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AOS: normative ethics, welfare ethics, population ethics, consequentialist and deontological ethics

AOC: practical philosophy, political philosophy, applied ethics, well-being, decision theory

EDUCATION

- 05/2018 – 09/2024 **Doctoral Study in Philosophy at Saarland University**
Department of Philosophy, supervised by Prof. Christoph Fehige, “The Dual Force of Welfare. Unravelling Personal and Impersonal Views in Ethics”
- 09/2021 – 12/2021 **Research Visit in Philosophy at Rutgers University**
Department of Philosophy, sponsored by Prof. Larry Temkin, funded by the German Academic Exchange Service
- 04/2021 – 12/2022 **Higher Education Teaching Program at Saarland University**
Completed with a Certificate of Teaching in Higher Education
- 10/2013 – 03/2018 **Master of Arts in Philosophy at Humboldt University Berlin**
Master’s thesis: Reasons of Beneficence and the Non-Identity Problem, supervised by Prof. Kirsten Meyer
- 10/2008 – 11/2012 **Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Political Sciences and Sociology at Technical University Dresden**

SCIENTIFIC EMPLOYMENT

- 10/2024 – present **Postdoc Research and Teaching Fellow (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)**
Philosophy and Political Sciences Department, TU Dortmund University
- 09/2020 – 09/2024 **Research and Teaching Associate (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)**
Professorship for Practical Philosophy (Prof. Christoph Fehige and Prof. Ulla Wessels), Saarland University
- 10/2019 – 08/2020 **Research and Teaching Associate (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)**
Chair for Practical Philosophy and Didactics (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin

- 04/2018 – 10/2019 **Research and Teaching Associate (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)**
Department of Philosophy, Saarland University
- 01/2016 – 03/2018 **Student Research and Teaching Assistant (Studentische Hilfskraft)**
Chair for Practical Philosophy and Didactics (Prof. Dr. Kirsten Meyer),
Humboldt University Berlin

BOOKS / MONOGRAPHS

- forthcoming **The Dual Force of Welfare: Unravelling Personal and Impersonal Views in Ethics**
Routledge.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2026 **The Dual Reason-Giving Force of Welfare: An Exploration**
Utilitas, First View, 1–21. doi:[10.1017/S0953820825100228](https://doi.org/10.1017/S0953820825100228)
- 2025 **Utilitarismus und Populationsethik (Utilitarianism and Population Ethics)**
In Bernward Gesang, Vuko Andrić (eds.), *Handbuch Utilitarismus*, Metzler.
https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-71326-6_23
- 2025 **Summen- und Durchschnittsutilitarismus (Total Sum and Average Utilitarianism)**
In Bernward Gesang, Vuko Andrić (eds.), *Handbuch Utilitarismus*, Metzler.
https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-71326-6_5
- 2023 **The Interpersonal Comparative View of Welfare: Its Merits and Flaws**
The Journal of Ethics 27 (3): 369–391. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10892-023-09436-7>
- 2023 **How to Assess Claims in Multiple-Option Choice Sets** (together with Jake Khawaja)
Philosophy & Public Affairs 51 (1): 60–92. <https://doi.org/10.1111/papa.12227>
- 2021 **On Parfit's Wide Dual Person-Affecting Principle**
In Michael Schefczyk and Christoph Schmidt-Petri (eds.), *Utility, Progress, and Technology: Proceedings of the 15th Conference of the International Society for Utilitarian Studies*, Karlsruhe: KIT Scientific Publishing, 69–78.
<https://www.ksp.kit.edu/site/books/e/10.5445/KSP/1000134479/>
- 2019 **Comparative personal views and the non-identity problem**
Intergenerational Justice Review 5 (2): 52–53. <https://doi.org/10.24357/igjr.5.2.770>

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 **Wie lässt sich solidarische Ökonomie weltweit verwirklichen? Ein Portrait von FairBindung (How to realize solidarity economy worldwide? A portrait of FairBindung)**
In Bastian Ronge (ed.), *Solidarische Ökonomie als Lebensform. Berliner Akteure des alternativen Wirtschaftens im Porträt*, Bielefeld: transcript, 71–95.
- 2011 **Personalisierte Unmündigkeit. Zur Rationalität der Nutrigenomik und ihren Funktionen (Personalized immaturity. The rationality of nutrigenomics and its functions)**
Gen-ethischer Informationsdienst, Spezial Nr. 11, 24–32.

