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AREAS OF RESEARCH

AoS: Social Philosophy (esp. Disability and Gender), Practical Rationality, Epistemology

AoC: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Action

EMPLOYMENT

2022- now Research Fellow at the Centre for Advanced Studies in the Humanities
‘Human Abilities’, Humboldt University and Freie Universität Berlin

EDUCATION

2018-2022 PhD Philosophy, London School of Economics
Thesis: ‘Robust Abilities: Semantics, Social Norms and (Self-)knowledge’
Committee: Rae Langton, Helen Steward, Anna Mahtani, and Christian List

2015-2016 MA Philosophy, King’s College London (*Distinction*)

2011-2014 BA Liberal Arts, University College Maastricht (*Cum Laude*)
2013 University of Sydney, Visiting Student

PUBLICATIONS

Kikkert, S. (2022), ‘Ability’s Two Dimensions of Robustness’, *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*, 122(3), 348-357.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

‘(Dis)ability, Test-cases, and Normality’ *Under review*

‘Ability-knowledge and Epistemic Disadvantage’ *Commissioned Book Chapter*

‘Ability, Possibility, and Distribution over Disjunction’

‘Knowing What You Can Do’ (with Tom Schoonen)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2018-2022 LSE PhD Studentship - Fees and Stipend

2021 APA Graduate Student Stipend

2019/2020 LSE Departmental Teaching Award (2x)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Ability-knowledge and Epistemic Disadvantage”

Joint Session, Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, London, July 2023

LMU Research Seminar in Decision Theory and Action, Munich, January 2023

The Science and Philosophy of Modal Thought, ‘Human Abilities’ Berlin, December 2022

“Is Disability a Lack of Certain Abilities?”

Workshop on Mental Disorders and Modal Properties, ‘Human Abilities’ Berlin, June 2023

“(Dis)ability, Test-cases, and Normality”

Understanding Value XI, Sheffield, March 2023

FU Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Berlin, November 2021

“Ability’s Two Dimensions of Robustness”

Joint Session, Postgraduate Session, Aristotelian Society and Mind Association, July 2021

Mind, Language and Metaphysics Graduate Conference, Durham, May 2021

“Good Prospects for a Modal Account of Ability”

Pacific APA, April 2021

European Congress for Analytic Philosophy, August 2020

TEACHING

2020 Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education: Associate Fellowship, *UK Higher Education Academy*

2020-21 Philosophy of the Social Sciences, LSE, Seminar Teacher

Topics: The value-free ideal; explanation and prediction; individualism and holism; social ontology and social kinds; hermeneutical injustice; rational and structural explanation; institutions; objectivity; bias and discrimination.

2019-20 and 2018-19 The Big Questions: Introduction to Philosophy, LSE, Seminar Teacher

Topics: Radical scepticism; personal identity; free will; theories of truth; consciousness; animal sentience; the ethics of belief; utilitarianism; Kantian ethics; death and the meaning of life.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2022-23 Co-organiser of Reading Group on 'Agency, Abilities, and the Social Environment' (Berlin)

2022-23 Organiser of Reading Group on John Maier's 'Options and Agency' (Berlin)

2021-22 Co-organiser of the LSE Minorities and Philosophy Chapter

2021-22 Co-organiser of the LSE Choice Group

2019-20 Convener of the LSE PhD Work in Progress Seminar

Reviewer for i.a. *The Journal of Philosophy*, *Erkenntnis*, and *Philosophers' Imprint*

REFERENCES

Available on request