

Curriculum Vitae

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A. Biographical Information

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2. Degrees

2.1. Main Degrees

PhD 2006, Interfaculty PhD program in Society, Civilization and Economy in the Indian Subcontinent, University “La Sapienza”, Rome (Italy)
Thesis’ title: *Validity of Sacred Texts in Mīmāṃsā Tradition*
Supervisor: Prof. Raffaele Torella

BA *summa cum laude* 2002, Philosophy, University “La Sapienza”, Rome (Italy)
Thesis’ title: *Testimonianza e certezza nella Logique de Port Royal*
Supervisors: Prof. Mirella Capozzi and Prof. Marco Maria Olivetti
Laurea *summa cum laude* 2001, South Asian Studies, University “La Sapienza”, Rome (Italy)
Thesis’ title: *Le stanze della liberazione di Sadyojyotis con il commento di Rāmakaṇṭha*.
Supervisors: Prof. Raffaele Torella and Prof. Raniero Gnoli

2.2. Other Degrees and Qualifications

Habilitation 2014 Habilitation in South Asian Studies (awarded by the Italian Minister of Education and Research)
Classical Tibetan 2003 Three years degree in Tibetan Language and Civilization (Istituto Italiano per l’Africa e l’Oriente)

3. Employment

- University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy
Associate Professor for South Asian Philosophy, 1.7.2023–present
- University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy
Assistant Professor for South Asian Philosophy, 1.2.2020–30.6.2023

- Austrian Academy of Sciences, IKGA, Vienna
Co-Project leader of a WWTF project, 15.5.2017–31.12.2022
- Institute for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna
“Assistentin”, 1.2.2017–31.8.2020.
- Austrian Academy of Sciences, IKGA, Vienna
Project leader of a FWF project, 1.3.2015–31.8.2020.
- Institute for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna
Lecturer, 1.3.2014–31.1.2017
- Technische Universität Wien
Research assistant in the START project “Non classical proofs: theory, applications and tools” (Project leader Agata Ciabattoni), 15.11.2014–28.2.2015.
- Austrian Academy of Sciences, IKGA, Vienna
Project leader of a FWF project “Epistemology of Sacred Texts in the *Seśvaramīmāṃsā*”, 1.9.2012–30.9.2014
- Japanese Society for the Promotion of Sciences, Kyushu University, Fukuoka
Fellow, 29.2–30.3.2012.
- Wolfson College, Oxford
Michael Coulson Fellowship in Indology, Hilary Term (31.1–31.3) 2011.
- University “La Sapienza”, Rome
Research Fellow of Sanskrit, 1.1.2009–31.12.2011.
- University of Milan
Renewable grant awarded for training activities in a foreign country, 1.11.2007–31.12.2008.
- University “La Sapienza”, Rome
Lecturer, 1.3.2007–30.9.2007.

5. Professional Affiliations and Activities

- Founder of the Coffee Break Project and organiser or co-organiser of ten Coffee Break Conferences (workshops dedicated to a participated approach to knowledge and methodologies) from 2010 to 2024 (see <http://asiatica.wikispaces.com>).
- Organiser of several other conferences and panels within conferences (DOT 2013, EAAA 2014, IABS 2014, WSC 2015, The challenge of postcolonial Indian Philosophy 2017, ECSAS 2021, WSC 2022...) and of several workshops on Sanskrit Philosophy of Language and on Religion in the Sanskrit cosmopolis at the Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History of Asia of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (see <http://mimamsalanguage.wordpress.com>).
- Member of the advisory board of the *Journal of South Asian Intellectual History* (Brill).
- Member of the advisory board of *Philosophy East and West* (2020–)

- Member of the editorial board of *Philosophy Compass*, Indian Philosophy section (2021–)
- Founder and author of several philosophical blogs, aiming at reaching out to a broader public: elisafreschi.com; indianphilosophyblog.org; philosopherscocoontypepad.com.
- Member of the AAR-Hindu Philosophy Committee (2025–)
- Member of the Commission for the Roland Atefie Award (awarded for an outstanding doctoral thesis in the fields of philosophy, theology or indology) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (2018–2021).
- Member of the Academic Committee for the Conference of the European Association of South Asian Studies (2018–2021).
- Member of the Academic board of the International PhD course in Philological and Literary, Historical and Cultural Studies of the University of Cagliari in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh and Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie (2018–)

B. Academic History

6.i. Research Endeavours

- Epistemology, linguistics, logic and philosophy of religion of the Mīmāṃsā and Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta schools, especially as regards the sacred texts as instrument of knowledge
- History of Sanskrit Philosophy 500– 1400 CE
- Cross-cultural Philosophy especially in the fields of linguistics, epistemology, philosophy of religion, and deontic logic

6.ii. Main Research Grants

- 1.4.2022–31.3.2027 Project leader of the SSHRC project (435-2002-0324) “New voices in deontic philosophy: The contribution of Mandana”, 76,787.00 CAD, University of Toronto
- 22.3.2024–21.3.2025 SSHRC grant (611-2023-0692) “Kumārila Studies Conference”, 16,973.00 CAD, University of Toronto
- 15.5.2017–31.12.2022 Co-Project leader of the WWTF project (MA16_028) “Reasoning tools for deontic logic and Applications to Indian Sacred Texts”, 628,200.00 €, Technische Universität Wien and Austrian Academy of Sciences
- 1.3.2015–31.8.2020 Project leader of the Elise Richter project (FWF V400) “A South Indian Philosophical Synthesis: The *aikaśāstrya*”, 320,577.61 €, Austrian Academy of Sciences, IKGA, Vienna
- 2016 FWF project PUB 403 covering the publication costs for *Adaptive Reuse* (ed. by Freschi and Maas, 2017), 6,869.00 €
- 1.9.2012–30.9.2014 Project leader of the Lise Meitner project (FWF M1437) “Epistemology of Sacred Texts in the *Seśvaramīmāṃsā*”, 133,360.00 €, Austrian Academy of Sciences, IKGA, Vienna

- 29.2–30.3.2012 Fellowship of the Japanese Society for the Promotion of Sciences, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan
- 31.1–31.3.2011 Michael Coulson Fellowship in Indology, Wolfson College, Oxford
- 1.11.2007–31.12.2008 Renewable grant awarded by the University of Milan for training activities in a foreign country

C. Scholarly, Creative and Professional Work

7. Refereed Publications

7.i. Books Authored

1. *One God, one System. Veikaṭanātha's contribution to Sanskrit Philosophy*, OUP (forthcoming in 2026).
2. (with Tiziana Pontillo), *Rule-extension-strategies in Ancient India: Śrautasūtra, Mīmāṃsā and Grammar on tantra- and prasaṅga- principles*, Frankfurt a.M: Fritz Lang (2013) (reviewed by Émilie Aussant (*Journal of South Asian Languages and Linguistics*, 4.2 (2017), pp. 309–310)).
3. *Duty, language and exegesis in Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā: Including an edition and translation of Rāmānujācārya's Tantrarāhasya, Śāstraprameyaparicheda*, Leiden: Brill (2012) (reviewed by Hugo David (*BEFEO*, 99 (2012–13), pp. 395–408), Gavin Flood (*Journal of Hindu Studies*, 8.3 (2015), pp. 326–328), Andrew Ollett (*Philosophy East and West*, 65.2 (2015), pp. 632–636) and Taisei Shida (*Nagoya Studies in Indian Culture and Buddhism. Saṃbhāṣā*, 31 (2014), pp. 84–87)).

