

Curriculum vitae

Péter Hartl

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Education

2013-2019: PhD in philosophy
University of Aberdeen

Thesis: *The taming of religion – Hume's sceptical theism and his criticism of vulgar religion in context*

Supervisors: Dr Luca Moretti, Dr Federico Luzzi

2012-2013: philosophy (MLitt)
University of St Andrews (jointed programme with University of Stirling)

Thesis: *Counterfactual modal knowledge and thought experiments*

Supervisor: Dr Jessica Brown

2008-2011: PhD student (History and Philosophy of science)
Budapest University of Technology and Economics

Supervisor, tutor: dr Gábor Zemplén and dr Tihamér Margitay

(decided to complete a terminal degree at St Andrews)

2001-2006: philosophy, MA equivalent degree
Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

Thesis: *Ego cogito, ergo sum*

Areas of Specialization

Epistemology, Early Modern Philosophy (David Hume, early modern epistemology of religion), Michael Polanyi

Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Science, Normativity

Present position

2020 September – 2023 August: **Principal Investigator and Research Fellow**; Young Researchers' Excellence Programme OTKA (National Research, Development and Innovation Office, Hungary); project title: Hume on true religion

2020 January – **Research Fellow**, Research Centre for the Humanities, Budapest, Institute of Philosophy

2018 – **Junior Research Fellow**, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Budapest), Institute of Philosophy

Grants and Fellowships

2020-2023: Young Researchers' Excellence Programme OTKA (National Research, Development and Innovation Office, Hungary): Project title: Hume on true religion; Position: principal investigator; 3-years research grant (97 000 USD dollars)

2020 – Research Centre for the Humanities: Grant to support the publication of the volume 'Science, Freedom, Democracy' for *Routledge* (300 US dollars for proofreading and editing; as co-editor)

2019 – Hungarian Academy of Sciences: International Conference Funding (2200 US dollars for accommodation, travel costs and conference dinner): "Science, Freedom, Democracy" conference (as chief organizer)

2018 – Hungarian Academy of Sciences – Institute of Philosophy - Lendület Morals and Science Research Group, member (Junior Research Fellow / Research Fellow)

2013-2016: Interdisciplinary Studies in Epistemology, PhD scholarship (University of Aberdeen)

2008-2011: Graduate Teaching Assistantship (Budapest University of Technology and Economics)

Publications

- Book

"Hume's minimal theism and the philosophical criticism of Christianity: The taming of religion", (monograph for *Palgrave Macmillan*, under contract)

- Publications in journals

"Hume and the art of theological lying", *Journal of Scottish Philosophy*, (2020), vo. 18, no. 2, 193-211.

Available online: <https://www.eupublishing.com/doi/full/10.3366/jsp.2020.0267>

"Modal scepticism, Yablo-style conceivability and analogical reasoning", *Synthese* (2016) 193 (1), 269-291.

"Michael Polanyi on freedom of science." *Synthesis Philosophica* (2012) Vol. 27/2, 307-321.

"Knowing our own concepts: the role of intuitions in philosophy." *Organon F* 18 (2011): 488-498.

- Publications in edited volumes

"The ethos of science and central planning: Merton and Michael Polanyi on the autonomy of science", In *Science, Freedom, Democracy* (edited by Péter Hartl and Ádám Tamás Tuboly), *Routledge* (forthcoming, 2021)

"Introduction: Science, Freedom, Democracy" (with Ádám Tamás Tuboly), In *Science, Freedom,*

Democracy, *Routledge* (forthcoming, 2021)

- Book reviews

“Review on *Epistemic Consequentialism* (ed. Jeffrey Dunn, Kristoffer Ahlstrom-Vij, OUP, 2019)”, *Philosophia*,
Available online: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11406-019-00127-y>

“Review: Knowing and Being: Perspectives on the Philosophy of Michael Polanyi.” *POLANYIANA*. 19 (2010): 109-114.

