

Curriculum Vitae Asya Passinsky

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

AOS: metaphysics, social philosophy, feminist philosophy
AOC: gender and race, philosophy of social science, political philosophy

EMPLOYMENT

Central European University Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy	2021–
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy; Core Faculty in PPE	2020–21
Dartmouth College Lecturer, Department of Philosophy	2017–20
New York University Lecturer, Department of Philosophy	2016–17

EDUCATION

PhD Philosophy, New York University Dissertation: <i>The Metaphysics of Social Objects</i> . Advisor: Kit Fine	2010–16
BPhil Philosophy, University of Oxford (supported by a Rhodes scholarship)	2008–10
BA Political Economy, Slavic Languages and Literature, UC Berkeley	2003–07

PUBLICATIONS

2021 “Norm and Object: A Normative Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects,” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 21, 1–21

2021 “Finean Feminist Metaphysics,” *Inquiry* 64, 937–54

2020 “Social Objects, Response-Dependence, and Realism,” *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* 6, 431–43

2020 “Should Bitcoin Be Classified as Money?,” *Journal of Social Ontology* 6, 281–92

2020 “Social Entities,” *Routledge Handbook of Metaphysical Grounding*, edited by M. J. Raven, New York: Routledge, 510–20

2019 “Daniel Z. Korman, *Objects: Nothing Out of the Ordinary*,” *Philosophical Review* 128, 241–5

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Social Kind Essentialism” (under review)
- “Cryptocurrency: Commodity or Credit?,” commissioned for *The Philosophy of Money and Finance*, under contract with OUP, edited by J. Sandberg and L. Warenski (under review)
- “Social Construction and Meta-Ground”
- “Ameliorative Metaphysics”
- “Collective Acceptance and Attitudes,” commissioned for *Oxford Handbook of Social Ontology*, edited by S. Collins, B. Epstein, S. Haslanger, and H. B. Schmid
- “Artifacts, Artworks, and Social Objects,” commissioned for *Routledge Handbook of Essence*, edited by K. Koslicki and M. J. Raven
- *Social Objects* (monograph)

TALKS & COMMENTS

* = keynote talk

“A Normative Hylomorphic Theory of the State”

- Panel on “Money and the Nation State,” 2022 Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Conference, New Orleans, November 2022
- * The Ontology of Politics Workshop, University of Groningen, Groningen, July 2022

“Is Social Construction Grounding?”

- CEU and LFUI Philosophy Symposium, University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, October 2022
- Philosophy and Political Science Departmental Colloquium, Technical University Dortmund, Dortmund, October 2022
- 5th Taiwan Metaphysics Colloquium, Taiwan Association for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science and Technology, Online, July 2022
- Vienna Language and Mind Group, Central European University and University of Vienna, Online, November 2021
- 2021 Social Ontology Conference, University of California, San Diego, Online, August 2021

“Ameliorative Metaphysics”

- * Inclusion Beyond Face Value: Metaphilosophy of/with Social Justice, Central European University, Vienna, October 2022

“Cryptocurrency: Commodity or Credit?”

- 2022 Social Ontology/Collective Intentionality Conference, University of Vienna, Online, August 2022
- Ontology of Finance Workshop, SUNY Buffalo, Online, May 2022

“Artifacts and Social Objects”

- The Philosophy of Artifacts Workshop, 2022 Sopha Conference, University of Neuchâtel, Neuchâtel, July 2022
- Routledge Handbook of Essence Workshop, University of Neuchâtel, Online, July 2021 (as “Artifacts, Artworks, and Social Objects”)

Comments on Jade Fletcher, “Realism and Debunking about Social Kinds”

- 2022 Social Metaphysics Conference, Duke University, Durham, NC, June 2022

Comments on Hans Bernhard Schmid, *We, Together: The Social Ontology of Us*

- Mind and Society Discussion Group, University of Vienna, Vienna, March 2022

“Social Kind Essentialism”

