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Appointments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PhD Candidate & Graduate Assistant – Department of Philosophy (University of Cincinnati).
Areas of Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philosophy of Mind, Psychology & Psychiatry
Areas of Competence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Epistemology Philosophy of Science
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PhD in Philosophy – University of Cincinnati. Dissertation: “From Normality to Pathology: In Defense of the Continuity Thesis.” Committee: Heidi Maibom (chair), Peter Langland-Hassan, Thomas Polger, Johannes Brandl. Expected completion: Fall 2017. M.A. in Philosophy, <i>summa cum laude</i> – University of Parma (Italy). Dissertation: “Mind and Evolution. Contemporary Perspectives.” Committee: Gisèle Fischer (chair), Andrea Bianchi. March 2011. B.A. in Philosophy, <i>summa cum laude</i> – University of Parma (Italy) Thesis: “Undeniable Propositions in Wittgenstein’s <i>On Certainty</i>: Applications to Intercultural Discourse.” Committee: Franca D’Agostini (chair), Marco Santambrogio, Marilena Andronico. December 2007.
Peer-Reviewed Publications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (2017). “What Makes Delusions Pathological?” <i>Philosophical Psychology</i>. Online first. (2015). “When Emotion and Cognition Do (not) Work Together: Delusions as Emotional and Executive Dysfunctions” Commentary on Luiz Pessoa’s <i>The Cognitive Emotional Brain</i>. <i>Behavioral and Brain Sciences</i> 38(1). (2015). “Are Mental Disorders Illnesses? The Boundary between Psychiatry and General Medicine” Proceedings of the AISB 2015 Symposium <i>From Mental ‘Illness’ to Disorder and Diversity</i>, J. Parthemore & B. Whitby (eds.)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (2014). Review of Gumley, Gillham, Taylor & Schwannauer (eds.), <i>Psychosis and Emotions: The Role of Emotions in Understanding Psychosis, Therapy and Recovery</i>, Routledge 2013. <i>Metapsychology Online Reviews</i> 18(50).
Invited Publications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (forthcoming). "What Makes Delusions Pathological?" Guest post on the Imperfect Cognitions blog. (2017). "Emotions, Moods and Psychopathology. Schizophrenia and Depression as Affective Disturbances" (in Italian). <i>Sistemi Intelligenti</i> (1) 2017. (2015). "Desiderata for a Successful Early Career Philosophy Conference: Suggestions from a Graduate Student". Guest post on the <i>Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry</i> blog.
Invited Talks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "The Unity of Mental Life: Freud on the Continuum between Normal and Pathological" – Association for Psychoanalytic Thought (Cincinnati). November 2016. "Hyper or Hypo? A Dimensional Model for Schizophrenia and Depression" (in Italian) – Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive (AISC – University of Naples). May 2016.
Conference Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Are Mental Disorders Continuous with Healthy Functioning?" – Neurophilosophy Lunch Seminar (University of Milan). January 2017. "What Makes Mental Disorders Continuous with Healthy Functioning? A New Proposal for a Dimensional Model" – Work-in-progress Workshop (University of Salzburg). June 2016. "Environmental Triggers of Psychopathology: Gender and Depression as a Case Study" – Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB – University of Sheffield). April 2016. "Reality Distortion as Affective Disturbance: Moods and Emotions in Schizophrenia and Depression" – Workshop on the Meaning of Moods (University of Basel). December 2015. "Schizophrenia & Rationality" – Schizophrenia and Common Sense International Workshop (New University of Lisbon). November 2015. "Self-Narratives: Divergent or Disrupted?" – Workshop on Shaun Gallagher's Interdisciplinary Philosophy (University of Cincinnati). October 2015. "The Role of Repression in Psychopathology" (Poster) – Italian Society for Neuroethics (SINE – University of Padua). May 2015.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “Are Mental Disorders Illnesses? The Boundary Between Psychiatry and General Medicine” – Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB – University of Kent, Canterbury). April 2015. ▪ Comments on Maiese: “Auditory Verbal Hallucination and the Sense of Ownership” – Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP – New Orleans). April 2015. ▪ “What Philosophy Contributes to the Study of Psychopathology” (with Heidi Maibom) – Special Invited Symposium: Philosophy for Cognitive Scientists, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP – New Orleans). April 2015. ▪ “From Normalcy to Insanity: In Defense of the Continuity Thesis” – Seminario del Venerdì (University of Parma). March 2015. ▪ “Neither Brainless Nor Mindless” (Poster) – Early Career Scholars Philosophy of Psychiatry Conference, Center for Philosophy of Science (University of Pittsburgh). November 2014. ▪ “Neither Brainless Nor Mindless: Towards an Interactionist View in Philosophy of Psychiatry” – 30th Annual Conference on the History and Philosophy of Science (University of Colorado Boulder). October 2014. ▪ “Delusions, Rationality and Emotions” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP – Noto, Italy). September 2014. - Collective Intentionality IX (University of Indiana, Bloomington). September 2014. - Society for Applied Philosophy (SAP – St. Anne’s College, Oxford). June 2014. ▪ Comments on Wilkenfeld: “On Behalf of Understanding: A Reply to Khalifa” – Ohio Philosophical Association (Kenyon College). April 2014. ▪ “Making Sense of the Analogy between Intuition and Perception” – North Carolina Philosophical Society (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill). February 2014.