- Other publications

“Introduction: The Value of Truth Special Issue” (with Luca Moretti and Ákos Gyarmathy), *Synthese*, forthcoming.

“Introduction: Meta-theories of Disagreement Special Issue” (with Ákos Gyarmathy), *Metaphilosophy*, forthcoming.

- Papers in Hungarian

“The role of the history of science in Kuhn's philosophy” (The title in Hungarian: “A tudománytörténet szerepe Kuhn filozófiájában”), *Kellék* 47 (2012), 33-51.

“Ego cogito, ergo sum”, *Kellék* 32 (2007), 17-37.

Editing

- Edited books

“Science, Freedom, Democracy”, *Routledge* (edited volume, co-edited with Ádám Tamás Tuboly, *under contract, forthcoming*)
(Expected contributors include: Heather Douglas, Steve Fuller, Hugh Lacey, Janet Kourany, Hans Radder)

- Edited special issues for journals:

Special Issue for *Synthese* on “The value of truth”, (*forthcoming*), co-edited with Moretti, Luca, and Ákos Gyarmathy
(Contributors include: Miriam McCormick, Kate Nolfi, Tomasso Piazza, Duncan Pritchard)
Online:
https://link.springer.com/journal/11229/topicalCollection/AC_049e50fd8a636791afacd79b84785b07

Special Issue for *Metaphilosophy* on “Meta-Theorizes of Disagreement”, (*forthcoming*), co-edited with Ákos Gyarmathy
(Expected contributors include: Annalisa Coliva, Teresa Marques, Sebastiano Moruzzi, Nikolaj Pedersen, Crispin Wright)

- Translation and editing (in Hungarian)

“Michael Polanyi: The Logic of Liberty,” (“Polányi Mihály: A szabadság logikája”, in Hungarian, co-translator and co-editor), *Polanyiana*, 2015/1-2 (24), pp. 37-114; 2016/1-2(25), pp. 40-185.

Available online: https://polanyiana.org/articles/polanyiana-2015-1-2-25_polnyi-mihly-a-szabadsz-logikja-i-rsz.pdf

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Projects in progress

“Polanyi on scepticism and liberalism” (chapter of a volume of selected papers of ‘Science, Faith, and Society - International conference on Michael Polanyi’, book proposal in preparation for *Oxford University Press* or *Palgrave Macmillan*)

“Science, Faith, and Society” (volume of selected papers, co-edited with Gábor Bíró, book proposal in preparation for *Palgrave Macmillan*)

Workshop and conference organization

The Value of Truth (international conference) - 22-23 November 2018, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy, Budapest. Invited speakers include: Andrew D. Chignell, Jeffrey Dunn, Clayton Littlejohn, Michael P. Lynch, Duncan Pritchard.

Science, Freedom, Democracy (international conference) - 8-9 July 2019, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy, Budapest. Invited speakers include: Mark Brown, Matthew Brown, Heather Douglas, Steve Fuller, Hugh Lacey, Phil Mullins, Hans Radder.

Meta-theories of Disagreement (international conference) - 17-18 October, 2019, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy. Invited speakers include: Annalisa Coliva, Martin Kusch, Nikolaj Pedersen, Chris Ranalli, Crispin Wright.

(in progress, with Gábor Bíró) ***Science, Faith, and Society: International conference on Michael Polanyi*** – 15-16 April, 2021, Research Centre for the Humanities, Institute of Philosophy, Budapest. Invited speakers include: Martin Beddeleem, Gábor Bíró, Agn s Festr , Christopher Goodman, Andrew Grosso, P ter Hartl, Phil Mullins, John Preston, Stephen Turner.

Selected talks

- Invited talks

Philosophical theism and scepticism: Cleanthes and Philo on the cosmological argument in Hume's Dialogues. Work in Progress Seminar. 25 November, 2015, University of Aberdeen.

Hume's irreligious scepticism. Postgraduate Philosophy Day, 5 November, 2015, University of Edinburgh.