7.ii. Articles

4. (with Agata Ciabattoni and Josephine Dik), “Mīmāṃsā on ‘better-not’ permissions”, *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 54, pp. 651–689 (2025).
5. (with Marco Ferrante), “The principle of suspension (*bādha*) in early Mīmāṃsā: the case of *prāpta*- and *aprāptabādha*”, *Journal of South Asian Intellectual History* 6, pp. 215–257 (2023) [appeared in 2024].
6. (with Ajay Rao and Jonathan Peterson), “Oral Commentary and Scholastic Debate in Sanskrit”. In: Amanda Goodman and Suzanne Akbari (eds.), *The Medieval Globe Reader. Special issue on Practices of Commentary: Medieval Traditions and Their Transmission* 9.2, pp. 91–105 (2023).
7. (with Emily Baron), “Action, Intention, and Negligence: Manu and Medhātithi on Mental States and Blame”, *Journal of Indian Philosophy* 51 (2023), pp. 25–47.
8. “Introduction”. In: Elisa Freschi (ed.), *Sanskrit Jurisprudence and Hermeneutics on How to Solve Legal Controversies*. Special issue of *Religions of South Asia* 17.1 (2023), pp. 1–5.
9. “Getting in the mind of Medhātithi: The arguments on corporal punishment”. In: Elisa Freschi (ed.), *Sanskrit Jurisprudence and Hermeneutics on How to Solve Legal Controversies*. Special issue of *Religions of South Asia* 17.1 (2023), pp. 64–76.

10. (with Kees van Berkel, Agata Ciabattoni, Francesca Gulisano and Maya Olszewski) “Deontic paradoxes in Mīmāṃsā logics: there and back again”, *Journal of Logic, Language and Information* 32 (2023), pp. 19–62.
11. (with Matteo Pascucci) “Deontic concepts and their clash in Mīmāṃsā: Towards an interpretation”, *Theoria*, 87.3 2021, pp. 659–703.
12. “Is the Theory of Karman the Solution to the Problem of Evil? Some Thoughts from Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”, *Religions* 12, No. 10 (2021).
13. “Śālikanātha on what counts as knowledge and as sense-perception in the *Pramāṇaparāyaṇa*”, *Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde Südasiens*, 58 (2021), pp. 179–192.
14. “Veṅkaṭanātha’s impact on Śrīvaiṣṇavism: the case of Hayagrīva iconography”. In: Marzenna Czerniak-Drożdżowicz (ed.), *gurum upapadyamahe: The Volume Dedicated to Professor Gerhard Oberhammer*. Special issue of *Cracow Indological Studies*, 21.1 (2019), pp. 107–136.
15. (with Andrew Ollett and Matteo Pascucci), “Duty and Sacrifice. A Logical Analysis of the Mīmāṃsā Theory of Vedic Injunctions”, *History and Philosophy of Logic*, 40.4 (2019), pp. 323–354.
16. “Commenting by weaving together texts: Veṅkaṭanātha’s *Seśvaramīmāṃsā* and the Sanskrit philosophical commentaries”. In: Islam Dayeh (ed.), *Commentary Cultures: Technologies of Medieval Reading*. Special issue of *Philological Encounters* 3 (2018), pp. 337–358.
17. “The role of *paribhāṣās* in Mīmāṃsā: rational rules of textual exegesis”. In: Gianni Pellegrini (ed.), *Meanings out of Rules! Definitions, functions and uses of paribhāṣās in Śrautasūtras, Vyākaraṇa, Mīmāṃsā and Vedānta*. Special issue of *Asiatische Studien* 72.2 (2018), pp. 567–595.
18. (with Elise Coquereau-Saouma) “Introduction”. In: Elise Coquereau-Saouma and Elisa Freschi (eds.), *The Challenge of Postcolonial Philosophy in India: Too Alien for Contemporary Philosophers, too Modern for Sanskritists?* Special Issue of *Sophia. International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions* 57.3 (2018), pp. 357–361.
19. “Bhakti in Rāmānuja: Continuities and changes of perspective”, in *Adyar Library Bulletin* 81–82 (2017–2018), pp. 285–311.
20. “There is no ‘East’: Deconstructing the idea of Asia and rethinking the disciplines working on it”. In: Elisa Freschi, Daniele Cuneo and Camillo Formigatti (eds.), *There is no East. Constructing Sexuality, Conceptualising the Philosophy of Testimony, Thinking Manuscripts across Media* Special Issue of *Kervan* (2017) 21, pp. 9–14.
21. “There in only ‘Philosophy’. The case of testimony”. In: Elisa Freschi, Daniele Cuneo and Camillo Formigatti (eds.), *There is no East. Constructing Sexuality, Conceptualising the Philosophy of Testimony, Thinking Manuscripts across Media* Special Issue of *Kervan* (2017) 21, pp. 141–154.

22. “Veṅkaṭanātha’s engagement with Buddhist opponents in the Buddhist texts he reused”. In: Cathy Cantwell, Elisa Freschi and Jowita Kramer (eds.), *The reuse of texts in Buddhist literature*, special issue of *Buddhist Studies Review* (2017) 33.1–2, pp. 65–99.
23. “What does *nitya* mean in Mīmāṃsā?”, *Journal of UA Foundation for Indological Studies* (2017) 3, pp. 1–14.
24. (with Cathy Cantwell) “Introduction”. In: Cathy Cantwell, Elisa Freschi and Jowita Kramer (eds.), *The reuse of texts in Buddhist literature*, special issue of *Buddhist Studies Review* (2017) 33.1–2, pp. 1–7.
25. (with Agata Ciabattini, Francesco A. Genco and Björn Lellmann) “Understanding prescriptive texts: rules and logic elaborated by the Mīmāṃsā school”, in *Journal of World Philosophies* (2017) 2.1, pp. 47–66.
26. (with Elise Coquereau and Muzaffar Ali) “Counterposition and dialogue in history: Daya Krishna’s interpretation of “dialogue” in classical Indian philosophy and its implications in contemporary Indian philosophy”, in *Culture and Dialogue* (2017), 5.2, pp. 173–209.
27. (with Malcom Keating) “How do we gather knowledge through language?”, *Journal of World Philosophies* (2017) 2.1, pp. 42–46.
28. “Which kind of truth for the Veda as conceived by Mīmāṃsā authors?”, *Sanskrtacintanam* 1 (2016), pp. 47–54.
29. “Free Will in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta: Rāmānuja, Sudarśana Sūri and Veṅkaṭanātha”, *Religion Compass* 9.9 (2015), pp. 287–296.
30. “Quotations, References, etc. A glance on the writing habits of a late Mīmāṃsaka”. In: Elisa Freschi (ed.), *The Reuse of Texts in Indian Philosophy*. Special Issue of *Journal of Indian Philosophy*, 43.2–3 (2015), pp. 219–255.
31. “Systematizing an absent category: discourses on “nature” in Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā”. In: Giorgio Milanetti and Raffaele Torella (eds.) *The Human Person and Nature in Classical and Modern India, Supplemento della Rivista di Studi Orientali* LXXXVIII, Nr. 2 (2015), pp. 45–54.
32. “The reuse of texts in Indian Philosophy. Introduction”. In: Elisa Freschi (ed.), *The Reuse of Texts in Indian Philosophy*. Special Issue of *Journal of Indian Philosophy*, 43.2–3 (2015), pp. 85–108.
33. “Proposals for the Study of Quotations in Indian Philosophical Texts”, in *Religions of South Asia* 6.2 (2012), pp. 161–189.
34. (with Kei Kataoka), “Jayanta on the Validity of Sacred Texts. Annotated English Translation and Study”, in *South Asian Classical Studies* 161 (2012), pp. 1–55.
35. “General Introduction”. In: Elisa Freschi, Artemij Keidan, Matilde Adduci, Cristina Bignami, Daniele Cuneo, Camillo Formigatti and Elena Mucciarelli (eds.) *The Study of Asia between Antiquity and Modernity. The first Coffee Break Conference*. Special Issue of the *Rivista di Studi Orientali* LXXXIV (2011), pp. 37–42.

