# Nick Hughes

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# **EMPLOYMENT**

#### Current:

Leverhulme Early Career Fellow in Philosophy, University of Oxford

#### Previous:

- 2018-2019: Junior Research Fellow, Durham University
- 2016-2018: IRC Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University College Dublin
- 2015-2016: Stipendiary Researcher, University of Oslo

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

- AOS: Epistemology, Ethics, Normativity
- AOC: Philosophical Methodology, Philosophy of Action

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- Disagreement, Dogmatism, and the Bounds of Philosophy International Journal of Philosophical Studies. Forthcoming
- Dilemmic Epistemology

  Synthese. Vol. 196 (10) pp. 4059-4090 (2019)
- Knowledgeable Assertion in the Image of Knowledgeable Belief
   Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy. Vol. 62 (2) pp. 168-184. (2019)
- Uniqueness, Rationality, and The Norm of Belief Erkenntnis. Vol. 84 (1) pp. 57-75 (2019)
- Luminosity Failure, Normative Guidance, and The Principle Ought-Implies-Can Utilitas. Vol. 30 (4) pp. 439-457. (2018)
- Guidance, Obligations, and Ability: A Close Look at The Action Guidance Argument For Ought-Implies-Can *Utilitas*. Vol. 30 (1) pp. 73-85. (2018)
- No Excuses: Against the Knowledge Norm of Belief Thought: A Journal of Philosophy. Vol 6. (3) pp. 157-166 (2017)
- Do We Matter?
   Aeon, June 2017

- Consistency and Evidence *Philosophical Studies*. Vol. 169 (2), pp. 333-338 (2014)
- Is Knowledge the Ability to Φ For the Reason That P?
   Episteme. Vol. 11 (4), pp. 457-462 (2014)

# COMMISSIONED / IN PROGRESS

# Books in progress:

- *Dilemmic Epistemology:* A monograph developing a new position in epistemology 'Dilemmism' and employing it to shed light on foundational issues in normative epistemology, ethics, and the theory of rationality.
- Essays on Epistemic Dilemmas: An edited collection of essays on the topic of epistemic dilemmas, under contract
  with Oxford University Press. Contributors: Timothy Williamson, Ralph Wedgwood, Ram Neta, Matthew
  McGrath, Anna-Maria Eder, Daniel Greco, Clayton Littlejohn, Jacob Ross, Catrin-Campbell Moore, Mikkel
  Gerken, Errol Lord, Kurt Sylvan, Juan Comesana, Declan Smithies, Nick Hughes, Alex Worsnip.

# Articles commissioned or in progress:

- Epistemology Without Guidance
- Are the Requirements of Rationality Immune to Rational Doubt?
- An article on evidence and bias for the Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Evidence
- An article for the forthcoming Routledge volume 'Epistemic Dilemmas: New Arguments, New Angles'

# **EDUCATION**

PhD, Philosophy, September 2010 - June 2015

University of St Andrews & University of Oslo

Title: "The Nature and Roles of Knowledge"

Submitted: Dec 2014, Awarded: June 2015

Supervisors: Prof. Herman Cappelen (Joint primary), Prof. Jessica Brown (Joint primary) Committee: Prof. Timothy Williamson (Oxford), Prof. Jennifer Lackey (Northwestern)

Visiting PhD Student, Philosophy, October 2013 - March 2014

 University of Oxford Supervisors: Prof. Timothy Williamson, Prof. John Hawthorne

Visiting PhD Student, Philosophy, October 2011 - December 2011

• Rutgers University Supervisors: Prof. Jason Stanley, Prof. Brian Weatherson

Master of Arts, Philosophy, September 2009

University College London

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, September 2007

• University College London

# **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

2019-2022: Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship, University of Oxford

• Value: £150,000 (approx.)

2016-2018: Irish Research Council Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

• Value: €85,000 (approx.)

2012-2016: University of Oslo Doctoral Fellowship

• Value: £180,000 (approx.)

2010-2014: Arts and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Award, University of St Andrews

• Value: £45,000 (approx.)

# **TEACHING**

2015: EXPHIL03E: History of Philosophy and Science, Ethics

- Seminar Leader
- Undergraduate Introduction to Philosophy Course, University of Oslo
- Topics: Contemporary Ethics, Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, Hume, Kant

2015: FIL42000: Epistemology and Philosophy of Science

- Lecturer & Instructor of Record
- Research Masters Course, University of Oslo
- Topics: Anti-Luminosity, Higher-Order Evidence, Knowledge & Action

2013: PY1006: Reasoning and Knowledge

- Tutor, Undergraduate Course
- University of St Andrews
- Topics: A Priori Knowledge, Induction, Scepticism, Analysis of Knowledge, Introductory Formal Logic

# SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (\* = invited. † = refereed. ‡ = in-house.)

2019: Epistemology Without Guidance

- University of Vienna (upcoming) \*
- University of Oslo (upcoming) \*
- University of Oxford (upcoming) ‡
- University of Cologne 'Epistemic Conflicts' Workshop \*

2019: Are the Requirements of Rationality Immune to Rational Doubt?