PRESENTATIONS

Global Reasons to Satisfy Locally Relevant Claims [varying titles]

- 10/09/2025 12th Congress of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP.12), University of Düsseldorf, talk, call for papers
- 04/09/2025 Partial Aggregation, MANCEPT Workshops, University of Manchester, talk
- 12/05/2025 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper
- 23/04/2025 Colloquium in Practical Philosophy (Prof. Annette Duffner), Bielefeld University, paper, invitation
- 23/11/2024 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper, invitation

Individualism and Its Limits (together with Léa Bourguignon & Milan Mossé)

- 03/09/2025 Partial Aggregation, MANCEPT Workshops, University of Manchester, talk

Prospects of Welfare Losses

- 03/07/2025 WoW 2025 – Workshop on Welfare and Ethics, Saarland University, talk

The Dual Reason-Giving Force of Welfare: An Exploration [varying titles]

- 23/09/2024 XXVI. German Congress for Philosophy, University of Münster, talk, refereed
- 09/06/2024 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper
- 25/11/2023 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

Welfare Losses in Variable Population Choices with Multiple Options

- 27/06/2024 WoW 2024 – Workshop on Welfare and Ethics, Saarland University, talk

Taking Narrow Person-Affecting Considerations Seriously [varying titles]

- 20/06/2024 17th Conference of the International Society for Utilitarian Studies (ISUS), University College London, talk, refereed
- 30/05/2024 Value Theory Workshop, Lund University, talk, call for papers

- 18/11/2022 Moral Theory & Future Generations, LMU Munich, talk, invitation
 23/06/2022 Workshop on Welfare, Saarland University, talk
 22/05/2022 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

Interpersonal Welfare Trade-offs

- 20/11/2023 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

Moral Aggregation

- 31/10/2023 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

The Ground of the Moral Value of Welfare: Personal or Impersonal?

- 12/07/2023 Workshop on Welfare, Saarland University, talk
 17/06/2023 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

How to Assess Claims in Multiple-Option Choice Sets [varying titles] (with Jake Khawaja)

- 2–5/05/2023 32nd Annual APPE International Conference, Portland, talk, refereed
 10/03/2023 Slippery Slope Normativity Summit, Lillehammer, talk, refereed
 13/09/2022 11th Congress of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP.11), Humboldt University Berlin, talk, refereed
 25/04/2022 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper
 26/03/2022 North Carolina Philosophical Society Joint Meeting with the South Carolina Society for Philosophy, Converse University, talk, refereed

Introduction and Preliminaries to a Dissertation on Personal and Impersonal Views in Welfare Ethics

- 19/11/2022 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

Distinguishing Personal and Impersonal Views in Welfare Ethics [varying titles]

- 29/01/2022 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper
 19/09/2019 SOPhA Conference, University of Salzburg, talk, refereed
 29/04/2019 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

Against Existence-Comparativism

- 14/10/2021 Chris Heathwood's graduate seminar "Welfare", University of Colorado Boulder, paper, invitation

The Interpersonal Comparative View: Its Merits and Flaws [varying titles]

- 15/10/2021 Center for Values and Social Policy, University of Colorado Boulder, talk, invitation
 10/07/2021 Workshop on Welfare, Saarland University, talk
 20/06/2021 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

The Intrapersonal Comparative Type

01/02/2021 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

The Mode of Moral Value and the Insufficiency of Non-Hybrid Approaches

13/11/2020 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

The Moral Mode of Prioritarianism: Absolute or Hybrid? [varying titles]

24/08/2020 10th European Conference of Analytic Philosophy (ECAP10), Utrecht University, talk, refereed

06/06/2020 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

13/02/2020 Karlsruhe-Saarbrücken Colloquium (KASCO), Karlsruhe Institute for Technology, talk

How Impersonal is Interpersonal Welfare Aggregation?

20/01/2020 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

20/11/2019 Research Colloquium (Prof. Christian Seidel), Karlsruhe Institute for Technology, paper, invitation

17/11/2019 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

The Impersonal Claims of Future People

20/04/2020 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

27/09/2019 VII. Conference in Practical Philosophy (Tagung für Praktische Philosophie), University of Salzburg, talk, refereed

Personal Value in Variable Population Comparison

18/11/2018 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

On Parfit's Wide Dual Person-Affecting Principle

24/07/2018 15th Conference of the International Society for Utilitarian Studies (ISUS), Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, talk, refereed

22/10/2018 Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

Personal and Impersonal Betterness of Outcomes: A Hybrid View

06/05/2018 Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper

Reasons of Beneficence and the Non-Identity Problem. A Challenge to Johann Frick's Bearer-Dependent Solution [varying titles]