36. “Facing the boundaries of epistemology: Kumārila on error and negative cognition”, in *Journal of Indian Philosophy* 38 (2010), pp. 39–48.
37. “Abhāvapramāṇa and error in Kumārila’s commentators”, in *Nagoya Studies in Indian Culture and Buddhism: Saṃbhāṣā* 27 (2008), pp. 1–29.
38. “How do exhortative expressions work? Bhāvanā and vidhi in Rāmānujācārya and other Mīmāṃsā authors”, in *Rivista di Studi Orientali* 81 (2008), pp. 149–185.
39. “Structuring the Chaos: Bhāṭṭa Mīmāṃsā Hermeneutics as Depicted in Rāmānujācārya’s Śāstraprāmāṇyapariccheda. Critical Edition and Annotated Translation of the Forth Section”, in *East and West* 58 (2008), pp. 157–184.
40. “Desidero Ergo Sum: The Subject as the Desirous One in Mīmāṃsā”, in *Rivista di Studi Orientali* 80 (2007), pp. 51–61.
41. “Unveiling (Indian) Philosophy”, in *Rivista di Studi Sudasiatici* 2 (2007), pp. 265–270.

7.iii. Book Chapters

42. “From Global to Local Atheist Conceptions of “God” in Mīmāṃsā”. In: Alan Herbert, Ricardo Sousa Silvestre, and Benedikt Paul Göcke (eds.), *Handbook on Indian Concepts of God*, OUP (forthcoming in 2026).
43. “Rethinking Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta: The Role of Pūrva Mīmāṃsā in early Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”. In: Marcus Schmücker (ed.), *God, Vedic Authority, and Devotion: Theological and Philosophical Concepts in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta*, De Gruyter (forthcoming).
44. “Are the limbs of God’s body free? Yes, if He wants so —Free will in and before Veṅkaṭanātha”. In: Marcus Schmücker, *God, Vedic Authority, and Devotion: Theological and Philosophical Concepts in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta*, De Gruyter (forthcoming).
45. “God’s omniscience and the world’s reality: Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta perspectives on God and His knowledge”. In: Arindam Chakrabarti and Matthew Dasti (eds.), *Realism/Anti-Realism, Omniscience, God/No-God*, New York: SUNY (forthcoming).
46. “Descriptive and prescriptive language in the Vedas: The Pūrva Mīmāṃsā interpretation of the Vedas from Śaṅkara to Rāmānuja and after him”. In: Godabarisha Mishra and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad (eds.), *The World of Ramanuja: Tradition and Thought in History and Today*, Routledge (forthcoming).
47. “Śrī Vaiṣṇavism: The making of a theology”. In: Archana Venkatesan (ed.), *Many Vaiṣṇavisms: Histories of the worship of Viṣṇu*, Oxford: Oxford University Press (forthcoming).
48. “Amazing grace: the path to liberation in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta and especially in the work of Veṅkaṭanātha”. In: Cristina Pecchia, Marion Rastelli and Vincent Eltschinger (eds.), *Paths to Liberation in Hindu Traditions*, Brill (2026).

49. “Mīmāṃsā Epistemology”. In: Kurt Sylvan (ed.), *Blackwell Companion to Epistemology*, Blackwell (2025).
50. “Absence in Sanskrit Epistemology”. In: Kurt Sylvan (ed.), *Blackwell Companion to Epistemology* (2025).
51. “Theories of Error in Sanskrit Epistemology”. In: Kurt Sylvan (ed.), *Blackwell Companion to Epistemology* (2025).
52. “Rāmānuja. Commentary on the Bhagavadgītā. Veṅkaṭanātha. Shedding Light on the Contextual Meaning of the Bhagavadgītā”. In: Mohammed Rustom (ed.), *Global Philosophy Sourcebook*, Sheffield: Equinox, chapter 55 (2025).
53. “Rāmānujācārya. The essence of the system. Chapter on language.” In: Mohammed Rustom (ed.), *Global Philosophy Sourcebook*, Sheffield: Equinox, chapter 24 (2025).
54. “Omnipresence from an ontological to a relational concept, from Nyāya to Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”. In: Anna Marmodoro, Damiano Migliorini and Ben Page (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Omnipresence*, OUP, chapter 23 (2025).
55. “Mīmāṃsā and Dharmaśāstra Sources on Permissions”. In: Philipp A. Maas and Anthony Cerulli (eds.), *Suhrdayasaṃhitā. A Compendium of Studies on South Asian Culture, Philosophy, and Religion Dedicated to Dominik Wujastyk*. Halle: Universitätsverlag Halle-Wittenberg (Studia Indologica Universitatis Halensis) (2024).
56. (with Agata Ciabattoni and Josephine Dik) “Disambiguating permissions: A contribution from Mīmāṃsā”. In: *Deontic Logic and Normative Systems: 16th International Conference (DEON 2022/2023, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières)*, College Publications (2023).
57. “Omniscience”. In: Jeffery D. Long, Rita D. Sherma, Pankaj Jain and Madhu Khanna (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Indian Religions. Hinduism and Tribal Religions*, Dordrecht: Springer 2022.
58. “Veṅkaṭanātha/Vedānta Deśika”. In: Jeffery D. Long, Rita D. Sherma, Pankaj Jain and Madhu Khanna (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Indian Religions. Hinduism and Tribal Religions*, Dordrecht: Springer 2022.
59. “Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”. In: Jeffery D. Long, Rita D. Sherma, Pankaj Jain and Madhu Khanna (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Indian Religions. Hinduism and Tribal Religions*, Dordrecht: Springer 2022.
60. “Thinking along with texts. Why one doesn’t understand texts without philosophical reflection and can’t do philosophy without inspiration”. In: Steven Burik, Robert Smid and Ralph Weber (eds.), *Comparative Philosophy and Method. Contemporary Practices and Future Possibilities*, Bloomsbury 2022, chapter 6, pp. 97–115.

