

Curriculum Vitae

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1 Personal Information

Areas of Specialisation Philosophy of Time; Metaphysics; Social Ontology

Areas of Competence Philosophy of Physics; Logic; Philosophy of Language

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2 Education

<p>Aug. 2017—May 2020</p>	<p>PhD Candidate in Philosophy, University of Geneva <i>Dissertation</i>: ‘All Things Must Pass: Ordinary Objects in a Relativistic World’ <i>Advisor</i>: Prof. Fabrice Correia <i>President of the Committee</i>: Prof. Christian Wüthrich</p>
<p>Aug. 2015—Jul. 2017</p>	<p>PhD Candidate in Philosophy, University of Neuchâtel¹</p>
<p>Sep. 2012—Jun. 2015</p>	<p>M.A. in Philosophy with Spec. in Contemp. Phil., University of Geneva <i>M.A. Thesis</i>: ‘The Fiction We Live In: On the Existence of Institutional Reality’ <i>Advisor</i>: Prof. Kevin Mulligan</p>
<p>Sep. 2009—Sep. 2012</p>	<p>B.A. in Philosophy and Ethnology, University of Geneva <i>N.B.</i> Ethnology course taken at the University of Neuchâtel.</p>

Continued Education

<p>Jul. 2017</p>	<p><i>XXth Summer School in Philosophy of Physics</i>, University of Urbino</p>
<p>Nov. 2015</p>	<p><i>Masterclass with Kit Fine</i>, University of Zürich</p>
<p>Sep. 2013—Mar. 2014</p>	<p><i>Mobility Exchange Stay at St John’s College</i>, University of Oxford</p>

3 Employment History

<p>Aug. 2017—May 2020</p>	<p>PhD Researcher in Philosophy, 70%, University of Geneva <i>Advisor</i>: Prof. Fabrice Correia <i>Project</i>: SNSF Consolidator (157792) ‘The Metaphysics of Time and its Occupants: Reconciling the Manifest Image and Contemporary Science’ metaphysicsoftime.wordpress.com</p>
<p>Aug. 2015—Jul. 2017</p>	<p>PhD Researcher in Philosophy, 70%, University of Neuchâtel</p>
<p>Sep. 2016—Jun. 2017</p>	<p>Collaborateur Scientifique, 30%, University of Neuchâtel</p>
<p>Sep. 2011—Jun. 2012</p>	<p>Assistant de Recherche et d’Enseignement, 15%, University of Geneva</p>

4 Publications

4.1 Contributions

Neeser B. & Tieffenbach E. (forthcoming). L’argent (entrée académique). (In French). In Kristanek M. (Ed.), *Encyclopédie Philosophique en Ligne*. URL = encyclo-philos.fr

¹ After two years in Neuchâtel, following my advisor’s nomination in Geneva, I changed my affiliation to Geneva.

Neeser B. & Tieffenbach E. (forthcoming). L'argent (entrée grand public). (In French). In Kristanek M. (Ed.), *Encyclopédie Philosophique en Ligne*. URL = encyclo-philos.fr

4.2 In Student Peer-Reviewed Journals²

van Loon M., Sarzano M., Bonard C. & Neeser B (2016). Les vices épistémiques de Sam: un homme de ressentiment, *suffisant*, bête et complaisant. (In French). *iPhilo* 9 (Special issue in honour of Kevin Mulligan): 6–20.

Bonard C. & Neeser B. (2011). Ebauche d'une théorie du cool. (In French). *iPhilo* 4: 18–24.

4.3 Contributions to Self-Edited Proceedings From Public Outreach Conferences³

Bonard C. & Neeser B. (2016). Perdre sa vie à la gagner: entre ur-loøse et schm-wïn. Une analyse conceptuelle, normative et généralogie de l'apparence et de la nature des perdants (In French). In Collective (Ed.), *Loøseloøque: Perdants et autres boloss, rejetés, Actes du Colloque du 8 Octobre 2016* (pp. 5–13). Lausanne: Kissling,

Bonard C. & Neeser B. (2014). L'art de ne rien faire: les normes du chill. (In French). In Collective (Ed.), *De la Skholè au Chill: repenser le temps libre, Actes du Colloque 3-4 Octobre 2013* (pp. 6–18). Lausanne: Fisher & Piguet.

