

# Mona Simion

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### Career

- 09/2017 - Lecturer in Philosophy, Cardiff University
- 03/2017-09/2017 Postdoctoral Researcher, ConceptLab, University of Oslo  
PI: Herman Cappelen.
- 12/2016-03/2017 Visiting Fellow, University of California Riverside and University of California Irvine.  
Sponsors: Peter Graham and Sven Bernecker
- 10/2013-12/2016 Doctoral Researcher, University of St Andrews and KU Leuven

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### Education

- 12/2016 PhD in Philosophy, University of St Andrews/KU Leuven  
Thesis: 'Assertion: The Context Sensitivity Dilemma'  
Supervisors: Jessica Brown, Patrick Greenough, Roger Vergauwen.  
External Examiner: Timothy Williamson  
*summa cum laude with the congratulations of the examination committee (98%)*
- 07/2013 MA in Philosophy, KU Leuven Institute of Philosophy  
Thesis: 'The Transitivity of Value Ordering'  
*summa cum laude (89,9%, first in class, best results in five generations)*
- 07/2012 BA in Philosophy, KU Leuven Institute of Philosophy  
Thesis: 'Decision Strategies Behind the Rawlsian Veil'  
*summa cum laude (85,99%, first in class)*

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### Awards and Grants

- December 2017 Conference Funding for 'Knowledge First: Themes from Tim Williamson' workshop.  
Awarded by: The Mind Association (GBP 2000) and Cardiff University (GBP 1700)

May 2017	Conference Funding for the 1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Social Epistemology Network Event</i> . Awarded by: CSMN, University of Oslo (EUR 15.000)
July 2016	<i>JuMo Early Career Mobility Funding</i> : 9 months research stay at UC Riverside and UC Irvine. Sponsors: Peter Graham and Sven Bernecker. Awarded by: KU Leuven (EUR 14.500)
September 2015	Conference Funding for 'Epistemic Norms' conference. Awarded by: FWO (Research Foundation Flanders) (EUR 3.000) and Van de Wielefonds (EUR 1.500).
April 2015	Graduate Student Subsidy <i>89th Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association</i> Awarded by: The Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association.
October 2014	Doctoral Research Allowance. Awarded by: KU Leuven (EUR 6.750).
October 2013	Doctoral Research Scholarship. Awarded by: KU Leuven (EUR 105.000).

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## Research

AoS	Epistemology, Ethics, Philosophy of Language
AoC	Social and Political Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind, Media and Communication Theory
Published/Accepted for Publication	<p>Forthcoming. A Puzzle for Epistemic WAMs. <i>Synthese</i>.</p> <p>Forthcoming. The Explanation Proffering Norm of Moral Assertion. <i>Ethical Theory and Moral Practice</i>.</p> <p>Forthcoming. No Epistemic Norm for Action. <i>American Philosophical Quarterly</i>.</p> <p>Forthcoming. How to Be an Anti-Reductionist (with C. Kelp). <i>Synthese</i>.</p> <p>Invited. The Constitutive Norm View of Assertion (with C. Kelp). In Goldberg, S. (ed), <i>Oxford Handbook of Assertion</i>. Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Invited. Epistemic Virtues and Virtues with Epistemic Content (with C. Boulton, C. Kelp and J. Schnurr). In Greco, J. and Kelp, C. (eds.), <i>Virtue Theoretic Epistemology: New Methods and Approaches</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>2017. Criticism and Blame in Action and Assertion (with C. Kelp). <i>Journal of Philosophy</i>, 114(2): 76-93.</p> <p>2017. The 'Should' in Conceptual Engineering. <i>Inquiry</i>. Online First.</p> <p>2017. Commodious Knowledge (with C. Kelp). <i>Synthese</i>, vol 194/5: 1487-1502.</p> <p>2017. Epistemic Norms and He Said/She Said Reporting. <i>Episteme</i>, 14 (4): 413-422.</p> <p>2017. Hoops and Barns: a New Dilemma for Sosa (with C. Boulton, F. Broncano-Berrocal, P. Dimmock, H. Ghijsen and C. Kelp). <i>Synthese</i>. Online First.</p> <p>2016. Assertion: Knowledge is Enough. <i>Synthese</i>, 193(10), 3041-3056.</p> <p>2016. Knowledge, Rational Credibility, and Assertion: The Scoreboard. <i>Epistemic Reasons, Epistemic Norms and Epistemic Goals</i>, ed. M. Grajner and P. Schmechtig. DeGruyter</p>

Berlin/Boston.