<p>Teaching</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Instructor – University of Cincinnati (2013-2015): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intermediate-level Courses: “Minds & Machines” - Introductory Courses (online): “Introduction to Philosophy: History – Descartes to Kant”; “Introduction to Philosophy: Theory of Knowledge”; “Critical Thinking”. ▪ Teaching Assistant – University of Cincinnati (2012-2013): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introductory Courses: “How Science Works”; “Introduction to Philosophy: Theory of Knowledge”.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Guest Lecturer – University of Parma (March & November 2015; May 2017): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upper-level Course (MA students): “Philosophy of Science” (Instructor: Gisèle Fischer): Lectures on the notion of emergence in Minsky and Hofstadter, on artificial intelligence in Turing, Hofstadter and Searle; on scientific theories and evidence (Galileo, Dawkins, Gould).
<p>Service</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Referee: Philosophical Psychology, Ohio Philosophical Association, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology. ▪ Member of the organizing committee for the “Career Development Panel: PhD in Philosophy” targeted to Master’s students applying to PhD programs in Europe and the United States (University of Parma). July 2015. ▪ Secretary for the Philosophy Graduate Student Association (GSA, University of Cincinnati). 2014-2015. ▪ Assistant Editor for Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy Online, Mind & Psychology section (with Thomas Polger). Spring & Fall 2014. ▪ Member of the organizing committee for the round-table “UC Bridging the Gap”, focused on the relationship between public intellectuals and the community (University of Cincinnati). March 2014. ▪ Graduate Student Representative (University of Cincinnati). 2013-2014.
<p>Awards & Grants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Graduate School Dean’s Fellowship (Dissertation Completion Fellowship). University of Cincinnati. Academic Year 2016-2017. ▪ Ernst Mach Grant (Austrian Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy). University of Salzburg (Austria). Local advisor: Johannes Brandl. Spring 2016 (February-July). ▪ Graduate Student Research Fellowship. University Research Council (URC – University of Cincinnati). Summer 2015. ▪ Graduate Summer Fellowship. Taft Research Center (University of Cincinnati). Summer 2014. ▪ Exchange student on a full scholarship – Pitzer College, Claremont (CA). Spring 2010 (January-May).
<p>Affiliations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ American Philosophical Association (APA) ▪ Ohio Philosophical Association (OPA) ▪ Society for Philosophy of Emotions (SEP)

<p>Graduate Coursework</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ University of Cincinnati: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduate Proseminar (Thomas Polger) - Philosophy of Language (Christopher Gauker) - Socially Engaged Philosophy of Science (Angela Potochnik) - Philosophy of Psychiatry (Peter Langland-Hassan) - Aesthetics (Jenefer Robinson) - History of Science – Newton (Zvi Biener) - Philosophy of Neuroscience (Valerie Hardcastle) - Logic (Christopher Gauker) - Philosophical Methodology (Thomas Polger) - Moral Psychology (Heidi Maibom) - Philosophy of Psychology (Anthony Chemero) - Genomics, Race and Ethics (Koffi Maglo) - Teaching Seminar (Ayça Mazman & Maurice Lamb). <p><i>Qualifying Exam: Early Modern Philosophy (Descartes to Kant). August 2014.</i></p>
<p>Languages</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Italian: Native ▪ English: Fluent ▪ German: Intermediate ▪ French: Intermediate