Bonard C. & Neeser B. (2012). C'est quoi un hipster? Essai d'ontologie sociale. (In French). In Collective (Ed.), *C'est cool un livre? Coolloøque: Instances et propriétés d'être cool. Actes des interventions* (pp. 82–112). Lausanne: Fisher & Piguet.

Bonard C. & Neeser B. (2012). Ebauche d'une théorie du cool. (In French). In Collective (Ed.), *C'est cool un livre? Coolloøque: Instances et propriétés d'être cool. Actes des interventions* (pp. 5–16). Lausanne: Fisher & Piguet. [Reprint of Bonard & Neeser (2011).]

5 Talks

5.1 International Conferences

22-24 (?) Aug. 2018	Comment on Carlo Rossi's 'Singular Location, Multi-location, and Immanent Universals' (comment) <i>Society for the Metaphysics of Science, 4th Meeting</i> , University of Milan
23 Nov. 2017	Response to Natalja Deng's 'What Is Temporal Ontology' (response) <i>Metaphysics sans phrase. Ten Years of eidos</i> , University of Geneva
14 Nov. 2017	Stages in Spacetime (invited) <i>Centre for Philosophy of Time Colloquium</i> , University of Milan
14 Sep. 2017	Persistence and Explanation (contributed) <i>SOPhiA Conference for Young Analytic Philosophy 2017</i> , University of Salzburg
20 Aug. 2017	Objects, Persons, and Powers: The Deontic Theory of Money (contributed) <i>European Network on Social Ontology (ENSO) V</i> , University of Lund
28 May 2017	Persistence and Explanation (contributed) <i>CPA / ACP Annual Congress</i> , University of Toronto
7 Sep. 2016	Stages, Shapes, and Fundamentality (contributed) <i>XII Conference of the SIFA</i> , Pistoia, University of Florence
27 Apr. 2016	Through Worlds and Times Alike: A Counterpart-Theoretic Account of Persistence (invited) <i>Wise Club Philosophy Colloquium</i> , University of Aberdeen
16 Dec. 2015	Response to J. Adam Carter's 'Insight, Inspiration and Belief' (response) <i>Beliefs that Feel Good Workshop</i> , University of Basel

² Available at phileasunige.wordpress.com/iphilo/archives and unige.academia.edu/BenjaminNeeser/Papers.

³ See (10.2) below. Full texts of the proceedings are available at: independent.academia.edu/CoolloøqueAssociation.

5.2 Local Presentations

30 Nov. 2017	Stages in Spacetime <i>eidos Seminar</i> , University of Geneva
16 May. 2017	Intrinsic Shapes in a Relativistic Setting: Prospects for the Stage Theory <i>Colloque de recherche</i> , University of Neuchâtel
5 Apr. 2017	Persistence and Explanation <i>eidos Seminar</i> , University of Geneva
26 Oct. 2016	Objects, Persons, Powers <i>eidos Seminar</i> , University of Geneva
18 Oct. 2016	Stages, Shapes, and Fundamentality <i>Colloque de recherche</i> , University of Neuchâtel
12 Apr. 2016	Is There Something Rotten in the Realm of Knowledge? , with Marie van Loon & Melanie Sarzano <i>Colloque de recherche</i> , University of Neuchâtel
6 Oct. 2015	On the Existence of Institutional Objects <i>Colloque de recherche</i> , University of Neuchâtel

