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AOS / AOC

Specialization	Metaphysics (persistence, modality, mereology, location), Philosophy of Time
Competence	Logic, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Physics (space and time), Philosophy of Emotions

Academic positions

09.2022–present	**Research and Teaching Assistant** Department of Philosophy, University of Geneva Member of the research groups in metaphysics (eidos) and philosophy of emotions (Thumos)
01.2026–05.2026	**Visiting Scholar** Department of Philosophy, Columbia University, New York Research visit hosted by Achille C. Varzi
09.2020–05.2021	**Student Assistant** *Introduction to Logic*, University of Geneva Created exercise sets and taught tutorial sessions (supervised by Fabrice Correia and Joshua Babic)

Dissertation

Title	*Setting the Stage for Persistence*
Summary	A new defense of exdurantism, including a general argument and five independent, article-size discussions
Supervisors	Fabrice Correia (Geneva) and Achille C. Varzi (Columbia)
Expected defense	June 2027

Education

11.2022–present	**PhD in Philosophy** University of Geneva Defense expected in June 2027 (see Dissertation above)
09.2020–09.2022	**MA in Philosophy** University of Geneva Specialization in Contemporary Philosophy Thesis: *Éloge de la nostalgie (In Praise of Nostalgia)*, graded 6.00/6.00 (supervisors: Julien Deonna and Fabrice Teroni)
09.2017–09.2020	**BA in Philosophy and Ancient Greek** University of Geneva Thesis: *Quand a-t-on raison d'être nostalgique? (When Is It Right to Feel Nostalgia?)*, graded 6.00/6.00 (supervisor: Julien Deonna)

Publication

2026 "Flexible Counterparts." *Analytic Philosophy*, Early View. doi:10.1111/phib.70022

Works in progress

In preparation

A novel argument against endurantism
A discussion of exdurantism in gunky time
An examination of exdurantism and experience
A discussion of the exdurantist commitment to four-dimensional worms

Talks

* refereed † invited

2026 Must an Exdurantist Believe in Four-Dimensional Worms? *eidos* seminar, Geneva, October 12, 2026
Exdurantism and Experience. AMAMI – Mid-Term SIFA Conference, Venice, September 3, 2026*
Instantaneous Stages in Instantless Worlds. 12th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, Madrid, August 27, 2026*
Must an Exdurantist Believe in Four-Dimensional Worms? 11th Annual Conference of the International Association for Philosophy of Time, Yamaguchi (Japan), July 26, 2026*
Flexible Counterparts. Issues on the (Im)Possible XII, Bratislava, May 21, 2026*
Must an Exdurantist Believe in Four-Dimensional Worms? Columbia University, New York, March 13, 2026

2025 Faire une crasse aux étapes temporelles. Colloque de recherche, University of Neuchâtel, November 11, 2025†
Counterparts, Flexibility, and Persistent Organisms. Individuality, Composition, and Persistence in Metaphysics and Philosophy of Biology, Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science, October 7, 2025†
Flexible Counterparts. *eidos* seminar, Geneva, September 29, 2025
Counterparts and Neutrality. The Philosophy of Neutrality, 2025 Symposium of the Swiss Philosophical Society, August 27, 2025*
How Many of You Are There? 10th Annual Conference of the International Association for Philosophy of Time, Santiago (Chile), July 8, 2025*
Endurantisme, identité et comptage. Congrès annuel de la Société de philosophie analytique, Nantes, June 30, 2025*
Imagine All the Gunk. Thought Experiments and Philosophy Workshop, Geneva, June 16, 2025
How Many of You Are There? OZSW Annual Conference, Delft, May 19, 2025*
Instantaneous Stages in Instantless Worlds. *eidos* seminar, Geneva, May 13, 2025

2024 How Many of You Are There? *eidos* seminar, Geneva, October 29, 2024

Teaching

Fall 2023–2026	**Introduction to Logic** tutorials, University of Geneva Taught every fall semester, accompanying the lecture by Paolo Natali (2023) and Fabrice Correia (2024–2026) Supervised the weekly tutorial sessions (about 25 students) Assigned weekly exercises Supervised two teaching assistants every year
Spring 2023–2024	**Introduction to Metaphysics** seminar, University of Geneva Weekly seminar accompanying Fabrice Correia's lecture: reading and discussion of texts (about 25 students) Designed my own syllabus on the metaphysics of time

Pedagogical training

01.2024	**University Pedagogy Workshop** (*Workshop en pédagogie universitaire*), University of Geneva Five-day training in university teaching and assessment methods, with micro-teaching and feedback Follow-up coaching with an observed class and feedback, and a peer-sharing session; completed with a certificate

Grants and awards

2022–2023	**Predoctoral Grant**, Faculty of Humanities (*Faculté des lettres*), University of Geneva
2022	**Prix Dr. de Dukszta**, for the best average in the MA in Philosophy, University of Geneva

Service

Refereeing	*European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, *Acta Analytica*, *L'Encyclopédie philosophique*
2025	**Co-organizer**, *Thought Experiments and Philosophy*, workshop, Geneva, June 16–17, 2025 With Fabrice Correia and Simon-Pierre Chevarie-Cossette; funded by the CUSO doctoral school in philosophy
2024	**Co-organizer**, *New Trends in the Philosophy of Persistence*, workshop, Geneva, June 20–21, 2024 With Fabrice Correia; funded by the Mlle Marie Gretler Stiftung
2022–present	**Committees**, Department of Philosophy, University of Geneva Member of promotion and consultative committees

Outreach activities

03.2024	**Presentation on Avoiding Procrastination** University of Geneva Library Taught some productivity techniques to students at an event dedicated to avoiding procrastination
2021–2023	**Teacher and Jury Member** Swiss Olympiad in Philosophy Taught workshops to participants in an essay contest for high school students
2021–2022	**Philosophical Consultant for an Artistic Project** Centre interfacultaire en sciences affectives, Geneva Helped an artist reflect on nostalgia for an exhibition and a book

Languages

French	Mother tongue
English	C2 (IELTS, 8.5/9, June 2025)
German	B2
Dutch	C1
Ancient Greek	Advanced