2016. Norms of Belief (with C. Kelp and H. Ghijsen). *Philosophical Issues*, vol. 26/1: 375-392.

2016. Assertion: Just One Way to Take It Back. *Logos & Episteme*, vol. 7/3: 385-391.

2016. The Tertiary Value Problem and the Superiority of Knowledge (with C. Kelp). *American Philosophical Quarterly*, vol. 53/4: 397-411.

2016. Perception, History and Benefit. *Episteme*, 13 (1), 61-76.

2016. Non-Probabilistic Decision Strategies Behind the Veil. *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 50(3), 557-572.

Miscellaneous

2015. Epistemic Norms, 9-11 November. *The Reasoner* 10 (1): 103.

Under Review

*Assertion: A Function First Account* (Book Manuscript, with C. Kelp, Oxford University Press)

Epistemic Norm Correspondence and the Belief – Assertion Parallel (*Analysis*, Revise and Resubmit)

Assertion: The Context Sensitivity Dilemma (*Mind and Language*, Revise & Resubmit)

The C-Account of Assertion: A Negative Result (with C. Kelp) (*Synthese*, Revise & Resubmit)

Assertion Compatibilism

Seeing and Believing: The Norm Commonality Assumption

Conceptual Engineering for Epistemic Norms

Knowledge First Functionalism

Testimonial Contractarianism

In Progress

*Defeat*. Volume co-edited with Jessica Brown.

*Assertion: Foundational Issues*. Volume co-edited with Herman Cappelen.

*Revisionary Epistemology*. Volume co-edited with Christoph Kelp and Clayton Littlejohn.

Invited. Epistemic Basing, Gender and Hermeneutical Injustice (with C. Kelp). In *Well Founded Belief: New Essays on the Epistemic Basing Relation*, Bondy, P. and Carter, A. (eds.). Routledge.

Commissioned. Entry on 'Trust' (with J Adam Carter). *Internet Encyclopaedia of Philosophy*.

Invited. Instinctive Beliefs and Impermissible Epistemic Angst (with Johanna Schnurr).

*Synthese*, special issue on Duncan Pritchard's *Epistemic Angst*, ed. J.A. Carter.

Invited. Gender and Group Disagreement (with C. Kelp). *Erkenntnis*, special issue on group disagreement, eds. F. Broncano-Berrocal and J.A. Carter.

*Assertion in Context* (Book Manuscript)

*Epistemic Norms* (Book Manuscript)

Speaking and Harming: Epistemic Injustice in Speech Acts (with Daniela Rusu)

Blame as Performance

Reasons as Indicators of Norm Compliance

The Epistemic Improvement Account of Disagreement (with Fernando Broncano-Berrocal)

Learning to See: How to (and How Not to) Deal with Strange and Fleeting Processes

The 'No Moral Enhancement' View (with J. Adam Carter)

Conceptual Engineering, Function First (with C. Kelp)

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## Talks

- September 2018 Blame as Performance. *Meeting of the European Normativity Network*, Cardiff University, UK.
- August 2018 Social Hinges. *Social Epistemology, Social Knowledge, and Social Norms* session at the *XXIV World Congress of Philosophy*, Beijing, China.
- May 2018 Williamson on Norms of Belief. *Knowledge First: Themes from Tim Williamson*, Cardiff University, UK.
- May 2018 Reply to Sliwa. *1st Social Epistemology Network Event*, Oslo, Norway.
- March 2018 Testimonial Contractarianism. *Epistemology Seminar Series*, University of Edinburgh, UK.
- February 2018 Conceptual Engineering as Mutation Engineering. *ConceptLab Workshop*, Zermatt, Switzerland.
- December 2017 Testimonial Contractarianism. *Cardiff University Philosophy Seminars*, Cardiff University, UK.
- December 2017 Knowledge First: Normative Credentials. University of St Andrews, UK.
- December 2017 Testimonial Contractarianism. University of Glasgow, UK.
- October 2017 Epistemic Norms: Action and Practical Reasoning. *Meeting of the European Normativity Network*, University of Stockholm, Sweden.
- October 2017 Knowledge First: Normative Credentials. *New Trends in Epistemology Workshop*, University of Hamburg, Germany.
- September 2017 Assertion: The Constitutive Norms View. *Assertion: Foundational Issues Workshop*, University of Oslo, Norway.
- September 2017 Blame as Performance. *Responding to Wrongdoing: Resentment, Blame, Forgiveness, Punishment Workshop*, University of Oslo, Norway.
- August 2017 Testimonial Contractarianism. *Social Epistemology Summer School*, Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain.
- July 2017 The Explanation Proffering Norm of Moral Assertion. *British Society for Ethical Theory conference 2017*, University of Bristol, UK.
- July 2017 The Normative Myth of the Belief/Assertion Parallel. *The Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association 2017*, Edinburgh, UK
- June 2017 Testimonial Contractarianism (Keynote Talk). *New Trends in Epistemology Graduate Conference*, University of Pavia, Italy.
- June 2017 Testimonial Contractarianism. *Bled Philosophical Conferences 2017*, Bled, Slovenia.
- Epistemic Virtues and Virtues with Epistemic Content. *Bled Philosophical Conferences 2017*, Bled, Slovenia.
- May 2017 Disagreement and Epistemic Improvement (with Fernando Broncano-Berrocal). *Higher*