20/09/2018 10th Congress of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP.10), University of Cologne, talk, refereed

21/01/2018	Workshop on Practical Philosophy, Saarland University, paper, invitation
11/12/2017	Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper
13/11/2017	Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper
26/10/2017	Normative Ethics and Metaethics Colloquium (Prof. Thomas Schmidt), Humboldt University Berlin, paper
10/07/2017	Normative and Applied Ethics Colloquium (Prof. Kirsten Meyer), Humboldt University Berlin, paper

Person-Affecting Repugnant Conclusion

07/09/2017	XXIV. Congress of German Society for Philosophy (DGPhil), Humboldt University Berlin, talk, refereed
04/01/2017	Student's Series of Talks in Philosophy, Humboldt University Berlin, talk

TEACHING

TU Dortmund University

Summer Term 2026	Seminar <i>Von Geldpumpen und dynamischen Entscheidungen / Money Pumps and Dynamic Decisions</i> Seminar <i>Grundlagen Moralphilosophie – Systematische Perspektive / Basics in Moral Philosophy – Systematic Perspective</i>
Winter Term 2025/2026	Seminar <i>Entscheidungstheorie / Decision Theory</i> Seminar <i>Philosophisches Schreiben: Hunger, Reichtum und Moral / Philosophical writing: famine, affluence, and morality</i>
Summer Term 2025	Seminar <i>Trade-offs von Wohlergehen / Trade-offs of Well-Being</i> Seminar <i>Grundlagen Moralphilosophie – Systematische Perspektive / Basics in Moral Philosophy – Systematic Perspective</i>
Winter Term 2024/2025	Seminar <i>Interpersonelle Aggregation: Sollten wir die größere Anzahl retten? / Interpersonal Aggregation: Should we save the greater number?</i> Seminar <i>Philosophisches Schreiben: Verteilungsgerechtigkeit / Philosophical writing: distributive justice</i>

Saarland University

Summer Term 2024	M.A. Seminar <i>Recent Work in Practical Philosophy</i> (with Christoph Fehige) B.A. Seminar <i>Risikoethik (Ethics of risk)</i>
Winter Term 2023/2024	M.A. Seminar <i>Actions and Norms</i> (with Christoph Fehige) B.A. Seminar <i>Folter vs. Lutscher: Trade-offs zwischen Personen (torture</i>

vs. lollipops: trade-offs between people)

Summer Term 2023	M.A. Seminar <i>Analytic Ethics</i> (with Christoph Fehige) B.A. Seminar <i>Populationsethik</i> (<i>population ethics</i>)
Winter Term 2022/2023	B.A. Seminar <i>Klimaethik</i> (<i>climate ethics</i>) B.A. Seminar <i>Verteilungsgerechtigkeit</i> (<i>distributive justice</i>)
Winter Term 2021/2022	B.A. Seminar <i>Vertragstheorien in der politischen Philosophie und Ethik</i> (<i>contract theories in political philosophy and ethics</i>)
Summer Term 2021	B.A. Seminar <i>Larry Temkin: Rethinking the Good</i>
Winter Term 2020/2021	B.A. Seminar <i>Tugendethik in Antike und Gegenwart</i> (<i>ancient and contemporary virtue ethics</i>)
Summer Term 2019	B.A. Seminar <i>Werkzeuge deontologischer Moraltheorien</i> (<i>tools of deontological moral theories</i>)
Winter Term 2018/2019	B.A. Seminar <i>Sollte man die größere Anzahl retten?</i> (<i>Should we save the larger number?</i>)
Winter Term 18/19	B.A. Seminar <i>Ethik in den Religionen</i> (<i>ethics in religions</i>)

Humboldt University Berlin

Summer Term 2020	Advanced Seminar <i>Theorien des Wohlergehens</i> / <i>Theories of Welfare</i> Proseminar <i>Klassischer Utilitarismus</i> / <i>Classical Utilitarianism</i>
Winter Term 2019/2020	Advanced Seminar <i>Populationsethik</i> / <i>Population Ethics</i> Proseminar <i>Henry Sidgwick, The Methods of Ethics</i>
Winter Term 2016/2017	B.A. Tutorial <i>Einführung in die normative Ethik</i> (<i>introduction to normative ethics</i>)

WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

1–2/07/2025 forthcoming	WoW – Sixth International Workshop on Welfare and Ethics co-organised with Thorsten Helfer, Hasko von Kriegstein & Maximilian Klein, Saarland University
25–26/06/2026 forthcoming	2nd Dortmund Disputes on Economic Justice co-organised with Peter Königs, TU Dortmund University