61. “The role of emotions in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”. In: Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Maria Heim and Roy Tzohar (eds.), *The Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Emotions in Classical Indian Philosophy*, Bloomsbury 2021, pp. 49–68.
62. “Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta”. In: Stewart Goetz, Charles Taliaferro (eds.), *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Philosophy of Religion*, Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell, 2021.
63. “Mīmāṃsā between epistemology and hermeneutics: The history of arthāpatti”. In: Vincent Eltschinger, Birgit Kellner, Ethan Mills (eds.), *A Road Less Traveled. Felicitation Volume in Honor of John Taber*. Wien: Arbeitskreis für Tibetische und Buddhistische Studien. Universität Wien 2021, pp. 175–217.
64. (with Kees van Berkel, Agata Ciabattoni, Francesca Gulisano and Maya Olszewski) “The Gentle Murder Paradox in Sanskrit Philosophy”. In: Fenrong Liu, Alessandra Marra, Paul Portner and Frederik Van De Putte (eds.), *Deontic Logic and Normative Systems: 15th International Conference (DEON 2020/2021 Munich)*, College Publications 2021.
65. “Meanings of Words and Sentences in Mīmāṃsā”. In: Alessandro Graheli (ed.), *The Bloomsbury handbook of Indian philosophy of language*, Bloomsbury 2020, chapter 9, pp. 181–201.
66. “The deontic nature of language in the Mīmāṃsā school and thereafter”. In: Alessandro Graheli (ed.), *The Bloomsbury handbook of Indian philosophy of language*, Bloomsbury 2020, chapter 15, pp. 295–312.
67. (with Andrew Ollett), “Kumarila Bhatta’s *Explanation in Verse*”. In: Malcolm C. Keating (ed.), *Controversial Reasoning in Indian Philosophy: Major Texts and Arguments on Arthāpatti*, Bloomsbury 2020, chapter 1, pp. 43–88.
68. (with Andrew Ollett) “Prabhākara’s *Long Explanation*”. In: Malcolm C. Keating (ed.) *Controversial Reasoning in Indian Philosophy: Major Texts and Arguments on Arthāpatti*, Bloomsbury 2020, chapter 2, pp. 89–94.
69. (with Andrew Ollett) “Śālikanātha’s *Straightforward and Lucid Gloss; Comprehensive Survey of the Epistemic Instruments*”. In: Malcolm C. Keating (ed.) *Controversial Reasoning in Indian Philosophy: Major Texts and Arguments on Arthāpatti*, Bloomsbury 2020, chapter 3, pp. 95–110.
70. “We resort to reason”: The argumentative structure in Veṅkaṭanātha’s *Seśvaramīmāṃsā*. In: Black Brian and Ram-Prasad Chakravarthi (eds.), *In Dialogue with Classical Indian Traditions: Encounter, Transformation and Interpretation*, Routledge 2019, chapter 4, pp. 66–83.
71. (with Kees van Berkel, Agata Ciabattoni and Sanjay Modgil), “Evaluating Networks of Arguments: A Case Study in Mīmāṃsā Dialectics”. In: Patrick Blackburn, Emiliano Lorini and Meiyun Guo (eds.), *Logic, Rationality, and Interaction*, Springer 2019, pp. 355–369.

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73. “Mīmāṃsā”. In: Puruṣottama Bilimoria (ed.), *Routledge History of Indian Philosophy*, Routledge 2017, pp. 148–156.
74. “Reusing, Adapting, Distorting? Veṅkaṭanātha’s reuse of Rāmānuja, Yā-muna and the Vṛttikāra in his commentary ad PMS 1.1.1 ”. In: Elisa Freschi and Philipp A. Maas (eds.) *Adaptive Reuse: Aspects of Creativity in South-Asian Cultural History*, Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes, Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz 2017, pp. 281–326.
75. *The “frame” status of Veda-originated knowledge in Mīmāṃsā*. In: Alice Crisanti, Cinzia Pieruccini, Chiara Policardi and Paola M. Rossi (eds.) *Anantaratnaprabhava. Studi in onore di Giuliano Boccali*, Università degli Studi di Milano-Dipartimento di Studi letterari, filologici e linguistici, Ledizioni, Milano 2017, volume 2, pp. 9–20.
76. (with Artemij Keidan) “Understanding a philosophical text: a multi-disciplinary approach to the problem of “meaning” in Jayanta’s *Nyayamañjarī*, book 5”. In: Patrick McAllister (ed.), *Reading Bhaṭṭa Jayanta on Buddhist Nominalism*, Wien: Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften 2017, pp. 251–290.
77. (with Philipp A. Maas) “Introduction”. In: Elisa Freschi and Philipp A. Maas (eds.) *Adaptive Reuse: Aspects of Creativity in South-Asian Cultural History*, Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes, Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz 2017, pp. 11–25.
78. “Veṅkaṭanātha”, in *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy* 2016.
<http://www.iep.utm.edu/venkatan/>
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81. “Does the subject have desires? The Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā answer”. In: Giovanni Ciotti, Alastair Gornell, Paolo Visigalli (eds.), *Puṣpikā 2: Tracing Ancient India Through Texts and Traditions. Contributions to Current Research in Indology*, Oxford: Oxbow Books 2014, pp. 55–86.
82. “Freedom Because of Duty. The Problem of Agency in Mīmāṃsā”. In: Edwin Bryant and Matthew Dasti (eds.), *Free Will, Agency, and Selfhood in Indian Philosophy*, Oxford: Oxford University Press 2014, pp. 137–163.
83. “The Study of Indian Linguistics. Prescriptive Function of Language in the Nyāyamañjarī and in the Speech Act Theory”. In: Alexander A. Stolyarov and Joe Pellegrino (eds.), *Open Pages in South Asian Studies*, Woodland Hills, California: SASA Books 2014, pp. 27–62.

84. “Did Mīmāṃsā authors formulate a theory of action?”. In: Nina Mirnig, Péter-Dániel Szántó and Michael Williams (eds.), *Puṣpikā: Tracing Ancient India Through Texts and Traditions. Contributions to Current Research in Indology*, Oxford: Oxbow Books 2013, pp. 151–172.
85. (with Tiziana Pontillo), “When one thing applies more than once: *tantra* and *prasaṅga* in Śrautasūtra, Mīmāṃsā and Grammar”. In: Tiziana Pontillo and Maria Piera Candotti (eds.), *Signless Signification. In Ancient India and Beyond*, London: Anthem 2013, pp. 33–98.
86. “Action, Desire and Subjectivity in Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā”. In: Irina Kuznetsova, Jonardon Ganeri and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad (eds.), *Hindu and Buddhist Ideas in Dialogue: Self and No-Self*, Farnham: Ashgate 2012, pp. 147–164.
87. “Indian Philosophers”. In: Costantine Sandis and Timothy O’Connor (eds.), *A Companion to the Philosophy of Action*, Wiley-Blackwell 2010, pp. 419–428.
88. (with Alessandro Graheli) “Bhāṭṭamīmāṃsā and Nyāya on Veda and Tradition”. In: Federico Squarcini (ed.) *Boundaries, Dynamics and Construction of Traditions in South Asia*, Firenze and New Delhi: Firenze University Press and Munshiram Manoharlal 2005, pp. 287–323.