- Seminar in Theoretical Philosophy*, Lund University, Sweden.
- April 2017 Disagreement and Epistemic Improvement (with Fernando Broncano-Berrocal). *Seminar of the Research Unit for Epistemology, Metaphysics, and Philosophy of Cognition*, Aarhus University, Denmark.
- April 2017 Epistemic and Practical Matters (with C. Kelp). The 2<sup>nd</sup> Leuven-Southampton Epistemic Normativity Workshop, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- February 2017 Disagreement Needn't Be Metalinguistic Negotiation. Conceptual Engineering Workshop, Zermatt, Switzerland.
- November 2016 Assertion, Context and the KK Strategy. 3<sup>rd</sup> PLM Masterclass with Timothy Williamson, Institute of Philosophy, University of London, UK.
- November 2016 Learning to See. 3<sup>rd</sup> Cologne-Leuven Epistemology Workshop, University of Cologne, Germany.
- October 2016 Knowledge First Functionalism. SIUCC XXV (*Seminario Interuniversitario de Ciencia Cognitiva*). Workshop with Timothy Williamson. University of Valencia, Spain.
- July 2016 Knowledge First Functionalism. *European Epistemology Network Meeting*, Paris, France.
- May 2016 Epistemic Norms: A Function First Account. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cologne-Leuven Epistemology Workshop, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- May 2016 Disagreement and Epistemic Improvement. *Complex Disagreement Workshop*, University of St Andrews, UK.
- May 2016 Knowledge First Functionalism. *Attitudes and Agency: Epistemology* Workshop, University of Southampton, UK.
- March 2016 Knowledge First Functionalism. *The 5<sup>th</sup> Belux Colloquium in Epistemology*, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- January 2016 How to Be an Anti-Reductionist. *Epistemic Dependence* Workshop, Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain.
- November 2015 Assertion, Contextualism and Epistemic Goals. *The Leuven Epistemic Norms Conference*, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- September 2015 Greco on Testimony. *Virtue Epistemology Pre-Conference Workshop*, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- July 2015 No Epistemic Norm for Action. The Postgraduate Sessions of *The Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association 2015*, Warwick, UK.
- June 2015 Epistemic Norms and Norms with Epistemic Content. *Bled Philosophical Conferences*, Slovenia.
- April 2015 Epistemic Norms: The Commonality Assumption. *The 4<sup>th</sup> Belux Colloquium in Epistemology*, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg.
- February 2015 Assertion, Knowledge and Rational Credibility: The Scoreboard. *The 3<sup>rd</sup> Belux Colloquium in Epistemology*. KU Leuven, Belgium.
- January 2015 Function Talk in Epistemology. *Leuven – Bristol Philosophy Workshop*, Bristol University, UK.
- November 2014 Assertion, Contextualism and Epistemic Goals. *Graz Young Epistemology and Philosophy of Logic Workshop*, University of Graz, Austria.
- September 2014 Perceptual and Testimonial Justification. *The Epistemology of Perception Pre-Conference Workshop*, KU Leuven, Belgium.
- July 2014 The Tertiary Value Problem?. *European Epistemology Network Meeting*, Madrid, Spain.

June 2014	Assertion: A Normative Framework. <i>Yonsei Philosophy Conference</i> , Seoul, South Korea.
June 2014	The Tertiary Value Problem and the Superiority of Knowledge (with Christoph Kelp). Lignan University, Hong Kong.
April 2014	Good Asserters. <i>The First Belux Colloquium in Epistemology: Knowledge and Language</i> . KU Leuven, Belgium.

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## Networks

Steering Committee Member, Social Epistemology Network  
 Associate Researcher, ConceptLab, University of Oslo  
 Member, European Normativity Network (ENN)

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## Teaching

### Areas of competence

epistemology, ethics, philosophy of language, logic, political philosophy, feminist philosophy, philosophy of mind, philosophy of science, history of analytic philosophy, modern philosophy, ancient philosophy, continental philosophy.

