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Area of Specialization

- Metaphysics

Areas of Competence

- Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Physics, Philosophical Logic

Employment

- Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Amsterdam: September 2016 – August 2020. Funded by a Veni grant, awarded by the *Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research* (NWO).
- Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Hamburg: October 2015 – September 2016. Funded by Kit Fine's Anneliese Maier award, awarded by the *Humboldt Foundation*.

Education

- PhD in Philosophy, University of St Andrews: 1 September 2011 - 4 June 2015. Thesis: *A Fragmented World*. Supervisors: Katherine Hawley and Aaron Cotnoir. Examiners: Kit Fine and Gabriel Uzquiano. Member of *Arché: Philosophical Research Centre*.
- MLitt in Philosophy, University of St Andrews: 2010 - 2011.
- MA in Continental Philosophy, University of Warwick: 2009 - 2010.
- BA Honours in Philosophy, University of Leuven: 2008 - 2009.
- Great Books Programme, Bard College Berlin (formerly ECLA): 2007 - 2008.
- BSc in Liberal Arts and Sciences, University College Utrecht (Utrecht University): 2004 - 2007.

Publications

- (forthcoming), 'Against Fundamentality-Based Metaphysics', *Noûs*.
- (forthcoming), 'A Passage Theory of Time', *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics: Volume 10*, eds. Dean Zimmerman and Karen Bennett. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- (2016), 'Perspectival Variance and Worldly Fragmentation', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 94 (1): 42-57.
- (2015), 'On Fine's Fragmentalism', *Philosophical Studies* 172 (12): 3119—3133.

Articles in progress / under review

- 'Symmetry and the Elimination of Arbitrary Choice'. Under review.
- 'In Defence of a Fragmentalist Interpretation of Special Relativity'. In progress.

Teaching Experience

As lecturer:

- *Topics in the Philosophy of Mind* (2016, co-taught with Giovanni Merlo), University of Hamburg, for MA students.

As tutor:

- *Text, Context and Debate: Quine* (2016), University of Amsterdam, coordinator: Arianna Betti.
- *Mind and Reality* (2014), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Simon Prosser.
- *Rationality and Action* (2014), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Justin Snedegar.
- *Formal and Philosophical Logic* (2014), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Aaron Cotnoir.
- *Metaphysics and Science* (2013), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Patrick Greenough.
- *Reasoning and Knowledge* (2013), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Ephraim Glick.
- *Mind and Reality* (2012), University of St Andrews, coordinator: Derek Ball.

Talks (invited talks only)

- *Considerations Against Fundamentality-Based Metaphysics*. Topics in Ontology and Metaontology Workshop, University of Uppsala (Sweden): September 2016.
- *In Defence of a Fragmentalist Interpretation of Special Relativity*. Spacetime and Fundamentality workshop, Neuchâtel (Switzerland): June 2016.
- *Against Fundamentality-Based Metaphysics*. Fundamentality Workshop, Humboldt University, Berlin (Germany): June 2016
- *In Defence of a Fragmentalist Interpretation of Special Relativity*. Philosophy of Science in the Forest (Dutch Society for the Philosophy of Science), Doorn (Netherlands): May 2016.
- *Split Brains and Fragmented Minds*. Fragmentation Workshop: Developments in Philosophy and Psychology, University of Graz (Austria): May 2016.
- *Fundamentality and the Reality/Appearance Distinction*, Eidos: Truth and Grounds, Ascona (Switzerland), May 2015.
- *Experience in a Fragmented World*, Mindgrad 2014, University of Warwick (UK), December 2014. Commentator: Christoph Hoerl.
- *On Fine's Fragmentalism*, Scottish Philosophical Association, University of Stirling: December 2013.
- *Many-One Identity in a Fragmented world*, Eidos: Don Baxter conference, Ligerz (Switzerland), October 2013.
- *A Problem in Fine's Fragmentalism*, The University of Tübingen Masterclass, University of Tübingen (Germany), October 2013.
- *Fragmentalism, the Mereological Way*, Eidos: Kit Fine conference, Varano Borghi (Italy), August 2013.

Other Research Activities

As a member of *Arché*, I was part of the following research projects:

- *Identity, Existence and Structure*. Member: 2014-2015. Coordinator: Aaron Cotnoir.
- *Models, Modality and Meaning*. Member: 2012-2015. Coordinator: Stephen Read.
- *Propositions, Indexicality, and Tense*. Member: 2012-2015. Coordinator: Herman Cappelen.
- *Philosophical Methodology*. Member: 2011-2012. Coordinator: Jessica Brown.
- *Contextualism and Relativism*. Member: 2011-2012. Coordinator: Herman Cappelen.

Honours and Awards

- NWO Veni grant of €220,000, for the project 'A Fragmented World: A New Philosophical Approach to Perspectival Facts' (2016-2020).
- 'A Passage Theory of Time' was Runner up in the Younger Scholar Prize in Metaphysics (aka Sanders Prize), organized by the *Oxford Studies in Metaphysics* book series.
- Scholarship: *St Andrews/Stirling Graduate Programme Scholarship*, covering fees and maintenance of the full PhD programme at St Andrews.
- Scholarship: *Prince Bernhard Fund* (Amsterdam), covering fees and maintenance of the MLitt programme at St Andrews.

- Scholarship: *Bard College Berlin scholarship*, covering fees and maintenance for the Academy Year at Bard College Berlin.

Service

- Refereed for *Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *American Philosophical Quarterly* and *Dialectica*.
- Refereed for the *Arché* graduate conferences between 2012-2014. Was a commentator for Penelope Mackie's keynote talk at the *Arché Grad Conference 2014*.
- Started and convened the Metaphysics Research Group (2012-2014), inviting guest speakers, setting reading lists and maintaining a web page. Due to large attendance, the reading group became an official *Arché* research stream in spring 2014 (the *Identity, Existence and Structure* project).
- Maintained the *Arché* weblog, 2012-2013.

Dissertation Abstract

- *A Fragmented World*. The dissertation defends the view that the world is metaphysically fragmented. It develops a logical framework for the proposed metaphysics and explores applications of the framework to resolve philosophical issues concerning time, conscious experience, colours and special relativity.

References

- Kit Fine (external examiner, current employer)
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- Gabriel Uzquiano (internal examiner)
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- Katherine Hawley (first supervisor)
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- Aaron Cotnoir (second supervisor)
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- Simon Prosser (teaching reference)
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