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Areas of Specialization

Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

History of Analytic Philosophy, Logic, Metaethics

Education

- **University of St Andrews & University of Stirling** St Andrews, Scotland
PhD Philosophy, Supervisors: Crispin Wright (80%) and Gillian Russell (20%) *2019 - 2023*
— Thesis: *Philosophy and the Aim for Truth*
Examiners: Huw Price and Peter Sullivan (Defended May 2023)
- **New York University** New York, USA
Visiting PhD Student *Fall 2022*
- **University of St Andrews & University of Stirling** St Andrews, Scotland
MLitt Philosophy (Distinction) Supervisor: Crispin Wright *2018 - 2019*
— Dissertation: *Alethic Pluralism in Three Tenets* (Distinction)
- **University of Amsterdam** Amsterdam, The Netherlands
BA Philosophy *2015 - 2018*

Publications

- “The Practical Bearings of Truth as Correspondence,” *Erkenntnis*, (2023)
- “Truth and Its Uses: Deflationism and Alethic Pluralism,” *Synthese*, 202, 130 (2023)
- “Speak No Ill of The Dead: The Dead as a Social Group ,” *Synthese*, 200, 210 (2022)
First Author, co-written with Jacob LiBrizzi, Duccio Calosi & Yoichi Kobe
- “Alethic Pluralism for Pragmatists ,” *Synthese*, 200, 60 (2022)

Academic Activities

- Creator and Host of the podcast *Doing Philosophy*
- Lead guest editor for Synthese’s Topical Collection “Alethic Pluralism and Its Critics ” (with Niccolò Pisano and Crispin Wright)
- Co-organizer (with Niccolò Pisano) of the conference *How Could Truth Possibly Be Plural?* for Arché at the Univeristy of St Andrews (June 2021)
- Co-organizer (with Niccolò Pisano) of the conference *Integrated Information Theory of Consciousness: Current State and Perspectives* for Arché at the Univeristy of St Andrews (June 2021)
- Reviewer for *Dialectica* and *Inquiry*

Talks

- “Disagreement and Philosophical Progress”
10th Annual University of Calgary Philosophy Graduate Conference Calgary, Canada
May 2022
- “Philosophical Progress Without Convergence”
Iowa Graduate Philosophy Conference Iowa, USA
Apr 2022
- “Correspondence as Convenient Friction”
Arché Language & Mind Seminar St Andrews, Scotland
Apr 2022
- “Metaphilosophical Expressivism”
SOPhiA 2021 Salzburg, Austria
Sep 2021
- “De Mortuis Nil Nisi Bonum (with LiBrizzi, Calosi, and Kobe)”
Social Ontology 2021 San Diego, USA
Aug 2021
- “Is Philosophical Discourse Representational?”
Phigs Summer Colloquium 2021 Kent, UK
Jul 2021
- “Asserting and Alethic Pluralism”
PhiLang 2021 Lodz, Poland
May 2021
- “A Sellarsian Account of Truth and Asserting”
Roman Ingarden and Our Times. An International Philosophical Congress Krakow, Poland
Apr 2021
- “Sellarsian Alethic Pluralism”
APA Pacific Division (Poster Session) Portland, USA
Apr 2021
- “Truth and Asserting”
Contemporary Philosophical Issues PhD Rijeka, Croatia
Jan 2021
- “Truth and Asserting”
Arché Language & Mind Seminar St Andrews, Scotland
Dec 2020
- “Pragmatism, Correspondence, and Alethic Pluralism”
OZSW 2020 Conference Tilburg, The Netherlands
Dec 2020

- “Alethic Pluralism for Pragmatists” Connecticut, USA
Virtual International Consortium for Truth Research (Work in Progress Talk) Dec 2020
- “Alethic Pluralism for Pragmatists” Maribor, Slovenia
Philosophy Students’ Symposium Nov 2020
- “A Pragmatist Account of Alethic Pluralism” Adelaide, Australia
Australasian Postgraduate Philosophy Conference Sep 2020

Teaching

Tutoring at the University of St Andrews

- PY2013 Moral and Aesthetic Value
Three groups, 30 students Spring 2022
- PY2010 Intermediate Logic
Two groups, 17 students Fall 2021
- PY1012 Reasoning
Two groups, 20 students Spring 2021
- PY2011 Foundations Of Western Philosophy
Three groups, 29 students Fall 2020
- PY2012 Meaning and Knowing
Two groups, 20 students Spring 2020
- PY1010 Mind and World
Two groups, 19 students Fall 2019

Referees

- **Crispin Wright** Department of Law & Philosophy, University of Stirling,
The Pathfoot Building, Stirling, FK9 4LA United Kingdom
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- **Huw Price** Trinity College, Cambridge & Department of Philosophy, University of Bonn,
Trinity College, Cambridge, CB2 1TQ United Kingdom
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- **Peter Sullivan** Department of Law & Philosophy, University of Stirling,
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- **Francesco Berto** Department of Philosophy, University of St Andrews
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- **Andrew Howat** Department of Philosophy, California State University, Fullerton
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