7.iv. Books Edited

89. *Maṇḍana on Commands*, OUP (forthcoming).
90. *Sanskrit Jurisprudence and Hermeneutics on How to Solve Legal Controversies*. Special issue of *Religions of South Asia* 17.1 (2023).
91. (with Suganya Anandakichenin, Naresh Keerthi, Srilata Raman), *Vaiṣṇava Material Culture*. Special issue of *Journal of Hindu Studies*, 16.2 (2023).
92. (with Elise Coquereau-Saouma) *The Challenge of Postcolonial Philosophy in India: Too Alien for Contemporary Philosophers, too Modern for Sanskritists?* Special Issue of *Sophia. International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions* 57 (2018), pp. 143. Email of the co-editor: elise.coquereau@gmail.com
93. (with Cathy Cantwell and Jowita Kramer) *The reuse of texts in Buddhist literature*. Special Issue of *Buddhist Studies Review* 33.1–2 (2017), pp. 316. Email of the co-editors: catherine.cantwell@orinst.ox.ac.uk; jowitakramer@hotmail.com
94. (with Philipp A. Maas) *Adaptive Reuse: Aspects of Creativity in South-Asian Cultural History*, Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes, Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz 2017, pp. 372 (reviewed by Marco Ferrante for *Rivista di Studi Orientali* XC, 1-4 (2017), pp. 188–192). Email of the co-editor: philipp.a.maas@gmail.com
95. (with Daniele Cuneo and Camillo Formigatti) *There is no East. Constructing Sexuality, Conceptualising the Philosophy of Testimony, Thinking Manuscripts across Media* Special Issue of *Kervan* 21 (2017), pp. 395. Email of the co-editors: danielcuneo@hotmail.com; camillo.formigatti@bodlean.ox.ac.uk

96. *The re-use of texts in Indian philosophy*. Special issues of the *Journal of Indian Philosophy* 43.2–3 and 4–5 (2015), pp. 504 (191+313).
97. (with Artemij Keidan, Matilde Adduci, Cristina Bignami, Daniele Cuneo, Camillo Formigatti and Elena Mucciarelli) *The Study of Asia between Antiquity and Modernity. The first Coffee Break Conference*. Special issue of *Rivista di Studi Orientali* LXXXIV (2011), pp. 367. Email of the co-editors: artemio.keidan@gmail.com; matildeadduci@hotmail.com; cristinabignami@hotmail.com; danielcuneo@hotmail.com; camillo.formigatti@bodleian.ox.ac.uk; elena@mucciarelli.it

8. Main Non-Refereed Publications

8.i. Articles

98. “Alternative theisms”, *The Philosophers Magazine* 82 (2018), pp. 94–98.
99. “Cosa succederebbe se Woody Allen avesse un’etica da imporre? Riflessioni teologiche su You will meet a tall dark stranger”, *Rifrazioni* 15.2 (2015), pp. 166–181.

8.ii. Book Chapters

100. “Reconstructing an episode in the history of philosophy: arthāpatti in Kumārila’s commentators”. In: Francesco Sfera and Vincenzo Vergiani (eds.), *Verità e bellezza. Essays in Honour of Raffaele Torella*, Napoli: Università di Napoli ‘L’Orientale’ (2022), pp. 457–486.
101. “God wishes autonomous actions: Free will in and before Veṅkaṭanātha”. In: Raffaele Torella (ed.), *Italian Scholars on India. Volume 1: Classical Indology*, Motilal Banarsidass (2021), pp. 301–330.

9. Manuscripts submitted to publishers

9.iii. Books Edited

102. (with Srilata Raman), *Vaiṣṇava Material Culture 2*. Special issue of *Journal of Hindu Studies* (currently under peer review).

10. Conference & Symposia Presentations

Lectures at panels and conferences organised by myself are marked with two asterisks.

1. *Against yogic perception: on Jed Forman’s Out of sight into the mind*, APA Conference, Chicago, 18–22 February 2026
2. *Why Do People Obey Commands? Deontics in Maṇḍana’s Mīmāṃsā*, APA Conference, Chicago, 18–22 February 2026.
3. ***Veṅkaṭanātha on permanently liberated selves in Vaikuṇṭha*, CBC, Rome, 22–23 December 2025.
4. *How do we know about dharma? Talking rationally about irrational ideas*, Conference for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Leiden, 9–11 July 2025.

5. *Building a network of scholars in Indian Philosophy. Or: Do we need a community of scholars of Sanskrit philosophy? Why?*, APA Conference, New York, 8–11 January 2025.
6. ***Rāmānuja’s Śaraṇāgati*, CBC, Rome, 21—22 December 2024.
7. *Veṅkaṭanātha’s adaptive reuse of Mīmāṃsā critiques of yogipratyakṣa — with a final twist*, within the conference “Special Forms of Perception in Buddhist and Brahmanical Philosophy”, Yale University, 4—6 November 2024.
8. *Some comments on the epistemology of testimony in Sanskrit philosophy*, APA Conference, New York, 15–18 January 2024.
9. ***Sarcasm as a rhetorical device in philosophical texts*, CBC, University of Groningen, 3–5 July 2023.
10. ***Looking for sarcasm among Viśiṣṭādvaita authors*, CBC, University of Groningen, 3–5 July 2023.
11. ***Invalidation (bādha) from hermeneutics to epistemology in Kumārila*, World Sanskrit Conference, special panel “Towards a history of the Mīmāṃsā system”, Canberra (held virtually), 11 January 2023.
12. *Vaikuṇṭha from Rāmānuja to Veṅkaṭanātha*, Vaikuṇṭha conference, organised by Srilata Raman, University of Toronto, 1–2 December 2022.
13. *How Kumārila shows that the internalism-externalism approach is not the only way to think about epistemology and justification. An intercultural philosophical approach*, American-Academy of Religion, round-table on Hindu Philosophy, Denver (Colorado), 19 November 2022.
14. (with Ajay Rao and Jonathan Peterson), *Vedānta commentaries between continuity and contemporary practice*, University of Toronto, 1–2 October 2022 (within the symposium “Practices of Commentary”, IAS).
15. *Getting in the Mind of Medhātithi With the Help of Formal Argumentation*, ECSAS, Vienna, 26–29.7.2021 (within the panel “Sanskrit Jurisprudence and Hermeneutics on How to Solve Legal Controversies” I organised and chaired)
16. *It takes pride to be altruist: A Renaissance of altruism in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta?*, A Summer School on European Renaissance and Asian Renaissance, Tübingen, 10th April 2018.
17. (with Agata Ciabattoni) ***Deontic Reasoning: From Mīmāṃsā to AI, Deontic Reasoning: From Ancient Texts to Artificial Intelligence*, TU Wien, 11–13 June 2018 (workshop co-organised with Agata Ciabattoni et al.).
18. ***Is Theology comparable? Comparison applied to “Theology” and “God”*, CBC, Rome, “Sapienza” University, 17–19 September 2015.

