# Malte Hendrickx

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AOS Mind, Ethics, Cognitive Science.

AOC Action, PPE, Philosophy of AI.

# Education

Current Ph.D. Candidate, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Thesis supervised by C. Sripada, R. Holton, P. Railton, S. Buss, H.Y. Wong and T. Lee. Cognitive Science Certificate. Center for Research on Learning and Teaching Certificate. Visiting Student at Peterhouse College, Cambridge. Research Affiliate at New York University.

2019 M.A. Philosophy, Tübingen.

Research Associate in Philosophy. Teaching Assistant in Philosophy. Research Internship in Psychiatry Lab.

 $2016\;$  B.A. Philosophy and Economics, Mannheim.

Teaching Assistant in Philosophy.

## Publications

- 2025 Why Were There no Human Challenge Trials for Covid-19 Vaccines?, *Malte Hendrickx*, Applications of Public Choice Theory to Public Policy, **Edited Volume**, **Invited**.
- 2023 Agentially Controlled Action: Causal, not Counterfactual, Malte Hendrickx, Philosophical Studies.
- 2022 Who Knows What Mary Knew?, Daniel Gregory, Malte Hendrickx, and Cameron Turner, Philosophical Psychology.

# Works in Progress

Difficulty, Manuscript, revise and resubmit at MIND.

Effort, Manuscript, revise and resubmit at Journal of Philosophy.

Moral Burnout, Manuscript, invited at Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society.

# Awards and Honors

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Competitive university teaching prize, awarded to 20 graduate students out of a pool of more than 2000. Described as "The highest honor for teaching that the university awards to graduate student instructors", Michigan.

Cornwell Prize and Fellowship, Competitive research prize awarding one year of teaching buyout for best philosophy paper submission among graduate students: "Difficulty", Michigan.

Faculty Prize for Excellence in Teaching, Competitive department teaching prize, Michigan.

Special Prize for Leadership in Cocurricular Enrichment, Competitive service prize for outstanding engagement within and outside the philosophy department, Michigan.

Weinberg Prize, For distinction in second-year coursework, Michigan.

# Fellowships

- 2025 Life Worth Living Fellowship, Course-development fellowship for "Philosophy and Human Nature", Yale Center for Faith & Culture., Yale.
- 2023-2025 Adam Smith Fellowship, Two-times fellow at a competitive one-year program for graduate students working in political philosophy and economic theory at the Mercatus Center, Virginia.

- 2024 International Institute Student Fellowship, Research & Teaching at Neuchatel University, Institute Jean Nicod (Paris) and Peterhouse College (Cambridge).
- 2024 Junior Fellowship, Competitive invite-only summer teaching buyout for PPE research at the Institute of Humane Studies.
- 2019-2022 Weinberg Fellowship, One year teaching buyout for promising work in cognitive science.
- 2019-2022 Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship, Three-times fellow at a competitive one-year program for graduate students working in public policy and political economy at the Mercatus Center, Virginia.
  - 2016 Friedrich Naumann Stiftung für die Freiheit, Competitve 3-year full ride MA fellowship, organizer of a fellowship group for the philosophy, theory and history of liberalism.

# Teaching Experience

## As Primary Instructor

- 2024 Philosophy of Human Nature, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2024 Efforts and Capacities, University of Neuchatel, co-taught with O. Massin and K. Kosslicki.
- 2020 Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Moral Questions, University of Tübingen.
- 2019 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.
- 2018 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.
- 2018 Doing Good Well, University of Tübingen.

# As Teaching Assistant

- 2023 Critical Reasoning, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2023 Introduction to Cognitive Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2022 Critical Reasoning, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2022 Changing the World, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2019 Philosophy of Science, University of Tübingen.
- 2018 Philosophy of Cognitive Science, University of Tübingen.
- 2017 Philosophy of Action, University of Tübingen.
- 2016 Business Ethics, University of Mannheim.

# Academic Work Experience

- 2019-2020 Research Associate, Faculty of Philosophy, University Tübingen.
  - Research, Teaching and Third-Party Funding Acquisition.
  - 2019 Research Internship, "Innovative Functional Neuroimaging Methods", Psychiatry, Uniklinik Tübingen.
    - Conception, Creation, Execution and Analysis of Experiments in Moral Psychology.

#### Academic Talks

#### Moral Burnout

- o American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division Meeting, Baltimore, 2026
- o Aristotelian Society Postgraduate Session, Glasgow, 2025
- PPE Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2025
- o Markets and Society, Virginia, 2025
- Swiss Philosophical Association, Neuchatel, 2025
- Postgraduate Working Group, University of Cambridge, 2025
- o Effort and Value Workshop, University of Neuchatel, 2025
- o Graduate Conference, Institute for Humane Studies, 2025
- o Praktische Philosophie Oberseminar, University of Tübingen, 2025
- o International Society for Utilitarian Studies Annual Meeting, London, 2024
- Ethik Oberseminar, University of Tübingen, 2024
- Humane Studies Junior Research Workshop, Raleigh, North Carolina, 2024

#### **Effort**

- Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge, 2024
- Mind and Cognition: Philosophical and Psychological Perspectives, University of Tübingen, 2024
- New Work in Philosophical Psychology Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2024
- o European Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting, Prague, 2023
- The Value of Effort Workshop, University of Neuchatel, 2022

