the Philosophy of Science.
Sept 2014	Melbourne, w. Lloyd Humberstone “Thomas Forster on Definite Descriptions”, Melbourne Logic Group Logic Day.
May 2014	Melbourne, “Modal Logics with Statability Operators: Variations on a Priorian Theme”, Melbourne Logic Group Logic Day.
Feb 2014	U.C. Irvine, “Predicate Logic with Explicit Scope Markers”, UC Irvine Logic and Philosophy of Science Colloquium.
Nov 2013	Melbourne, “Predicate Logic with Explicit Scope Markers”, Melbourne Logic Group Logic Day.
Nov 2012	Monash, “The Ontological Innocence of Mereology”, Monash Workshop on the Metaphysics of Time.
Sept 2012	Melbourne, “Sequent Calculi for Urn Logic”, Melbourne Logic Group.
June 2012	Sydney, “Kaplan’s Monsters—The Case of Fixedly”, Australasian Association of Logic Conference.
June 2012	Melbourne, “Proof Theory for Contingent Existence”, Melbourne Logic Group.
Apr 2012	U.C. Irvine, “In the Mood for <b>S4</b> ”, Invited presentation at Workshop on Actuality and Subjunctivity organised by K.F. Wehmeier.
Nov 2011	Kioloa, “The Logical Argument Against Quantifier Variance”, Australian Metaphysics Conference.
Oct 2011	Monash, “The Logical Argument Against Quantifier Variance”, Monash University Staff Seminar
Oct 2011	Melbourne, “Denumerably Many Post-Complete Normal Modal Logics with Additional Propositional Constants”, Melbourne Logic Group.
Dec 2010	Melbourne, “Expressive Power, Mood and Actuality”, Melbourne Logic Group.
Oct 2007	Melbourne, “The Range of Translations and the Problem of Maximality”, Melbourne Logic Group.

## Teaching

### AS LECTURER

S1 2014	Lecturer for PHIL20030 <i>Meaning, Possibility and Paradox</i> (University of Melbourne)
S2 2011	Guest Lecturer (Basic Modal Logic and Normal Modal Logics) for PHIL20030 <i>Meaning, Possibility and Paradox</i> (University of Melbourne)
S2 2011	Guest Lecturer for PHIL40013 <i>Uncertainty, Vagueness and Disagreement</i> Honours seminar on Fatalism (University of Melbourne)
S2 2010	Guest Lecturer (Nozick on Skepticism) for PHIL080 <i>Time, Self and Mind</i> .
S1 2010	Lecturer and Course Coordinator for PHIL3590 <i>Mind and Meaning</i> (Monash University).

## AS TUTOR

*Responsible for running tutorials, marking continuous assessment and exams.*

S1 2014	Head Tutor for UNIB10002 <i>Logic: Language and Information</i> (Melbourne University).
S2 2013	Tutor for PHIL20030 <i>Meaning, Possibility and Paradox</i> (University of Melbourne).
S2 2013	Tutor for ATS1838 <i>Philosophy: Introduction C (Logic)</i> (Monash University).
S1 2013	Tutor for ATS2866 <i>Symbolic Logic</i> (Monash University).
S1 2013	Head Tutor for UNIB10002 <i>Logic: Language and Information</i> (Melbourne University).
S1 2012	Head Tutor for UNIB10002 <i>Logic: Language and Information</i> (Melbourne University).
S1 2011	Tutor for ATS1833 <i>Thinking</i> (Monash University).
S2 2010	Tutor for PHL1080 <i>Time, Self and Mind</i> (Monash University).
S1 2008	Tutor for PHL1030 <i>Thinking: Analysing Arguments</i> (Monash University)

## Service to the profession

Referee for *Australasian Journal of Logic*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis*, *Journal of Applied Non-Classical Logic*, *Logique et Analyse*, *Logic and Logical Philosophy*, *Logica Universalis*, *The Review of Symbolic Logic*, *Ergo*, *Synthese*, and *dialectica*.

Reviewer for *Mathematical Reviews*. Reviewed items [MR3339230](#), [MR3343405](#) and [MR3234657](#).

## Referees

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