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Areas of Specialization

Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

History of Analytic Philosophy, Logic, Metaethics

Academic Employment

- **University of Chicago** — Chicago, USA
  Harper-Schmidt Fellow & Collegiate Assistant Professor — 2024-2028
  The College & The Department of Philosophy

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 (Dinstinction) 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 *The Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, and *Inquiry*

Talks

"The Philosophical Purport of the Post-Truth Crisis" *2025 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Meating*	New York, USA *January 2025*
"The Goals of Philosophy" *The Weissbourd Symposium*	Chicago, USA *October 2024*
"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" Portland, USA
  APA Pacific Division (Poster Session) *Apr 2021*

- "Truth and Asserting" Rijeka, Croatia
  Contemporary Philosophical Issues PhD *Jan 2021*

- "Truth and Asserting" St Andrews, Scotland
  Arché Language & Mind Seminar *Dec 2020*

- "Pragmatism, Correspondence, and Alethic Pluralism" Tilburg, The Netherlands
  OZSW 2020 Conference *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

Lecturing at The College, University of Chicago

- HUMA11500 Philosophical Perspectives I *Fall 2024*

Tutoring at the University of St Andrews

- PY2013 Moral and Aesthetic Value *Spring 2022*

- PY2010 Intermediate Logic *Fall 2021*

- PY1012 Reasoning *Spring 2021*

- PY2011 Foundations Of Western Philosophy *Fall 2020*

- PY2012 Meaning and Knowing *Spring 2020*

- PY1010 Mind and World *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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