Hume's "experiments": a social and historical theory of human nature. Work in Progress Seminar. 4 March, 2015, University of Aberdeen.

Testimony and science of human nature in Hume's philosophy. Work in Progress Seminar, 22 April 2014, University of Aberdeen.

Thought experiments and the "dialectics" of imagination. MLitt Graduate Seminar, May 2013, University of St Andrews.

- Contributed talks

Polanyi on scepticism and liberalism (forthcoming), Science, Faith, and Society: International conference of Michael Polanyi – 15-16 April, 2021, Research Centre for the Humanities, Institute of Philosophy, Budapest.

The meta-ethics of belief: epistemic expressivism and disagreement, Meta-theories of Disagreement (Research Centre for the Humanities, 17-18 October, 2019, Budapest)

The ethos of science and central planning: Merton and Michael Polanyi on the autonomy of science, Science, Freedom, Democracy Conference (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, 8-9 July, 2019, Budapest)

Hume, early modern atheism and the art of theological lying, British Society for the History of Philosophy Annual Conference (King's College London, April 24-26, 2019)

Truth and Morality in Rational Argumentation. The Value of Truth conference, Institute of Philosophy, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, 23-24 November, 2018.

Hume's criticism of vulgar religion and the rationality of theism. First Budapest Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy. Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, 14-16 October 2016.

Testimony, induction and Hume's Science of Human Nature. 3rd Oxford Brookes Hume Workshop: Hume and History. 18 October, 2014, Oxford, UK.

Yablo, modal scepticism and the "dialectics" of conceivability. Salzburg Conference for Young Analytical Philosophy, Salzburg, September 12-14, 2013.

The role of imaginary cases: some remarks on the sceptical challenge of intuitions. Graduate Conference, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, November, 2011.

Michael Polanyi's post-critical epistemology and the moral dimension of science. 20th Days of Frane Petric – Philosophical Trends in Southeast Europe. Cres, Croatia, September 18-21, 2011.

Why shouldn't we be afraid of scepticism about intuitions? Salzburg Conference for Young Analytical Philosophy, Salzburg, September 8-10, 2011.

Knowing our own concepts: The role of intuitions in philosophy. The Character of the Current Philosophy and its Methods, 8th Annual Conference of the Young Philosophy, Bratislava, March 2-3, 2011.

- in Hungarian

Was Hume an ironical atheist? - 24 April 2018, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy.

Hume on scepticism and the reasonableness of religion. 25 January 2016, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy.

What is the real problem with "philosophical intuitions"? Intuition, Argumentation and Ethics Conference. Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, September 19-20, 2013.

Hume on testimony. The Centuries of David Hume Conference. Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, September 29-30., 2011.

Intuitions in philosophy. Invited Talk. Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Department of Philosophy and History of Science, 2010.

Kuhn and relativism. Graduate Conference, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, 2009.

Ego cogito, ergo sum. Eötvös Collegium, Budapest, 2007.

Teaching experience

Epistemology (Spring 2011, graduate course, MA in Cognitive Science, with prof. Tihamér Margitay, seminar lectures) - Budapest University of Technology and Economics

- in Hungarian

Logic and techniques of argumentation (Spring 2011, undergraduate course, lectures) – Budapest University of Technology and Economics

Logic and techniques of argumentation (Fall 2010, undergraduate course, lectures) – Budapest University of Technology and Economics

Logic (Spring 2010, tutorials), Budapest University of Technology and Economics

Philosophy (Fall 2006) - Fazekas Mihály High School (Teacher Training Centre of Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest)

Professional Activities

2018 - : Member of British Society for the History of Philosophy

2012 – 2013: Member of St Andrews Philosophy Society

2011 - : Member of Hungarian Philosophical Society

Referee

2020: Peer reviewer for *Philosophical Studies*

2016: Verified peer reviewer for *Synthese*

2015: Verified peer reviewer for *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*

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Referees

Dr Luca Moretti

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