19. ***Introduction to the panel “One God—One Śāstra. Philosophical developments towards and within Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta between Nāthamuni and Veṅkaṭanātha”*, 16th World Sanskrit Conference, Bangkok 28th June–2nd July 2015 (co-organised with Marcus Schmücker).
20. ***Rethinking Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta: The role of Pūrva Mīmāṃsā in Veṅkaṭanātha’s systematisation of his school*, 16th World Sanskrit Conference, Bangkok 28th June–2nd July 2015 (co-organised with Marcus Schmücker).
21. ***How Do We Gather Knowledge through Language?*, Athens, 25–28 May 2015 (panel co-organised with Malcolm Keating).
22. ***Conveying Prescriptions: The Mīmāṃsā Understanding of How Prescriptive Texts Function*, Athens, 25–28 May 2015 (panel co-organised with Malcolm Keating).
23. ***Reuse in Texts and the Arts: The case of Hayagrīva’s Descriptions*, EAAA, Olomouc, 25–27 September 2014 (panel co-organised with Julia Hegewald and Cristina Bignami).
24. ***Originality and the Role of Intertextuality in the Context of Buddhist Texts*, IABS 2014 (panel co-organised with Cathy Cantwell and Jowita Kramer).
25. ***Veṅkaṭanātha’s Buddhist opponents as they emerge in the Buddhist texts he reused*, IABS 2014 (panel co-organised with Cathy Cantwell and Jowita Kramer).
26. ***Adaptive Reuse in Texts, Ideas and Images*, DOT, Münster, 23rd September 2013 (panel co-organised with Philipp Maas).
27. ***Reusing, Adapting, Distorting. Veṅkaṭanātha’s reuse of Rāmānuja’s commentary ad BS 1.1.1*, DOT, Münster, 23rd September 2013 (co-organised with Philipp Maas).
28. ***There is only “philosophy”. The case of testimony*, CBC, University of Turin, 4–7 September 2013.
29. ***Quotations and re-use of texts in Sanskrit śāstras*, CBC meeting, Rome, “Sapienza” University, 21–22 December 2012.
30. (with Artemij Keidan) *What is the goal one has in view while editing a philosophical work?*, 15th World Sanskrit Conference, New Delhi 5-10 January 2012.
31. *Between Theism and Atheism: a journey through Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta and Mīmāṃsā*, IIGRS 4, University of Edinburgh, 4–5 September 2011.
32. *Does the subject have desires? The Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā answer*, IIGRS 2, University of Cambridge, 24th September 2010.
33. *Proposals for the Study of Quotations in Indian Philosophical Texts*, STIMW, Manchester, 26 May 2010.

34. *Soggetto e oggetto si incontrano: la filosofia dell'azione nella Mīmāṃsā*. XIV Convegno dell'Associazione Italiana Studi Sanscriti, Naples, 25 September 2009.
35. *Did Mīmāṃsā authors formulate a theory of action?*, IIGRS, Oxford, September 2009.
36. *È possibile un trattamento realista di errore e assenza? La risposta di Kumārila Bhaṭṭa*, XIII Convegno dell'Associazione Italiana Studi Sanscriti, Rome, 25-26 January 2007.

11. Lectures

1. *Thinking about Johannes Bronkhorst*, Conference for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Leiden, 9–11 July 2025.
2. *New sources for deontics: The Mīmāṃsā school of Sanskrit philosophy*, DEON Conference, Vienna, 30 June–3 July 2025.
3. *The deontic system of Mīmāṃsā: Mapping the townscape through Mīmāṃsā and Dharmaśāstra sources* (two talks in two days), University of Cagliari, 28–29 May 2025.
4. *From ontology to soteriology: Veṅkaṭanātha's Śaraṇāgatigadyarakṣārahasya*, Naples, Università L'Orientale, 23 May 2025.
5. *How do we know about dharma? Yogic perception from Dharmakīrti, through Vācaspati and up to Veṅkaṭanātha*, Naples, Università L'Orientale, 19 May 2025.
6. *The deontic system of Mīmāṃsā: Mapping townscape and switches*, Naples, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Filosofici, 19 May 2025.
7. *The deontic system of Mīmāṃsā: Mapping the townscape*, Columbia University, 7 March 2025.
8. *Wandering and wondering in the deontic townscape of Mīmāṃsā*, McMaster University, 31 January 2025.
9. *Rights and responsibilities in the deontic townscape of Mīmāṃsā*, University of Vienna, Institute of Philosophy, 17 January 2025.
10. *Oltre Atene e Berlino: Studiare filosofia senza confini*, Università Roma Tre (online) (within the series “World Philosophy Day. Filosofia in dialogo”), 21 November 2024.
11. *Sisters, sommeliers and gem experts: Yogic perception up to Veṅkaṭanātha*, University of Fudan (online), 8 November 2024.
12. *Reconstructing the deontic townscape of Mīmāṃsā*, University of Vienna, 4 June 2024.
13. *Does one have the right to sacrifice? Deontic concepts in Mīmāṃsā*, History of Science and Philosophy in Premodern India, Edmonton (University of Alberta, Canada), 18 May 2024.

14. *Other Minds and the Minds of Others in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta*, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai (held virtually) (invited lecture within the series “Other Minds”), 12 April 2023.
15. *East of Königsberg: Why we need intercultural philosophy to critically rethink philosophy*, University of Vienna, Institute of Philosophy, 15 November 2022.
16. *A contemporary commentarial philosopher: U.T. Viraraghavacarya*, Age of Vedānta, Chicago, 19 October 2022.
17. *Not all that is not prohibited is permitted! Permissions in the Mīmāṃsā school*, Cosmopolitan Philosophy at University of California, Berkeley (held virtually), 16 March 2022.
18. “You may marry a second wife if the first one is not virtuous or fertile”: *Permissions in Mīmāṃsā*, University of Chicago (held virtually), 20 January 2022.
19. *Epistemology in Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta: Selected readings from Venkaṭanātha’s Śeṣvaramīmāṃsā*, Sanskrit Reading Room, SOAS, London (held virtually) (invited lecture within the series “Sanskrit Reading Room”), 27 April 2021.
20. *Truth and Justification in Sanskrit Philosophy*, Vrije University of Amsterdam, 21 April 2021.
21. *Maṇḍana and prescriptive language. Maṇḍana and the Mīmāṃsā analysis of the prescriptive nature of language*, University of Cagliari and Ramakrishna Mission, Conference on Philosophy of Language (held virtually), 23–25 November 2020.
22. *How does one win an argument? Analogy, authority, inner consistency and other devices in Sanskrit texts*, University of Cagliari (held virtually), 7 July 2020.
23. *Śālikanātha on what counts as valid cognition (pramāṇa)*, two (virtual) lectures at the Südasien Institut, University of Heidelberg, 19th May 2020 and 2nd June 2020.
24. *The role of doubt (saṃśaya) in epistemology and in practical activities according to Bhaṭṭa Jayanta*, Saphala workshop, IKGA, Vienna, 9–20 December 2019.
25. *The Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta Path to Liberation: bhakti- and prapattimārga in the Writings of Vedānta Deśika*, within the symposium *Paths to liberation in Hindu and Sikh traditions*, IKGA, Vienna, 28–29 November 2019.
26. *Aikāśāstrya: ‘Making a single system’*, Age of Vedānta Conference, Stanford University, 16–17 November 2019.
27. *Mīmāṃsā reasoning about conflicting statements, Mahopādhyāyamahotsava: Celebration of a Sanskrit Teacher*, Wolfson College, Oxford, 20 June 2019.