- APSE-CEU-IVC Talks, Online, Institute Vienna Circle, Central European University, and University of Vienna, Vienna, December 2021
- Barcelona Seminar in Social Metaphysics, University of Barcelona, Online, October 2021
- 2021 Social Metaphysics Conference, North Carolina State University and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Online, June 2021
- Re-Evaluating Social Essences Workshop, University of Victoria, Online, April 2021
- Early Career Social Metaphysics Workshop, North Carolina State University and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Online, July 2020
- 2020 Social Ontology Conference, University of Neuchatel, Online, July 2020 (as “An Essentialist Framework for Social Ontology”)
- 20th Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference/Metaphysics on the Mountain 3, Boise State University, Online, July 2020

“Norm and Object: A Normative Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”

- * CEU In-House Doctoral Conference, Central European University, Vienna, November 2021
- Jennifer Wang’s Graduate Seminar on “Metaphysics of Social Reality,” Simon Fraser University, Online, April 2021
- UCLA Legal Theory Workshop, University of California, Los Angeles, Online, March 2021
- UCSB Philosophy Departmental Colloquium, University of California, Santa Barbara, Online, February 2021
- Chapel Hill PPE Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Online, August 2020
- Early Career Metaphysics Workshop, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, April 2019
- Work in Progress Seminar, Dartmouth College, Hanover, April 2019
- Metaphysics Reading Group, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, October 2018
- 2018 Social Ontology Conference, Tufts University, Boston, August 2018 (as “A Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”)
- 2017 Hylomorphism Conference, Banff Centre, Banff, May 2017 (as “A Hylomorphic Theory of Social Objects”)

Comments on Tim Juvshik, “Good ‘Cat,’ Bad ‘Act’”

- Colloquium on “Metaphysics,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Online, April 2021

“Finean Feminist Metaphysics”

- Jennifer Wang’s Graduate Seminar on “Metaphysics of Social Reality,” Simon Fraser University, Online, February 2021
- Workshop on Gender and Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, January 2019

Comments on Scott Altman, “Selling Silence: The Morality of Sexual Harassment NDAs”

- Legal Philosophy Workshop, University of Southern California, Online, June 2020

“Is Bitcoin Money?”

- Conference on “Money: What Is It? How Should It Function?” University of Groningen, Groningen, November 2019
- 2019 Social Ontology Conference, Tampere University, Tampere, August 2019

“Money as Metaphysically Reflexive”

- Panel on “The Metaphysics of Money,” 2019 Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Meeting, New Orleans, March 2019

Comments on Louis de Rosset, “The Nonreductivist’s Trouble with Explanation”

- Dartmouth/UVM Workshop, University of Vermont, Burlington, November 2018

“Social Objects, Response-Dependence, and Realism”

- Language and Essence Conference, University of Victoria, Victoria, October 2018
- Work in Progress Seminar, Dartmouth College, Hanover, September 2017
- Logic and Metaphysics Workshop, City University of New York, New York, May 2016 (as “A Response-Dependent Theory of Social Objects”)

“Social Entities”

- Workshop on Metaphysical Grounding, Hamburg, May 2018

Comments on Nurbay Irmak, “The Problem of Abstract Artifacts”

- Colloquium on “Social Ontology,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Diego, March 2018

“The Ontology of Borders”

- The Thought Project, Dartmouth College, Hanover, February 2018

Comments on Jessica Wilson, “The Metaphysical Emergence of Material Artifacts”

- Symposium on “Metaphysics of Artifacts,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2016

“Norm and Object: A Normative Theory of Social Objects”

- Departmental Talk, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, February 2016
- Graduate Student Conference on “Normativity and the Human Sciences,” City University of New York, New York, April 2015
- Colloquium on “Objects,” Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Vancouver, April 2015
- Workshop on “Artifacts and Artifact Talk: Cognitive and Semantic Aspects,” University of Padua, Padua, June 2014
- Eidos Metaphysics Seminar, University of Neuchâtel, Neuchâtel, May 2014

“The Creation and Destruction of Social Objects”

- Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Humboldt University, Berlin, June 2015
- Graduate Student Conference on “Social Structures: Social Ontology & Feminist Metaphysics and Epistemology,” Princeton University, Princeton, April 2015

