

Assistant Professor, Tufts University.

## ■ AOS & AOC

AOS Mind, Cognitive Science, Ethics.

AOC Action, PPE, AI.

## ■ Education

2026 Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.  
Thesis supervised by C. Sripada, R. Holton, P. Railton, S. Buss, H.Y. Wong and T. Lee.  
Cognitive Science Certificate. Center for Research on Learning and Teaching Certificate.  
Visiting Student at Peterhouse College, Cambridge. Research Affiliate at New York University.

2019 M.A. Philosophy, Tübingen.  
Research Associate in Philosophy. Teaching Assistant in Philosophy. Research Intern in Psychiatry Lab.

2016 B.A. Philosophy and Economics, Mannheim.  
Teaching Assistant in Philosophy.

## ■ Publications - Philosophy

2026 Difficulty, **MIND**.

forthcoming The Cognitive Control Account of Effort, **Journal of Philosophy**.

forthcoming Moral Burnout, **Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society**.

2023 Agentially Controlled Action: Causal, Not Counterfactual, **Philosophical Studies**.

2022 Who Knows What Mary Knew?, Daniel Gregory, *Malte Hendrickx*, and Cameron Turner, **Philosophical Psychology**.

## ■ Other Publications

2026 Not Without Cost: The Philosophical and Psychological Drawback of Hybrid Effort Models, *Malte Hendrickx*, **Behavioral and Brain Sciences**.

2025 German translation of the Oxford Utilitarianism Scale: validation and impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the observations, Aiste Ambrase, *Malte Hendrickx*, Melissa Grahlow, Hong-Yu Wong, Birgit Derntl, **PLOS ONE**.

2025 Why Were There No Human Challenge Trials for Covid-19 Vaccines?, Applications of Public Choice Theory to Public Policy, **Edited Volume, Bloomsbury Publishing**, eds. Meehan, Lemke, and Aligica, 2025.

## ■ Awards and Honors

**Cornwell Prize and Fellowship**, Competitive research prize awarding one year of teaching buyout for best philosophy paper submission among graduate students: "Difficulty", Michigan.

**Weinberg Cognitive Science Prize and Fellowship**, Competitive research fellowship one year of teaching buyout for promising research in cognitive science, Michigan.

**Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award**, Competitive university teaching prize, awarded to 20 graduate students out of a pool of more than 2000. Described as "*The highest honor for teaching that the university awards to graduate students*", Michigan.

**Faculty Prize for Excellence in Teaching**, Competitive department teaching prize, Michigan.

**Special Prize for Leadership in Cocurricular Enrichment**, Competitive service prize for outstanding engagement within and outside the philosophy department, Michigan.

**Rackham One-Term Dissertation Fellowship**, Faculty-nominated prize for dissertation titled 'Ambition', Michigan.

**Weinberg Award**, For distinction in second-year coursework, Michigan.

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## Fellowships

- 2025 Life Worth Living Fellowship, Course-development fellowship for Philosophy and Human Nature at Yale Center for Faith & Culture, Yale Divinity School.
- 2023-2025 Adam Smith Fellowship, Two-time fellow at a competitive one-year program for graduate students working in political philosophy and economic theory, Mercatus Center.
- 2025 Academic Mentorship Fellowship, Competitive fellowship to coauthor a project on Moral Demands and Costs, Institute for Humane Studies.
- 2024 International Institute Student Fellowship, Research & Teaching at Neuchâtel University, Institute Jean Nicod (Paris) and Peterhouse College (Cambridge), Rackham Graduate School.
- 2024 Junior Fellowship, Competitive invite-only summer teaching buyout for research in political economy, Institute for Humane Studies.
- 2019-2022 Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship, Three-time fellow at a competitive one-year program for graduate students working in public policy and political economy, Mercatus Center.
- 2016 MA Fellowship, Competitive 3-year fellowship, Friedrich Naumann Stiftung.

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## Teaching Experience

As Primary Instructor

- 2024 **Philosophy of Human Nature**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2024 **Efforts and Capacities**, University of Neuchâtel, co-taught with O. Massin and K. Koslicki.
- 2020 **Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Moral Questions**, University of Tübingen.
- 2019 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.
- 2018 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.
- 2017 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.

As Teaching Assistant

- 2023 Critical Reasoning, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2023 Introduction to Cognitive Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2022 Critical Reasoning, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2022 Changing the World, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2019 Philosophy of Science, University of Tübingen.
- 2018 Philosophy of Cognitive Science, University of Tübingen.
- 2017 Philosophy of Action, University of Tübingen.
- 2016 Business Ethics, University of Mannheim.

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## Academic Work Experience

- 2019-2020 Research Associate, Faculty of Philosophy, University Tübingen.  
Research, Teaching and Third-Party Funding Acquisition.
- 2019 Research Internship, Innovative Functional Neuroimaging Methods, Uniklinik Tübingen.  
Conception, Creation, Execution and Analysis of Experiments in Moral Psychology.