6 Teaching

13 Dec. 2017	An Introduction to Social Ontology, B.A. , University of Basel Special session of the ‘Metaphysics Pro-Seminar’; <i>Instructors</i> : Marie van Loon & Melanie Sarzano
Sep.–Dec. 2017	Introduction à la philosophie du langage (TP), B.A. , University of Geneva <i>Associated course instructor</i> : Fabrice Correia; <i>Co-taught with</i> : Constant Bonard
Feb.–Jun. 2017	Introduction à la logique des prédicats (TP), B.A. , University of Neuchâtel <i>Associated course instructor</i> : Fabrice Correia
Sep.–Dec. 2016	Introduction à la logique des propositions (TP), B.A. , University of Neuchâtel <i>Associated course instructor</i> : Fabrice Correia
Sep.–Dec. 2011	Introduction à la logique (TP), B.A. , University of Geneva <i>Associated course instructor</i> : Ghislain Guigon; <i>Co-taught with</i> : Florian Mouthon

7 Editorial Work

Oct. 2016—present	Member of <i>dialectica</i> ’s editorial committee onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1746-8361
Sep. 2015—present	Member of <i>l’Encyclopédie Philosophique en Ligne</i> ’s reviewing committee encyclo-philo.fr
Sep. 2012—Jun. 2015	Member of <i>iPhilo</i> ’s editorial committee (Geneva Philosophy Students Journal) <i>Chief-editor</i> : issues 5 and 6 phileasunige.wordpress.com/iphilo

Individual reviewing for *Journal of Institutional Economics*; *Argumenta*

8 Institutional Responsibilities

My institutional responsibilities include or have included: *Research*; *Teaching*; *Administrative duties*; *Public outreach*; *Student counselling*; *Organisation of conferences, workshops, and reading groups*; *Web creation and maintenance*.

9 Memberships in Scientific Societies

Sep. 2017—present	Member of the <i>Society for Philosophy of Time</i> , Bonn s-p-o-t.weebly.com
Sep. 2016—present	Member of the <i>Marie Skłodowska-Curie ETN Project: DIAPHORA</i> , Barcelona ub.edu/diaphora
Sep. 2015—present	Member of the <i>Swiss Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science</i> , Bern sslps.unibe.ch
Sep. 2015—present	Member of <i>eidos. the centre for metaphysics</i> , Geneva eidoscentre.org

10 Organisational Activities

10.1 Academic

30—31 May 2018	<i>Fundamentality in Physics and Metaphysics Workshop</i> , Geneva
12—14 Jun. 2017	<i>International Association for the Philosophy of Time's 4th Meeting</i> , Gargnano (Italy)
3—5 Feb. 2017	<i>1st eidos Graduate Winter School: Identity</i> , Neuchâtel
16 Sep. 2016	<i>Grounding the Quantum World Workshop</i> , Neuchâtel
19 Jun. 2016	<i>Spacetime and Fundamentality Workshop</i> , Neuchâtel
Sep. 2015—present	<i>Time Reading Group</i> , Neuchâtel / Geneva
Mar.—Jun. 2014	<i>Williamson's 'Knowledge and its Limits' Reading Group</i> , Geneva
Sep.—Dec. 2012	<i>Gödel's Incompleteness Theorems Reading Group</i> , Geneva

10.2 Public Outreach

8 Oct. 2016	<i>Loøseloq: Perdants et autres boloss, rejetés</i> , Workshop and Performances Espace Saint-Martin, Lausanne
3—4 Oct. 2013	<i>De la Skholè au Chill: repenser le temps libre</i> , Workshop and Exhibition Grange de Dorigny, Lausanne
16—17 Nov. 2011	<i>Colloq: Instances et propriétés d'être cool</i> , Workshop University of Lausanne

11 Prizes & Fellowships

Nov. 2015	Arditi Foundation Prize for best M.A. Thesis in Philosophy, Geneva
Nov. 2015	Dr. de Dukszta Prize for best M.A. results in Philosophy, Geneva
Sept. 2013—Mar. 2014	Mobility Fellowship at St John's College (Oxford), Universities of Oxford & Geneva

12 Personal Skills

Language French (native); English (proficiency, C2); German (intermediate, B2); Spanish (beginner, B1)

Computing MS Office; L^AT_EX; HTML and CSS