28. *Yāmuna's, Rāmānuja's and Deśikan's commentary on the carama-śloka* (Bhagavadgītā), two guest lectures within the NETamil workshop on Vedānta Deśikan's Cillarai Rahasyaṅkaḷ, Pondichéry (Tamil Natu) 18–22 February 2019.
29. *How to deal with conflicts? Mīmāṃsā reasoning*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, St. George Campus, 11 February 2019.
30. *Deontic logic in Mīmāṃsā*, Wiener Philosophisches Forum, Vienna, 2 October 2018.
31. *Arthāpatti in Kumārila's Ślokavārttika*, Workshop on arthāpatti, Yale-NUS, Singapore, 13–17.8.2018 (<https://sites.google.com/view/arthapatti/home>).
32. *Arthāpatti in Śālikanātha*, Workshop on arthāpatti, Yale-NUS, Singapore, 13–17 August 2018.
33. “We resort to reason”: *The argumentative structure in Veikaṭanātha's Seśvaramīmāṃsā, The Dialogical Indian: Encounters in Premodern Sources*, University of Lancaster, 5–8 July 2017.
34. *(Anti-)Realismus aus der Perspektive des Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta*, lecture part of the series „Interkulturelles Philosophieren: Theorie und Praxis“, University of Vienna, 22 June 2017.
35. *God's omniscience and the world's reality: Viśiṣṭādvaita Vedānta perspectives on God and His knowledge, Realism/Anti-Realism, Omniscience, God/No-God*, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 10–12 March 2017.
36. *Dio non senza qualità L'imprescindibile relazione fra Dio e sue qualificazioni nel pensiero teologico indiano, Relatio Substistens*, University of Verona, 16–17 November 2016.
37. *From authorless words to Vedic prescriptions. The Mīmāṃsā journey from the subject-independent nature of language to the prescriptive nature of language, From Padārthas to Vākyārtha*, University of Cambridge, 11 November 2016.
38. *Knowing the unknowable: Vedānta Deśika on supersensory perception*, Institute of Philosophy, Pedagogical University, Cracow, January 2016.
39. *Body and self in Śrīvaiṣṇavism. A “hands-on” discussion of Veikaṭanātha's Seśvaramīmāṃsā (ad 1.1.5)*, Department of Languages and Cultures of India & South Asia of the Jagiellonian University, January 2016.
40. *Systematizing an absent category: discourses on “nature” in Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā*, conference *The Human Person and Nature in Classical and Modern India*, Rome, “Sapienza” University and Museo Nazionale d'Arte Orientale, 14 March 2013.
41. *Rule-extension strategies in Mīmāṃsā, Śrautasūtra (and Vyākaraṇa): tantra and prasaṅga*, University of Cambridge, 1 November 2012.
42. *Le paribhāṣā nella pūrvamīmāṃsā*, Giornata di Studi Metodologici di Indologia (GSMI) edizione 2012, University of Turin, 22 June 2012.

43. *Filosofia ed epistemologia nell'India Classica*, Collegio di Milano, 3 November 2011.
44. *The Study of Indian Linguistics. Prescriptive Function of Language in the Nyāyamañjarī and in the Speech Act Theory, Open Pages in South Asian Studies*, Centre for South Asian Studies, Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow, 27-28 April 2011.
45. *Quando una sola prescrizione continua a valere anche in absentia: prospettive dalla ritualistica*, Workshop *Il segno e il vuoto*, Università di Cagliari, 8-9 April 2011.
46. *The theory of sound propagation in early Vaiśeṣika*, University of Cambridge, May 2011.
47. *Action, Desire and Subjectivity in Prābhākara Mīmāṃsā*, Conference *Self: Hindū Responses to Buddhist Critiques*, Sussex University, UK, 22-23 September 2010.
48. *Desiderio e determinazione dell'agente nella filosofia indiana*, Università Statale degli Studi di Milano, 17 November 2009.
49. *La Parola nella Filosofia Indiana*, Udine, November 2008.
50. Book presentation of F. Squarcini (ed.), *Boundaries, Dynamics and Construction of Traditions in South Asia* (Munshiram Manoharlal and FUP New Delhi-Firenze 2005), Università "Sapienza", Rome, May 2007.
51. ***Introduzione alla Mīmāṃsā*, Università "Sapienza", Rome, April 2004.

12. Media and Other Public Engagements

- The press cover of the project WWTF MA 16 028 can be read at the project's webpage: <https://mimamsa.logic.at/press.html>
- Interview with Peter Adamson within the Series "History of Philosophy in India": <https://historyofphilosophy.net/mimamsa-freschi>
- Interview with István Zárdai within the Series "Philosophy of Action: In Conversation with": <https://www.philosophyofaction.com/42-elisa-freschi-vienna>
- Interview with Richard Marshall within the Series "The End of Times" on *3:AM Magazine*: <https://316am.site123.me/articles/the-prābhākara-mīmāṃsā-school?c=end-times-archive>
- Interview with Malcolm Keating within the Podcast "Sutras and stuff": <https://anchor.fm/malcolm-keating/episodes/Episode-3-Reclining-ec024v>, 27.3.2020
- Interview with Josh Landy and Ray Briggs within the series "Philosophy Talk": <https://www.philosophytalk.org/shows/nonduality-and-oneness-being>, 6.6.2021

D. List of Courses

13.i. Undergraduate Courses Taught

- *Deontic concepts in Sanskrit philosophy: Medhātithi on rights*, Summer 2025 (research opportunity program, yearly course, Summer 2025, Fall-Winter 2025–2026) (newly designed course)
- *Issues in Philosophy of Religion: Omnipresence, Ritual and Afterlife*, Winter 2024, Winter 2025 (300 Seminar, BA) (newly designed course, improved in 2025)
- *Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy*, Fall 2023, Fall 2024 (200, BA) (newly designed course, improved in 2024)
- *Seminar in South Asian Philosophy: Sanskrit Epistemology on Other Minds*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Winter 2023, Fall 2023, Winter 2025, Winter 2026 (400 Seminar, BA) (designed in January 2023, improved in September 2023, improved in 2025 and in 2026)
- *What ever happened to God's Word (logos)? — On the ideal of an originally perfect language*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Winter 2023 (Individual Studies class, BA) (newly designed course)
- *Introduction to Philosophy of Religion*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Winter 2022, Winter 2023, Winter 2026 (200, BA) (designed in 2020, improved several times)
- *Mīmāṃsā Philosophy of Language, Epistemology and Deontics*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Winter 2022 (400 Seminar, BA) (newly designed course)
- *Introduction to South Asian Philosophy*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2026 (200, BA) (designed in 2020, improved in 2026)
- *The theological problem of hell*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2021 (Individual Studies class, BA) (newly designed course)
- *Introduction to South Asian Philosophy, South Asian Philosophy of Religion, Arguments for the existence of God*, Vrije University of Amsterdam, SS 2020 (Erasmus teaching, 4 hours for each meeting)
- *Einführung in die Indologie*, University of Vienna, WS 2019 (STEOP Vorlesung, BA)
- *Die Bedeutung von Emotionen in Venkatanathas Kommentar zur Bhagavadgita und seinen Hymnen*, SS 2019 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Verzweiflung, Zuversicht, Freude und Ehrfurcht: Emotionen im Kontext visunitischer Religiosität*, SS 2019 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Einführung in die Indologie*, University of Vienna, WS 2018 (STEOP Vorlesung, BA)
- *Philosophy and Theology in South India*, University of Budapest ELTE, SS 2018 (Seminar, BA)
- *Wie lange muss man opfern? Philologische Aspekte der lebenslangen Rituale laut der Mīmāṃsā*, University of Vienna, SS 2018 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Wie lange muss man opfern? Religiöse Aspekte der lebenslangen Rituale laut der Mīmāṃsā*, University of Vienna, SS 2018 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Kolloquium zu den Philosophien und Religionen Südasiens für fortgeschrittene Studierende*, University of Vienna, WS 2017 (Kolloquium, MA)
- *Einführung in die Indologie*, University of Vienna, WS 2017 (STEOP Vorlesung, BA)

