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Research Interests

AOS: Epistemology, virtue epistemology, philosophy of psychology

AOC: Virtue ethics, moral psychology, applied philosophy

Employment and Positions

- 7.2023-6.2025 Postdoc, Extreme Beliefs Research Group, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Supervisor: Prof. Rik Peels. Funding: Swiss National Science Foundation
- 4.2022-6.2023 Feodor Lynen-Fellow, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna. Supervisor: Prof. Martin Kusch. Funding: Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation
- 9.-12.2022 Visiting Faculty, Central European University, Vienna
- 2.-3.2022 Adjunct Faculty, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management
- 8.2020-7.2021 Visiting doctoral researcher, COGITO, University of Glasgow. Supervisors: Dr. Adam J. Carter, Prof. Jack Lyons. Funding: Swiss National Science Foundation
- 6.2017-5.2020 Pre-doctoral fellow, CONCEPT, University of Cologne
- 9.-12.2019 Visiting doctoral researcher, Department of Philosophy, University of California, Irvine. Supervisor: Prof. Duncan Pritchard. Funding: CONCEPT, Cologne

Education

- 6.2017-12.2021 Dr. Phil. in Philosophy, University of Cologne, Thesis *Summa Cum Laude*: 'Trust Responsibly – Non-Evidential Virtue Epistemology'. Supervisors: Profs. Sven Bernecker, Nikolaj Pedersen
- 9.-12.2016 MA courses in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Geneva
- 9.2015-9.2016 MLitt in Philosophy, SASP, Universities of St Andrews and Stirling. Dissertation *with distinction*: 'The Structure of Reasons – A Kratzerian Model for Reasons'. Supervisor: Dr. Justin Snedegar
- 9.2011-7.2015 BA in Philosophy and Sociology, University of Fribourg

2.-6.2014 Erasmus Exchange Semester, Philosophy and Sociology,
Charles University, Prague

Publications

- Ohlhorst, J. (*forthcoming*) 'Rationalism', in Sullivan-Bissett (ed) *The Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Delusion*. New York: Routledge.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2023) *Trust responsibly: Non-evidential Virtue Epistemology*. New York, Routledge. doi: 10.4324/9781003374466.
- Koch, S., & Ohlhorst, J. (2023) Preprint: 'On the possibility of heavy duty conceptual engineering', *PsyArxiv*. doi: 10.31234/osf.io/nxgv6.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2023) 'Engineering virtue: constructionist virtue ethics', *Inquiry*. doi: 10.1080/0020174X.2023.2238293.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2022) 'Dual processes, dual virtues', *Philosophical Studies*, 179(7), pp. 2237–2257. doi: 10.1007/s11098-021-01761-7.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2022) 'Is There a Problem of Demarcation for Hinges?', *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism*, 12(4), pp. 317–330. doi: 10.1163/22105700-bja10040.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2022) 'Delusions and beliefs: a knowledge-first approach', *Asian Journal of Philosophy*, 1(1), p. 34. doi: 10.1007/s44204-022-00035-1.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2022) 'Core Hinges', in Ferstl, E. et al. (eds) *Proceedings of KogWis2022, the 5th Biannual Conference of the German Society for Cognitive Science*. Freiburg: Albert-Ludwigs-Universität, pp. 197–198. doi: 10.6094/UNIFR/229611.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2021) 'The Certainties of Delusion', in Moretti, L. and Pedersen, N. J. L. L. (eds) *Non-Evidentialist Epistemology*. Leiden: BRILL, pp. 211–229. doi: 10.1163/9789004465534_012.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2021) 'Epistemic austerity: limits to entitlement', *Synthese*, 199(5–6), pp. 13771–13787. doi: 10.1007/s11229-021-03397-w.
- Ohlhorst, J. (2019) 'How to tragically deceive yourself', *Les ateliers de l'éthique*, 13(2), pp. 48–69. doi: 10.7202/1059499ar.