- University of Cologne \*
- University of Sheffield \*

- Kings College London \*
- University of Helsinki \*

2018: Are the Requirements of Rationality Immune to Rational Doubt?

University of St Andrews \*

# 2018: Epistemic Dilemmas

- Humboldt Normativity Conference, Berlin †
- Logic, Epistemology, & Metaphysics Group, Institute of Philosophy, London \*
- European Epistemology Network Meeting, VU Amsterdam †

2018: Luminosity Failure, Normative Guidance, and the Principle 'Ought-Implies-Can'

• Joint Session, University of Oxford †

2017: Commentary on Edouard Machery's "Philosophy Within Its Proper Bounds

• University College Dublin, Author Meets Critics Session ‡

2017: A Dilemmic Approach to The Epistemology of Disagreement

Disagreement In Science and Beyond WEXD Workshop, University College Dublin ‡

# 2017: Dilemmic Epistemology

- University of Oslo \*
- University of Leuven \*

2016: A Close Look at The Action Guidance Argument For Ought-Implies-Can

• University College Dublin ‡

2015: Damned If You Do, Damned If You Don't: A Defense Of Doxastic Dilemmas

- Epistemic Incoherence Workshop, University of St Andrews \*
- Holmenkollen Workshop, Holmenkollen, University of Oslo ‡

2015: Epistemic Permissibility and Epistemic Irrationality

- Harvard-MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference, Harvard University †
- JustGroningen Workshop on Epistemic Justification, University of Groningen †
- 6th Annual Northwestern/Notre Dame Graduate Epistemology Conference, Notre Dame University †

2015: Internalism and Externalism

• Public Lecture, University of Oslo ‡

2015: From Moore's Paradox to the Knowledge Norm of Belief

CSMN Work in Progress Seminar, University of Oslo ‡

2014: Is Knowledge the Ability to  $\Phi$  For the Reason that P?

WCPA Annual Conference, University of British Columbia †

2014: Is the self a fiction?

- Change My Mind project, Barbican Centre \*
- Change My Mind project, Praxis Studios \*

2013: Consistency and Evidence

- University of Stockholm Graduate Conference †
- University of Manchester Open Minds VIII Conference †
- University of Edinburgh Epistemology Graduate Conference †

2013: Commentary on Stephen Hetherington's 'Knowledge as potential for action'

• University of Cambridge Roles of Knowledge Conference \*

2013: Commentary on Daniel Whiting's 'Belief, Truth, Rationality, and The Lottery'

• Oslo/Southampton Aims & Norms of Belief: Judgment & Reasoning Workshop ‡

2012: Iterated Moorean Conjunctions

- Arché Evidence, Justification, and Knowledge seminar, University of St Andrews ‡
- CSMN Colloquium, University of Oslo ‡

2011: Justifications, excuses, and epistemic norms of practical reasoning

• Arché Contextualism and Relativism seminar, University of St Andrews ‡

# INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SERVICE

- Journal Referee: Philosophers' Imprint, Analysis, Philosophical Studies, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy
  Synthese, Erkenntnis, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, dialectica, Episteme, Inquiry, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly,
  Theoria, International Journal of Philosophical Studies, Journal of the American Philosophical Association
- Co-founder & Organiser: 2019-2020 Oxford Epistemology Group
- Founder & Organiser: Oslo House Lectures, London
- Lead Organiser: 2018-2019 Durham Normativity Seminar
- Co-organiser: 2017-2018 Bloomsbury Epistemology Group, University of London
- Referee, 2015 Fordham University Summer Seminar on Understanding
- Co-organiser, 2013 Arché/CSMN Graduate Conference
- Lead Organiser, 2012 Arché/CSMN Graduate Conference
- Referee 2011, Arché/CSMN Graduate Conference

# REFERENCES

Prof. Timothy Williamson Wykeham Professor of Logic University of Oxford timothy.williamson@philosophy.ox.ac.uk Prof. Clayton Littlejohn Professor of Philosophy King's College London clayton.littlejohn@kcl.ac.uk Prof. Herman Cappelen Professor of Philosophy University of Oslo herman.cappelen@gmail.com