“The Metaphysics of Social Objects”

- Workshop for Women in Metaphysics, Rochester, May 2013
- Doc’ in Nicod Seminar, Institut Jean Nicod, Paris, May 2013
- Eidos Metaphysics Seminar, University of Geneva, Geneva, April 2013

“Economics and Social Ontology”

- Collective Intentionality VI, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, July 2008

TEACHING

U = undergraduate, G = graduate

At CEU:

Aristotelian Metaphysics (with István Bodnár) (G)	Fall 2022
Critical Reasoning (U)	Fall 2022
Social Metaphysics (G)	Winter 2022
Philosophy of Gender and Race (G)	Fall 2021
Philosophy of Social Science (U)	Fall 2021

At UNC Chapel Hill:

Justice, Rights, and the Common Good (U)	Spring 2021
Gateway to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (U)	Fall 2020

At Dartmouth:

Philosophy and Economics (U)	Spring: 2018, 2019, 2020
Philosophy and Gender (U)	Winter 2019
The Social World (U)	Fall 2018
Philosophy of Race, Gender, and Sexuality (U)	Winter 2018
Ethics of Freedom, Paternalism, and Intervention (U)	Fall 2017

At NYU:

Logic (U)	Fall 2016, Spring 2017
Aesthetics (U)	Sum 2013, Spring 2017
Philosophy of Science (U)	Sum 2014

STUDENT ADVISING AND EXAMINING

At CEU:

- Denis Kazankov, PhD student, Primary advisor, 2021–present
- James Luong, MA student, MA Thesis Supervisor, 2021–22
- Maarten van Doorn, PhD student, Internal Examiner for PhD Defense, May 2022
- Jooseppi Räikkönen, MA Thesis Supervisor, 2022–23

- Shabnam Singla, MA Thesis Supervisor, 2022–23
- Ayda Uzel, MA Thesis Supervisor, 2022–23

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

At CEU:

- MA Graduate Admissions Committee, Member, 2021–22
- Committee on Academic Integrity, Member, 2021–22
- 2nd CEU Undergraduate Philosophy Essay Competition, Faculty Judge, 2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Leadership Positions:

- Vice President, International Social Ontology Society, 2022–2024
- Co-founder, Annual Social Metaphysics Workshop (with Kevin Richardson)

Committees:

- Nominating Committee of the International Social Ontology Society, Member, 2022
- Scientific Committee of the Social Ontology/Collective Intentionality 2022 Conference, Member, University of Vienna, Vienna, 2022

Refereeing: *Analytic Philosophy, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Philosophy Association Congress, Dialectica, Hypatia, Inquiry, Journal of Philosophy, Journal of Social Ontology, Journal of Social Philosophy, Journal of the American Philosophical Association, Metaphysics (x2), Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophers' Imprint, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Review, Philosophical Studies; 2021 Meeting of the PPE Society, 2022 Meeting of the PPE Society, Conference on Essentialism and Anti-Essentialism, Institute for Advanced Study at CEU (x2), Social Ontology/Collective Intentionality 2022 Conference, Swiss National Science Foundation*

Organizing of talks and conferences:

- 3rd Annual Social Metaphysics Workshop, Co-organizer (with Kevin Richardson), Duke University, Durham, NC, 2022
- 2nd Annual Social Metaphysics Workshop, Co-organizer (with Kevin Richardson), North Carolina State University and UNC Chapel Hill, Online, 2021
- PPE Spring Author Series, Organizer, UNC Chapel Hill, Online, 2021
- Early Career Social Metaphysics Workshop, Co-organizer (with Kevin Richardson), North Carolina State University and UNC Chapel Hill, Online, 2020
- Sapientia Departmental Talk, Organizer, Dartmouth (x2), Hanover, NH, 2017–19
- California Metaphysics Conference, Assistant Organizer, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, 2014
- NYU/Columbia Graduate Student Conference, Co-organizer, New York University, New York, 2011

LANGUAGES

English, Russian