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## Academic Talks

### Rational Burnout

- Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Baltimore, 2026
- Institute for Humane Studies, Charlotte, 2026

### Moral Burnout

- American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Baltimore, 2026
- Aristotelian Society Postgraduate Session, Glasgow, 2025
- PPE Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2025
- Markets and Society, Virginia, 2025
- Swiss Philosophical Association, Neuchâtel, 2025
- Postgraduate Working Group, University of Cambridge, 2025
- Effort and Value Workshop, University of Neuchâtel, 2025
- Graduate Conference, Institute for Humane Studies, 2025
- International Society for Utilitarian Studies Annual Meeting, London, 2024
- Humane Studies Junior Research Workshop, Raleigh, North Carolina, 2024

### Effort

- American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, 2026
- Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge, 2024
- Mind and Cognition: Philosophical and Psychological Perspectives, University of Tübingen, 2024
- New Work in Philosophical Psychology Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2024
- European Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting, Prague, 2023
- The Value of Effort Workshop, University of Neuchâtel, 2022

### Difficulty

- Mental Sciences, University of Cambridge, 2024
- Early Career Research Workshop, University of Bochum, 2023
- Effort and The Nature of Self-Control Workshop, University of Neuchâtel, 2022
- Philosophy of Neuroscience Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2022
- AGENT Conference, University of Texas, Austin, 2021

### Difficulty and Demandingness

- PPE Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2023
- Philosophy of Neuroscience Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2023
- Graduate Conference, Institute for Humane Studies, 2023
- Gesellschaft für Utilitarismusstudien, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, 2023

### Agentially Controlled Action: Causal, not Counterfactual

- American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, 2022
- Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Mobile, Alabama, 2022
- European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Leipzig, 2021

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## Public-Facing Talks and Guest Lectures

- 2026 Who is the Father of Modern Science?, Stand-Up Comedy at The Perfect Joke Formula, Caveat, New York City.
- 2024 The Warring States: Confucius, Laozi and Mozi, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.
- 2024 Open Research Questions in the Study of Effort, *Guest Lecture*, Neuchâtel.
- 2024 The Mind in Moral Psychology: A Brief History, *Guest Lecture*, Tübingen.
- 2023 Philosophy of AI: How to Evaluate Deep Learning Models, *Guest Lecture*, Tübingen.
- 2023 The Mind-Body Problem Abridged: A Primer, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.
- 2023 Bayesian Updating Made Easy: Odds Formulation, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.

- 2020 On Liberty and Mill's Relevance for Modern Liberalism, Talk at Junge Liberale, Düsseldorf.
- 2020 Human Capacities, Talk at Verein zur Förderung studentischen Lebens, Tübingen.
- 2020 Ethics and Evidence: Doing Good Better, Talk at Deutsche Reformjugend, Hannover.

## Service and Leadership

### Departmental Service

- Mind and Moral Psychology, Organizer, 2022-2025
- Graduate Representative, 2023, 2025
- Funding 101 Workshop, Organizer, 2023, 2025
- Princeton-Michigan AI Group, Organizer, 2022-2024
- Ethics High School Bowl: Judge, Coach, 2021, 2023
- Philosophy with Kids, 2021
- Graduate Student Working Group, Organizer, 2021

### Professional Service

- Editor *Philosopher's Annual; Synthese Special Issue Philosophy of Effort*
- Reviewer *Philosophical Studies; Philosophical Psychology; Inquiry; Metaphysics; Journal of Applied Philosophy*
- Organizer *Philosophy Against Malaria; Various Conferences and Workshops*

## Grants

- 2025 Research Grant, Moral Burnout.
- 2020-2024 Rackham Travel Grants, Trying, Controlling, Acting; Effort; Difficulty and Demandingness; Agential Action: Causal, not Counterfactual.
- 2022-2024 Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science Grants, Difficulty; Cognitive Control.
- 2024 Residency Grant, for work at Center for Ethics, Mind and Policy, NYU, Effort.
- 2022 Conference Travel Grant, Difficulty and Demandingness.
- 2021 Rackham Research Grant, Difficulty.
- 2021 MMP Organizer Grant, Mind and Moral Psychology.
- 2020 Universitätsbund Research Grant, Who Knows What Mary Knew?.
- 2019 Universitätsbund Conference Grant, The Phylogeny of Mind.
- 2018 Udo Keller Stiftung Forum Humanum, Psychology of punitive interactions with robots.

## References

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- Sarah Buss *Michigan*, [sbuss@umich.edu](mailto:sbuss@umich.edu)
- Richard Holton *Cambridge*, [rjh221@cam.ac.edu](mailto:rjh221@cam.ac.edu)
- Hong Yu Wong *Tübingen*, [hong-yu.wong@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:hong-yu.wong@uni-tuebingen.de)
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