# Difficulty

- Mental Sciences, University of Cambridge, 2024
- o Effort and The Nature of Self-Control Workshop, University of Neuchatel, 2022
- o Philosophy of Neuroscience Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2022
- o AGENT Conference, University of Texas, Austin, 2021

# Difficulty and Demandingness

- o PPE Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2023
- o Philosophy of Neuroscience Workshop, University of Tübingen, 2023
- Graduate Conference, Institute for Humane Studies, 2023
- o Gesellschaft für Utilitarismusstudien, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, 2023

# Agentially Controlled Action: Causal, not Counterfactual

- o American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting, Chicago, 2022
- o Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Mobile, Alabama, 2022
- o European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of Leipzig, 2021

# Public-Facing Talks and Guest Lectures

- 2024 The Warring States: Confucius, Laozi and Mozi, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.
- 2024 Open Research Questions in the Study of Effort, Guest Lecture, Neuchatel.
- 2024 The Mind in Moral Psychology: A Brief History, Guest Lecture, Tübingen.
- 2023 Philosophy of AI: How to Evaluate Deep Learning Models, Guest Lecture, Tübingen.
- 2023 The Mind-Body Problem Abridged: A Primer, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.
- 2023 Bayesian Updating Made Easy: Odds Formulation, Talk at Effective Altruism, Tübingen.
- 2021 Effective Altruism, Talk at Dies Universitatis, Tübingen.
- 2020 On Liberty and Mill's Relevance for Modern Liberalism, Talk at Junge Liberale, Düsseldorf.
- 2020 Human Capacities, Talk at Verein zur Förderung studentischen Lebens, Tübingen.
- 2020 Ethics and Evidence: Doing Good Better, Talk at Deutsche Reformjugend, Hannover.
- 2019 Effective Altruism, Talk at University of Mannheim, Mannheim.

# Service and Leadership

# Departmental Service

- o Mind and Moral Psychology, Organizer, 2022-2025
- Graduate Representative, 2023, 2025
- How To Get External Funding Workshop, Organizer, 2023, 2025
- o Princeton-Michigan AI Group, Organizer, 2022-2024
- Ethics High School Bowl: Judge, Coach, 2021, 2023
- Philosophy with Kids, 2021
- o Graduate Student Working Group, Organizer, 2021

#### Professional Service

- Editor Philosopher's Annual; Synthese Special Issue 'Philosophy of Effort'
- Reviewer Philosophical Psychology; Inquiry
- Organizer 'Philosophy Against Malaria'; Various Conferences and Workshops

# Grants

- 2025 Research Grant, IHS, 'Moral Burnout'.
- 2020-2024 Rackham Travel Grants, 'Trying, Controlling, Acting'; 'Effort'; 'Difficulty and Demandingness'; 'Agential Action: Causal, not Counterfactual'.
- 2022-2024 Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science Grants, 'Difficulty'; 'Cognitive Control'.
  - 2024 Residency Grant, IHS, 'Effort'.
  - 2022 Mercatus Conference Travel Grant, 'Difficulty and Demandingness'.
  - 2021 Rackham Research Grant, 'Difficulty'.
  - 2021 MMP Organizer Grant, 'Mind and Moral Psychology'.
  - 2021 Liberty and Civil Society, IHS, Colloquium Fellowship.
  - 2020 Universitätsbund Research Grant, 'Is there something about Mary?'.
  - 2019 Hayek Fund For Scholars, IHS, US Graduate Study Application.
  - 2019 Universitätsbund Conference Grant, 'The Phylogeny of Mind'.
  - 2018 Udo Keller Stiftung Forum Humanum, "Psychology of punitive interactions with robots".

# Graduate Coursework: Courses Taken and Audited

Michigan, Formal Methods (Moss); Rational Choice (Joyce); Feminist Philosophy of Science (Ruetsche); Intention (Moss); English Language Instruction (Eli); Intention (Maitra); Women in Early Modern Philosophy (Schmaltz); Moral Psychology (Monroe); Zhuangzi (Özbey); Ethics (Railton); Contemporary Problems in Ethics (Railton); Philosophical Pedagogy (Manley); Philosophy of Cognitive Science (Sripada); Ethics (Crisp, Summer School).

**Tübingen**, Philosophy of Action: Ancient and Contemporary Themes (Wong & Corcilius); Disembodied Cognition: Research at the Intersection of Human and Artificial Intelligence (Wong); Animal Cognition (Orban); Aristotle: Metaphysics (Corcilius); Consciousness (Wong); Ethics and Economics (Doering); Metaphysics and Experience (Sattig); Person and Self (Sattig); Mental Imagery (Buehler); Philosophy of AI (Wong); The Primacy of Metaphysics (Peacocke, Summer School).

Cognitive Science, Computer Science I+II; Psychology I+II; Cognitive Architectures; Predictive Coding; Neuroscience of Expertise, Control and Skill; Philosophy of Neuroscience I,II,III; Research Perspectives in Cognitive Science; Neuroscience of Consciousness (Summer School); The Neurobiology of Human Conscience (Summer School).

# References

- o Chandra Sripada Michigan
- Peter Railton Michigan
- $\circ$  Sarah Buss Michigan
- $\circ$  Richard Holton Cambridge
- Hong Yu Wong Tübingen
- Taraz Lee (Psychology) Michigan
- Anna Edmonds (Teaching) Michigan