

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Research areas

AOS: metaphysics. AOC: religion, logic.

## Academic history

- 2021–      Assistant Professor, Institute of Philosophy  
             Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE)
- 2020–22    Principal Investigator, “Resuscitating the metaphysics of teleology”  
             Center for Religious Studies, Central European University(CEU)
- 2020        Research Fellow  
             Institute of Philosophy, Eötvös Loránd Research Network
- 2017–20    Adjunct lecturer, ELTE and CEU
- 2014–17    Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Metaphysics  
             University of Oxford
- 2015        PhD in philosophy  
             Central European University
- 2010        MA in philosophy  
             University of Pécs, Hungary
- 2004        BA in economics  
             Corvinus University, Hungary

## Publications

- In defense of teleological intuitions (co-authored with Gergely Kertész)  
             *Philosophical Studies* (forthcoming)
- The metaphysical poverty of naturalism  
             In R. Weir and B. Göcke (eds), *From Existentialism to Metaphysics:  
             The Philosophy of Stephen Priest*, Peter Lang (2021)
- Humean idealism  
             *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (2023)
- Who is almighty? *Religious Studies* (2021)
- Evil and the god of indifference (co-authored with László Bernáth).  
             *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* (2020)

Revisiting the epistemic regress of dispositions.  
*The Philosophical Quarterly* (2019)

Counterfactuals and accessibility. *Thought* (2016)

Religious evil: The basic issues. *Philosophy Compass* (2016)

Intrinsic causation in Humean Supervenience. *Ratio* (2015)

Open future and modal anti-realism. *Philosophical Studies* (2014)

The problem of religious evil. *Religious Studies* (2014)

## Grants and awards

2020	\$62,000 <i>New Horizons for Science and Religion in Central and Eastern Europe</i> subgrant (Ian Ramsey Centre, Oxford) Project title: “Meant to be: Resuscitating the Metaphysics of Teleology”
2019	Oxford University Essay Prize for Eastern European Perspectives on Science, Theology, and Humane Philosophy
2014	<i>Religious Studies</i> Postgraduate Essay Prize (co-winner)
2014	Academic Achievement Award for Advanced Students, CEU
2013	Doctoral Research Support Grant to visit Rutgers University, awarded by CEU
2012	Arthur C. Peacocke student essay prize Science and Religion Forum, UK
2012	Academic Achievement Award for First-Year Students, CEU
2010	summa cum laude, University of Pécs

## Talks

January 2023 “What is intrinsic teleology? Should materialists be afraid of it?” (keynote)  
 New Generation Research Exchange Conference  
 Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb

March 2021 “Metaphysical undecidability”  
 Logic and Philosophy of Science Seminar  
 Eötvös Loránd University

March 2021 “Who’s afraid of teleology?”  
 New Work on the Metaphysics of Teleology seminar  
 Center for Religious Studies, CEU

November 2020 “Spooky teleology”

New Work on the Metaphysics of Teleology seminar  
Center for Religious Studies, CEU

November 2020 “Probability as teleology”

Logic and Philosophy of Science Seminar  
Eötvös Loránd University

June 2019 “The metaphysical poverty of naturalism”

The Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion,  
University of Oxford

April 2019 “The philosophy of logical atomist idealism”

*Language, Logic and Reality: The Legacy of Russell's Logical Atomism*,  
University of Pécs

December 2018 “Naturalizing the metaphysical naturalist”

*Dualism in the 21st Century* conference, CEU

September 2017 “The ballad of the metaphysical naturalist”

Departmental seminar, Budapest Technical University (BME)

June 2017 “Reformed epistemology vs naturalized religion”

Theoretical Work in Progress Seminar, Jesus College, Oxford.

May 2017 “Two Gnostic theodicies”

King's College, London.

July 2016 “The sad truth about power-based counterfactuals”

The Joint Session (open sessions), Cardiff University.

January 2016 “Quantum idealism”

Mind & Metaphysics: A Conference in Honour of Howard Robinson  
Central European University.

Sept 2015 “Divine hiddenness and the possibility of rational atheists”

British Society for Philosophy of Religion annual conference  
University of Oxford.

July 2015 (with George Darby) “Entanglement as emergence?”

Physics and Emergence Workshop, Durham University.

July 2015 “The strict conditional analysis of dispositions”

The Joint Session (open sessions), University of Warwick.

June 2015 “The strict conditional analysis of dispositions”

Workshop on Dispositions, University of Stuttgart.

- March 2015: “Organic unity and intensive quantities”  
Stapledon talks, University of Liverpool.
- March 2015 “In defense of counterlegal worlds”  
Theoretical Work in Progress Seminar, New College, Oxford.
- May 2013 “Constitutive concepts and the manifest image”  
Perception and Concepts, University of Riga.
- April 2013 “Constitutive concepts and the manifest image”  
Perception and Understanding, University College Dublin.
- September 2012 “Objective mind-dependent structures”  
Structuralism Project Closing Conference, University of Bristol.
- August 2012 “Idealism, perdurance, and direct reference”  
General and Particular in Thought and Language  
Inter-University Center Dubrovnik.
- July 2012 “Naturalizing metaphysical semantics”  
Reality Making: Exploring Fundamentals in Metaphysics  
University of Nottingham.
- Nov 2011 “Is Owens’s theory of causation realist or anti-realist?”  
Workshop on the Philosophy of David Owens  
Central European University.

## Philosophy outreach

- 2021– *FiloVizio*, a Hungarian philosophy YouTube channel  
([filovizio.hu/youtube](https://filovizio.hu/youtube))
- 2017 Philosophy tutor at St Bartholomew’s School and  
Pewsey Vale School (working for The Brilliant Club).
- 2017 “Quantum entanglement: A Muder Mystery”  
The Philosophy Club, Radley School, Oxford
- 2017 “Does history have an end?”  
Philosophy Study Day, Corpus Christi College, Oxford
- 2016 “The pros and cons of time travel”  
UNIQ summer school, University of Oxford
- 2016 Can you convince a BIV that his world isn’t real?”  
The Philosophy Club, Radley School, Oxford

2015 “The problem of evil”  
The Philosophy Club, Radley School, Oxford

## Teaching experience

2020– BA, MA, and PhD courses in metaphysics, epistemology, and philosophy of science (4 per semester), ELTE

2017–20 BA seminars in metaphysics and religion (1 per semester), ELTE

2015–17 undergraduate philosophy tutor, University of Oxford

## Editing

2022– *Teleology for the 21st Century*  
special issue of *Synthese* (co-editors: László Bernáth, Martin Pickup)

2017 *The Metaphysics of the Trinity*  
special issue of *Religious Studies* (co-editors: Martin Pickup, Anna Marmodoro)

## Service to the profession

Refereeing: American Philosophical Quarterly, Analytic Philosophy, International Journal of Philosophy and Theology, Mind, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Philosophia, Religious Studies, Sophia, Synthese, The Philosophical Quarterly.

Conference organizing: *The Metaphysics of the Trinity: New Directions*,  
Corpus Christi College, Oxford, March 2016

Outreach organizing:  
*What is Quantum Entanglement?* Talk by Prof. Andrew Steane,  
London Philosophy Club, Feb 2016.

## Languages

Hungarian (native), English (fluent).

## References

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