### Teaching experience

Moral and Political Philosophy (1<sup>st</sup> year BA)  
 Epistemic Norms (3<sup>rd</sup> year BA)  
 Philosophy of Language (2<sup>nd</sup> year BA)  
 Great Works in Philosophy: Bertrand Russell, *The Problems of Philosophy* (1<sup>st</sup> year BA)  
 Theory of Knowledge – Advanced Course (MA)  
 Contemporary Debates in Epistemology Seminar (2<sup>nd</sup> year BA)  
 Theory of Knowledge: Introduction (1<sup>st</sup> year BA)  
 Ethics Seminar: Moral Responsibility (2<sup>nd</sup> year BA)  
 Contemporary Anglo-American Philosophy: Metaphysics and Mind – Seminar (2<sup>nd</sup> year BA)  
 Logic (1<sup>st</sup> year BA)  
 Philosophy of Language Advanced Course (MA)

### Supervision

PhD  
 2017 – 2022 Daniela Rusu (feminist epistemology, epistemic injustice, pornography)  
 2017 – 2022 Paul Hampson (concepts, concept possession, a priori knowledge)

- MA 2016-2017: Daniela Rusu (epistemic injustice, virtue epistemology)
- BA 2017-2018: Felipe Rodrigues (ethics of autonomy, philosophy of law)  
 2017-2018: Georgia Parry (feminism, existentialism, freedom, love, self-knowledge)  
 2017-2018: Mollie O’Keeffe (Kant, bioethics)

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## Professional Service

- Webmaster <http://www.socialepistemologynetwork.com>
- Referee Work Mind, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, American Philosophical Quarterly, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Synthese, Pacific Philosophical Quarterly, Erkenntnis, Dialectica, Episteme, Journal of Value Inquiry, Logique et Analyse, CEU Press.
- Organization
- September 2018 ‘1<sup>st</sup> Cardiff Normativity Graduate Conference.’ Cardiff University.
- September 2018 ‘6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Normativity Network’. Cardiff University
- May 2018 ‘1<sup>st</sup> Social Epistemology Network Conference’, University of Oslo (with Sandy Goldberg and Andrew Peet)
- May 2018 ‘Knowledge First: Themes from Tim Williamson’ Workshop, Cardiff University
- 2017-2018 ‘Cardiff University Philosophy Seminars’, Cardiff University (with Orestis Palermos)
- September 2017 ‘Assertion: Foundational Issues’, University of Oslo (with Herman Cappelen)
- May-June 2017 ‘ConceptLab Visiting Speaker Seminar Series’, University of Oslo (with Andrew Peet)
- April 2017 ‘2<sup>nd</sup> Leuven-Southampton Epistemic Normativity Workshop’, KU Leuven.
- December 2016 ‘Knowledge First’ Conference, KU Leuven (with C. Kelp).
- November 2015 ‘Epistemic Norms’ Conference, KU Leuven (with C. Kelp).
- March 2015 ‘Fifth Annual Graduate Student Conference’, Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven
- 2014-2015 ‘Leuven Epistemology Group’ Research Seminar Series
- December 2014 Faculty Conference ‘Truth’, Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven
- December 2014 ‘125 Years of KU Leuven Higher Institute of Philosophy’, KU Leuven
- Administration
- 2017-2018 Member, *Equality and Diversity Committee*, School of English, Communication and Philosophy, Cardiff University.
- 2017-2018 Member, *Recruitment and Marketing Committee*, School of English, Communication and Philosophy, Cardiff University.

- 2016 Co-founder (with L. Ferbinteanu): KU Leuven Mentorship Programme for Women in Philosophy, KU Leuven.
- 2013-2014 Member, Permanent Teaching Committee – Doctoral Programme, KU Leuven Institute of Philosophy.

Impact, Engagement,  
Knowledge  
Communication

- May 2018 Organiser (with Orestis Palermos, Jon Webber and Huw Williams): Cardiff Philosophy Festival: Ethics and Technology, Techniquet Museum, Cardiff.
- 2017 – Webmaster, <http://www.socialepistemologynetwork.com>
- 2015 KU Leuven Open Online courses in Philosophy, ‘The Value of Knowledge’ (with C. Kelp) (<https://hiw.kuleuven.be/eng/openonlinecourse/introduction-to-epistemology-1/unit-1-the-value-of-knowledge>)

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## Languages

Romanian	native
English	proficient
French	proficient
Spanish	intermediate
Italian	basic
German	basic
Dutch	basic

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## References

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