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AOS: Kant's moral and political philosophy
AOC: Political philosophy, ethics, practical ethics

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### **Employment**

2025-2028	Postdoctoral Researcher, Faculty of Philosophy
	University of Groningen
2022-2025	Leverhulme Early Career Fellow, Department of Philosophy
	University of Oxford
2018-2022	Fellow, Department of Government
	London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

#### Education

2020-2021	Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education, LSE
2014-2019	DPhil in Philosophy, University of Oxford
2012-2014	BPhil in Philosophy, University of Oxford
2006-2011	B.A. (Hons) in Philosophy, University of Toronto

### **Publications**

### Monographs

1. In progress and under contract. *Kant on Duties to Self*, Cambridge University Press. Cambridge Elements in the Philosophy of Kant series.

## Journal articles

5. 2025. 'Duties to Self in §2 of Kant's Doctrine of Virtue' in History of Philosophy Quarterly 42(2), 193-204.

https://doi.org/10.5406/21521026.42.2.05

- 4. 2024. 'Duties to Self, Consent, and Respect in Kant's Moral Philosophy' in *Journal of Moral Philosophy*, 1-24. Online first. https://doi.org/10.1163/17455243-20244458
- 3. 2023. 'Kant on Civil Self-Sufficiency' in *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 105(1), 118-140. https://doi.org/10.1515/agph-2020-0030
- 2. 2021. 'Whence Honeste Vive?' in *European Journal of Philosophy* 29(2), 323-338. https://doi.org/10.1111/ejop.12572
- 1. 2020. 'Kant on Welfare: 5 Unsuccessful Defences' in *Kantian Review* 25(1), 1-25. https://doi.org/10.1017/S136941541900044X

# Invited chapters

- 2024. 'Authority and Acquisition: Kant on Property in the State of Nature' in *Property Law and Theory* ed. C. Bevan. Edward Elgar Publishing, 142-154. https://doi.org/10.4337/9781802202069.00017
- 2023. 'Active Citizenship and Kantian Republicanism' in *The Kantian Subject: New Interpretative Essays*, eds. Luigi Caranti and Fernando Silva. Routledge, 161-79. https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003462415-14
- 2014. 'A Kantian Defense of the Right to Health Care' in Kantian Theory and Human Rights, eds. Andreas Føllesdal and Reidar Maliks. New York: Routledge, 70-88. https://doi.org/10.4324/9780203796559

### **Book reviews**

1. 2023. Kant's Grounded Cosmopolitanism: original common possession and the right to visit by Jakob Huber in Jurisprudence 14(2): 309-316. https://doi.org/10.1080/20403313.2023.2180883

### In progress

- 2. 'Aiding the impermissible? Kant and the morality of physician administered euthanasia'. Revise & resubmit, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*.
- 1. 'Review of the Current Opportunities and Challenges of Insects for Food and Feed', for *Nutrition Bulletin*. Invited contributing author for section on 'insect ethics'.

## Public engagement

- 21. Upcoming. An interview with Jake Wright on teaching philosophy and 'naïve scepticism', for LSE Higher Education blog.
- 20. 2021. 'No grades, no degree classes, just pass/fail' for LSE Higher Education blog.
- 19. 2021. 'A modest proposal: the case for a pass/fail first year at the LSE' for LSE Contemporary Issues in Teaching and Learning Blog.
- 18. 2021. 'Options for teaching the western canon: no more 'Plato to NATO' style courses' for LSE Contemporary Issues in Teaching and Learning Blog.
- 17. 2015. 'Should Vegetarians Consider Eating Insects?' in *Alternative Diets*. Cambridge: Independence Educational Publishers, 32-33.
- 16. 2015. 'Child Euthanasia Should Be Allowed' in *Opposing Viewpoints: Euthanasia*, Gale: Cengage Learning, 35-40.
- 15. February 2015. 'The Fundamental Elements of Rights' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 14. January 2015. 'Aboriginal rights and refusal of treatment in Canada' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 13. November 2014. 'A Methodological Worry for 'Top Down' Accounts of Human Rights' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 12. October 2014. 'The Humane and the Ethical in Animal Research' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'

- 11. September 2014. 'On the Supposed Importance of Cultural Traditions for Whaling Practice' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 10. July 2014. 'Principles for the Legalisation of Trade in Rhino Horn' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 9. June 2014. 'Should Vegetarians Consider Eating Insects?' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 8. May 2014. 'On Canada's Proposed Bill C-24: the So-Called 'Strengthening Canadian Citizenship' Act' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 7. March 2014. 'Reconsidering the Ethics of Enhanced Punishment' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 6. February 2014. 'Private Lives, Dying Wishes, and Technological Development' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 5. January 2014. 'Three Arguments Against the Belgian Child Euthanasia Bill, Criticised' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 4. October 2013. 'Can we have an Interest Theory of Rights for Animals, and a Will Theory for Humans?' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 3. October 2013. 'Can a Person in a Vegetative State get Married?' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 2. September 2013. 'Should Some People be Barred from Pursuing Higher Education?' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'
- 1. August 2013. 'Political Change and the Olympic Games' University of Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics blog 'Ethics in the News'