- *Religiöse Hingabe in Südasien: Religiöse und kulturelle Aspekte im Kontext*, University of Vienna, SS 2017 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Religiöse Hingabe in Südasien: Philologische Aspekte im Kontext*, University of Vienna, SS 2017 (Bachelorseminar, BA)
- *Indische Gottesvorstellungen*, University of Vienna, WS 2016 (Vorlesung, MA)
- *Wort und Bedeutung: Eine Einführung in indische Vorstellungen über die Sprache*, University of Vienna, WS 2015 (Vorlesung, MA)
- *Sprachliche Mitteilung in der indischen Epistemologie: Kumārila's Śloka-vārtika*, University of Vienna, SS 2015 (Übung, MA)
- *Ist das Wort ewig? Eine zentrale sprachphilosophische Debatte in der indischen Geistesgeschichte*, University of Vienna, SS 2014 (Übung, MA)
- *Karman in Indian thought*, Indology, "Sapienza" University of Rome, Spring 2010 (in Italian)
- *Nature in Indian philosophy*, Indology, University of Milan, Fall 2008 (in Italian)
- *Linguistic Communication in Indian Philosophy*, Religions and Philosophies of India, "Sapienza" University of Rome, Spring 2007 (for MA students) (in Italian)
- *Sanskrit readings*, "Sapienza" University of Rome, Spring 2004 (Bhagavadgītā and Śrīdhara's commentary thereon); 2004–2005 (Utpaladeva's Vivṛti), 2008–2009 (Utpaladeva's Vivṛti); 2009–2010 (Nyāyamañjarī 5), Spring 2010 (Veṅkaṭanātha ad PMS on yogipratyakṣa)
- *Sanskrit* (first to fourth semester), "Sapienza" University of Rome, October 2002–October 2004

13.ii. Graduate Courses Taught

- *Kumārila's contribution to Sanskrit Philosophy*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2025 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)
- *Surrender in Sanskrit Philosophy*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Independent Study Course (but with three students attending), Fall 2025 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)
- *Omniscience and yogic perception in Maṇḍana's Vidhiviveka and Vācaspati's Nyāyakanikā*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Independent Study Course (but with four students attending), Winter 2025 (graduate seminar co-taught with Nilanjan Das) (newly designed course)
- *Veṅkaṭanātha on God*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2024 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)
- *Sanskrit Philosophy of Ritual*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Summer 2024 (Individual Studies class, MA) (newly designed course)
- *Commands and duties in Sanskrit Philosophy*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Winter 2024 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)
- *Commands and motivation in the philosophy of Maṇḍana*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2021 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)
- *Arguing about commands*, University of Toronto, Department of Philosophy, Fall 2020 (graduate seminar) (newly designed course)

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Theses supervised

- 2025–: Munema Moiz, *Utpaladeva's cosmopsychism* (provisional title) (principal supervisor)
- 2023–: Nicolas Sarian, *Towards an Economic Theology of Luxury: Sacrifice and Expenditure at the Margins of the Economy* (provisional title) (committee member)
- 2022–: Vivek Shah, *Between Void and Plenum: The Metaphysics of Space in Vedāntic Thought* (co-supervisor with Ajay Rao)
- 2021–2025: Winton Scott (Princeton), *The Making of Ritual in the 19th century Social Sciences* (committee member)
- 2020–2026: Anusha Sudindra Rao, *The Other Dvaita: Vādirāja and the Place of the Literary in Vedānta* (committee member)
- 2020–2022: Jonathan Peterson, *Polemics and power in early modern South Asia, 1550–1700* (committee member), now Assistant Professor at Columbia University
- 2020–2022: Jack Beaulieu, *Absence in Nyāya and Mīmāṃsā* (committee member), now Junior Research Fellow at Oxford University, Magdalen College
- 2019–2023: Sudipta Munsī (University of Cagliari), *Philosophy of language in Bhaṭṭa Jayanta* (first supervisor), now researcher at the University of Vienna
- 2014–2018: Shishir Saxena (University of Cambridge), *Linguistic and Phenomenological Theories of Verbal Cognition in Mīmāṃsā: A Study of the Arguments in Śālikanātha's Vākyārthamātrkā I and the Response in Sucarita's Kāśikāṭikā* (committee member), now Assistant Professor at Ahmedabad University

International Visiting Graduate Students

- Alina Shynkarova (Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv), working on Aesthetics in the Pratyabhijñā school of Sanskrit philosophy, visiting graduate student in the academic years 2022–2025.
- Zihao Wu (Fudan), visiting graduate student from September 2024 to the end of February 2025.
- Winton Scott (Princeton), visiting graduate student in 2022.

13.iv. Other teaching in 2025–2026

- *The role of commentaries in Sanskrit philosophy*, guest teaching within Robert Gibbs' graduate seminar "Philosophy of Religion Gateway Seminar" (RLG1002H)
- *Charitable reading as a methodological tool for understanding Sanskrit philosophy*, guest teaching within Srilata Raman's graduate seminar "Theories and Method" (RLG)
- *The sources of knowledge in Sanskrit Philosophy*, guest teaching within Arti Dhand's class "Hindu Philosophy" (RLG366H)
- *Pedagogy*, guest teaching within the MA professional development seminar
- *The job market outside North America*, guest teaching within the PhD professional development seminar

E. Administrative Positions

14.i. Positions held and service on committees and organisations outside the University of scholarly and academic significance in 2024–2025

- Coordination of the Research Interest Group “Global Philosophy”: Maintenance of an active twitter (later moved to bluesky) handle and a mailing list, organisation of six talks per year.
- Organisation of the CBC 2024 conference on the translation of philosophical texts, Rome, 20–21 December 2024.
- Organisation of a workshop for graduate students, “Vedānta theology workshop”, UofT, December 5–6 2024.
- Co-organisation (with Nilanjan Das) of a workshop on Maṇḍana’s *Discernment about Commands* and the commentaries thereon in May 2025.
- Co-organisation (with Nilanjan Das) of the second Kumārila conference in May 2025.
- Founder and author of several philosophical blogs, aiming at reaching out to a broader public: elisafreschi.com; indianphilosophyblog.org; philosopherscocoon.typepad.com.
- Peer reviewer for journals on Philosophy (*Journal of the History of Philosophy* (2024), *Nuovo Giornale di Filosofia della Religione* (2025), *Philosophy East and West*, (2024, 2025), *TheoLogica: An International Journal for Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology* (2024), *Synthese* (2022, 2025), *Journal of Indian Philosophy* (2024, 2025), *Samśkr̥tacin̥tanam*, *Argument: Biannual Philosophical Journal*, *Journal of World Philosophies* (last time in 2024), *Sophia* (last time in 2022), *Archivio di Filosofia*); on Sanskrit cultural history (*Asiatische Studien* (2022), *Journal of the American Oriental Society* (2020), *Journal of Dharma Studies* (2024), *Journal of Hindu Studies* (2022, 2024, 2025), *Kervan* (2025), *Religions of South Asia* (2020), *Religious Studies* (2025)); and on other topics (*Journal for the History of Science, Technology and Medicine* (2022), *Open Linguistics*, *Oxford Bibliographies Review* (2025), *Religion Compass*, *The Medieval Globe* (2022)).
- Peer reviewer for books: Bloomsbury (2025), Oxford University Press (2018–2019; 2024).