- 2–3/07/2025 **WoW –Workshop on Welfare and Ethics**
co-organised with Thorsten Helfer, Hasko von Kriegstein & Maximilian Klein,
Saarland University
- 27–28/06/2024 **WoW 2024 – Workshop on Welfare and Ethics**
co-organized with Thorsten Helfer & Maximilian Klein, Saarland University
- 12–13/07/2023 **Workshop on Welfare 2023**
co-organized with Thorsten Helfer, Saarland University
- 23–24/06/2022 **Workshop on Welfare 2022**
co-organized with Thorsten Helfer, Saarland University
- 09–11/07/2021 **Workshop on Welfare 2021**
co-organized with Thorsten Helfer, Saarland University
- 17–18/05/2019 **Workshop on Practical Philosophy**
co-organized with Christoph Fehige, Thorsten Helfer, and Ulla Wessels
Saarland University
- 12/02/2019 **Karlsruhe-Saarbrücken Colloquium of Philosophy**
co-organized with Thorsten Helfer, Saarland University
- 24–27/09/2017 **XXIV. Congress of German Society for Philosophy (DGPhil)**
support as student assistant, Humboldt University Berlin

FURTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 01/2020 – 12/2023 **Executive Vice President of the *Gesellschaft für Utilitarismusstudien e.V.* (German Society for Utilitarian Studies)**

Memberships in professional societies

- *Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie e.V.* (German Society for Analytic Philosophy)
- *Gesellschaft für Utilitarismusstudien e.V.* (German Society for Utilitarian Studies)

Reviews for

- *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*
- *Ergo*
- *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*
- *Moral Philosophy and Politics*
- *Philosophical Quarterly*
- *Philosophical Studies*

- *The Journal of Philosophy*
- *Utilitas*

Responsible for inviting the following speakers or visitors:

- Chris Heathwood
- Ralf Bader
- Dale Dorsey
- Eden Lin
- Nils Holtug
- Guy Fletcher
- Krister Bykvist
- Ben Bradley
- Joe Horton
- Gwen Bradford
- Hilary Greaves

ACADEMIC SELF-ADMINISTRATION

Since 04/2025	Manager of the master's program "Philosophie und Politikwissenschaft" (philosophy and political science) Faculty of Humanities, TU Dortmund University
11/2024 – 10/2025	Member of the doctoral committee and the study advisory board Faculty of Humanities, TU Dortmund University
01/2023 – 03/2024 10/2018 – 09/2019	Representative of mid-level faculty in the department assembly Department of Philosophy, Saarland University
10/2019 – 08/2020	Advisor for Master of Education in Philosophy Department of Philosophy, Humboldt University Berlin
05/2018 – 10/2019	Contact person for privacy and data protection Department of Philosophy, Saarland University

NON-ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

07 – 08/2023	Assistant for the art exhibition <i>Social Isolation and Loneliness...</i> by Azita Asadikenari Kunstverein Galerie Montez, Frankfurt/M.
04/2020 – 03/2021	Assistant in the art project <i>Social Isolation and Loneliness of Migrants</i> by Azita Asadikenari

2009 – 2022	Executive Chair Person of the <i>z.kollektiv e.V.</i> (association for collective culture) Nonprofit organisation for cultural events such as art exhibitions, readings, theatre and concerts Selected Activities: • Contribution to the nonprofit and international theatre festival “at.tension” 2015, 2017, and 2019; Lärz (MV, Germany) • Music festivals: ◦ “Festival in Grünz”, Grünz (MV, Germany); 2010, 2012 and 2014 ◦ “Dreipunkteins Festival”, Göritz (BB, Germany); 2011 and 2012 • Art exhibitions: ◦ “zeitgeist.Art”, AZ Conni Dresden, 10/2009 ◦ “Zweisam Einsam”, Galerie Fango Cottbus, 03/2010 ◦ Gallery “Ararat”, Dresden, 2010 and 2011 ◦ “Dresdener Kunsttage”, Sektor Evolution Dresden, 2011 and 2012
2005 – 2008	Member of the <i>Bündnis gegen Fremdenfeindlichkeit und Rassismus</i> (Association against Xenophobia and Racism) Schwedt/Oder
2005 – 2008	Youth project for bands and concerts Schwedt/Oder, funded by “5000xZukunft” of “Aktion Mensch e.V.”

SKILLS

Languages	German (native), English (fluent), French (basic), Persian (basic)
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3 February 2024