### **Recent Presentations**

- 14. Duties to self and moral agency
  - (i.) Duties to self workshop, University of Utrecht [co-organiser]. June 2025.
  - (ii.) Kant on civil subordination, Laval University [invited]. June 2025.
- 13. Aiding the impermissible: Kant and the morality of assisted dying
  - (i) University of Toronto Centre for Ethics [invited]. February 2024.
  - (ii) McMaster University, Department of Philosophy Speaker Series [invited]. February 2024.
  - (iii) Kant 300 Years from Now, University of Catania. October 2024.
  - (iv.) Kant Colloquium, University of St. Andrews. [invited] Spring 2025.
- 12. Kant and the primacy of duties to self in §2 of the Doctrine of Virtue 14<sup>th</sup> International Kant Congress, University of Bonn. September 2024.
- 11. Kantian duties to self, consent, and respect for persons
  - (i) Kantian Foundations of Democracy Group, University of Oslo [invited]. April 2024.
  - (ii) 300 Jahre Kant: Perspektiven für die Philosophie des 21. Jahrhunderts, Berlin-Brandenburgischen Akademie der Wissenschaften [invited]. April 2024.
- 10. The primacy of duties to self in §2 of the Doctrine of Virtue Multilateral Kant Colloquium, Universities of Parma and Ferrara. 2023.
- 9. *Inalienable rights (in Kant)* Kant & Migration, University of Bristol **[invited]**. 2023.

- 8. Duties to self, consent, and being used merely as a means
  - (i) Ethics and Political Philosophy Colloquium, University of Fribourg [invited]. 2023.
  - (ii) Means and Ends Kant Network [invited]. 2023.
- 7. Authority and acquisition: Kant on property in the state of nature Kant workshop, University of Fribourg [invited]. 2023.
- 6. Commentary on George Pavlakos' The Kantian Legal Relation as Radical Non-Positivism Law and Morality in Kant, University of Göttingen [invited]. 2022.
- 5. Kant's innate right and bodily rights ECPR General Conference, 2021.
- 4. Unilateral choice and the necessity of the state Justice, Peace, and Cosmopolitan Values, University of Lisbon. 2021.
- 3. Unilateral choice, property acquisition, and independence Political Philosophy Research Seminar, LSE [invited]. 2020.
- 2. Kant on provisional rights and the state: three theses Beyond the State and the Citizen, University of Economics, Prague. 2020.
- 1. Kant on civil self-sufficiency
  - (i) Humanity and personality in Kant, University of Lisbon. 2019.
  - (ii) New readings of Kant's political philosophy, University of Buenos Aires [invited]. 2019.

## Teaching

Graduate Kant (Oxford)

seminars Foundations in Political Theory (Oxford)

Undergraduate

lectures

Themes in Kant's Moral and Political Philosophy (Oxford)

Undergraduate Introduction to Political Theory (LSE)

tutorials Theory of Politics (Oxford)

Introduction to Theory of Politics (Oxford)

Kant (Oxford) Ethics (Oxford)

Early Modern Philosophy (Oxford) Introduction to Ethics (Toronto) Political Philosophy (Toronto)

Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology (Toronto)

Introduction to Philosophy (Toronto)

Undergraduate, General Philosophy (Oxford) grading only

Global Bioethics (Toronto)

Bioethics (Toronto)

Other teaching Philosophy of Rights (Alliance University, Bengaluru)

Essay writing workshop for politics students (LSE)

Graduate Mentor, Merton College Oxford Tutor, Oxford Summer Courses (OSC) Lead Tutor for Arts & Humanities, OSC

Tutor, Universify Education

### Professional service

Peer-review refereeing for: Ethics; Political Theory; Kantian Review; Philosophy & Phenomenological Research; Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy; Ethics & Global Politics; Philosophy and Social Criticism; Studi Kantiani; Kantian Journal; Con-textos Kantianos; European Journal of Bioethics; Philosophia.

June 2023-February 2025 Guest editor, Kantian Review, special issue on

sovereignty, nationality and language

2014, 2016, 2017 Admissions Assistant, Merton College

2017 Co-organiser, Kant on political change panel, ECPR

2016-2017 Co-organiser, Kant reading group

2016 Co-organiser, 'Kant, Rights, and the State' conference

Funded by: BSHP and the Mind Association

2014-2015 Co-organiser, Kant's Doctrine of Right reading group

2014 Reviewer, Graduate Conference (Oxford)
2013 Co-organiser, 'CRNAP' Workshop

2013 Reviewer, Canadian Bioethics Society Conference

## Professional membership

Member of the UK Kant Society

Member of the North American Kant Society

Member of the British Society for the History of Philosophy

Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy

Researcher in the international 'Kant in South America' research project (2018-2023)

Member of the 'Means and Ends Network'

### Awards and distinctions

2022-2025	Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship (value: £117,908 )
2021-2022	Fellow, Eden Centre for Education Enhancement, LSE

2021 LSE Excellence in Teaching Award

2017 Philosophy faculty lecturing scheme, University of Oxford

2010-2011 Socrates project, University of Toronto

2010 C.L. Burton Scholarship, University of Toronto

Winner, abstract writing competition, Canadian Bioethics Society
2009-2010 Honours seminar, Philosophy department, University of Toronto

## References

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