Awards and Grants

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| 2023 | Swiss National Science Foundation, Open Access publication, <i>Trust Responsibly: Non-evidential virtue epistemology</i> (12'000 CHF) |
| 2023 | Swiss National Science Foundation, Postdoc.Mobility-Fellowship, 2 years (101'000 CHF) |
| 2022 | Humboldt-Foundation, Feodor Lynen-Fellowship, 2 years (69'000 €) |
| 2011-21 | Swiss Study Foundation, Membership |
| 2021 | a.r.t.e.s. School of Humanities, Katharina Niemeyer Grant (600 €) |
| 2020 | Swiss National Science Foundation, Doc.Mobility-Fellowship, 12 months (45'000 CHF) |

- 2020 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Doctoral Fellowship, 10 Months (14'000 € - declined)
- 2019 *a.r.t.e.s.* School of Humanities (DAAD) Conference organisation: 'Fürwahrhalten – Return of the Kantians' (2'700 €)
- 2018 *a.r.t.e.s.* School of Humanities, Cologne (DAAD) Participation: 1st Urbino Summer School in Epistemology (371 €)
- 2016 Swiss Study Foundation, Participation: SoPhiA Salzburg (500 CHF)

Presentations and Conference Participation (abridged)

- 12.2023 'Dual Virtues for AI', SAS23, University of Stuttgart
- 09.2023 'Cognitive Behavioural Virtue', Aretai Conference, University of Genova
- 09.2023 'Engineering virtue', invited talk, New Directions in Virtue and Vice Epistemology, online, University of Nottingham
- 08.2023 'The cognitive roots of the problem of free will' with Steffen Koch, ECAP11, University of Vienna
- 07.2023 'Cognitive behavioural virtue', Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society, Birkbeck University, London
- 04.2023 'Baby logic', Wittgen=Steine talk series, University of Vienna
- 09.2022 'On the possibility of Heavy Duty Conceptual Engineering' with Steffen Koch, GAP.11, Humboldt University Berlin
- 09.2022 'Core Hinges', poster, KogWis 2022, University of Freiburg
- 05.2022 'The Mind-Expanding Powers of Conceptual Engineering' with Steffen Koch, Conceptual Engineering Online Seminar
<https://youtu.be/RptQmwIVJOs>
- 09.2019 'Trust responsibly', 2019 AHRC DTP Conference on Trust and Truth, University of Cambridge
- 7.2019 'Is there a problem of demarcation for hinges?', 2nd Hinge Epistemology Conference, Panthéon Sorbonne, Paris
- 11.2018 'The certainties of delusion', Belief, Imagination, and Delusion, University of Birmingham
- 4.2018 'How to tragically deceive yourself', 6th Seoul Philosophy Graduate Conference, National University Seoul
- 10.2017 'What deceiving oneself hinges on', Self-Deception what it is and what it is worth, University of Basel
- 8.2017 'The boundaries of trust' 9th European Congress in Analytic Philosophy, University of Munich
- 9.2016 'Trust responsibly', SoPhiA 2016, University of Salzburg
- 6.2016 'Luminosity in a forced-march', 6th Edinburg Graduate Epistemology Conference, University of Edinburgh

Services to the profession and outreach

- 2024 Associate Editor *Philosophy of AI*
- 2023 Substack contribution 'Engineering virtue' on *New work in philosophy*, <https://newworkinphilosophy.substack.com/p/jakob-ohlhorst-vu-university-amsterdam>
- 2022 Assessor, Swiss Study Foundation
- 2022 Blog post, 'Dual Processes, Dual Virtues' on *Imperfect Cognitions*, <https://imperfectcognitions.blogspot.com/2022/07/dual-processes-dual-virtues.html>
- 2020-23 Juror, Swiss Philosophy Olympiad
- 2020-22 Guest Editor: Special Issue on Kant and Contemporary Epistemology (2022) at *Logical Analysis and the History of Philosophy*
- 2019 Co-lead organiser, Fürwahrhalten – Return of the Kantians, University of Cologne
- Referee for: *Synthese, Erkenntnis, Topoi, Philosophia, Philosophia Reformata, Social Epistemology, Neuroethics, Asian Journal of Philosophy, The Epistemology of Fake News* (OUP)

Teaching

- 9.-12.2022 'Epistemology', MA-lecture, Central European University, Vienna
- 8.2022 'Like scales from the eyes, epistemology of conversion', summer school workshop, Cusanuswerk, Münster
- 2.-3.2021 'Current topics in Theoretical Philosophy – Social Epistemology', elective, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management
- 4.-7.2019 'Should have known – ethics of knowledge', seminar, University of Cologne
- 10.2018 - 1.2019 'Virtue from Aristotle to Zagzebski', seminar, University of Cologne

References

- Prof. Rik Peels, VU Amsterdam, h.d.peels@vu.nl
- Prof. Martin Kusch, University of Vienna, martin.kusch@univie.ac.at
- Prof. Nikolaj Pedersen, Yonsei University, nikolajpedersen@gmail.com



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