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## SPECIALIZATIONS COMPETENCIES

Metaphilosophy, Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Religion  
Jurisprudence and Political Philosophy, Non-Western Philosophy, Applied Ethics

## EDUCATION

**Central European University** 2025  
Ph.D. Phil: Doctor Philosophiae  
Dissertation: *Mind and Numen*  
**New York University** 2022-2023  
Visiting Research Scholar  
**Australian National University** 2020  
Visiting Research Scholar  
**The City University of New York Graduate Center** 2019  
MA Phil: Master of Philosophy  
**Australian National University** 2016  
LLB: Bachelor of Law  
**Australian National University** 2016  
BA Hons: Bachelor of Arts  
Double Major: Philosophy, History, Honours in Philosophy  
Honours dissertation: *Demanding More of Demandingness: Five Objections Against Excessive Moral Demands*  
**Central European University** 2024  
Certificate of Teaching in Higher Education

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS & EXPERIENCE

Full list available upon request.  
**FWF ESPRIT Senior Postdoctoral Research Fellow**  
VIENNA, AUSTRIA | SEP 2026 - SEP 2029  
Principal Investigator, *On Character Traits and Personality*  
Three-year research fellowship funded by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF)  
Central European University  
Mentor: Prof. Katalin Farkas  
**New York University Philosophy Lecturer**  
NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2019 - JUN 2020 | *PHIL-UA 4 Life and Death*  
**Central European University Philosophy Lecturer**  
VIENNA, AUSTRIA | AUG 2021 - AUG 2024 | *GST Belief, UGST4178 Modern Political Philosophy, UGST4009 Ethics, UGST4020 Critical Reasoning*  
**Baruch College Philosophy Lecturer**  
NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2019 - JUN 2020 | *PHIL 1100 Ethics and Critical Thinking*  
**Hunter College Philosophy Lecturer**  
NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2018 - JUN 2019 | *PHIL0100 Introduction to Philosophy*  
**Philosophy in Manhattan (Philosophy Salon) Philosophy Lecturer**  
NEW YORK, USA | JAN 2018 - Present  
**Fusion Academy Director of Education**  
NEW YORK, USA | JUN 2026 - SEP 2026  
**Fusion Academy Head of Department of History, Legal Studies, Economics, and Government**  
NEW YORK, USA | APR 2022 - JUN 2026  
**Interior Architects Contracts Administrator and Legal Consultant**  
NEW YORK, USA | MAR 2017 - AUG 2017  
**Blumers Lawyers Paralegal**  
CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA | FEB 2011 - DEC 2016  
**The Graduate Center CUNY Postgraduate Admissions Officer**  
NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2017 - AUG 2019  
[CaliforniaToday.com](https://www.californiatoday.com) Senior Research and Compliance Specialist  
NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2025 - Present  
**Brooklyn Historical Society Visitor Services Officer, Exhibition Space Manager**

NEW YORK, USA | AUG 2019 - JUN 2020  
**Spring Studios Model**  
 NEW YORK, USA | JAN 2017 - JAN 2018  
**The Nishi Art Collective Model**  
 CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA | JAN 2015 - DEC 2016

## SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- Ryan, Liam. D. (2026) 'The Hardest Iron is Oft Broken: Why Justice Requires Mercy', *Kriterion*, DOI: 10.1515/krt-2026-0001.
- Ryan, Liam. D. (2024) 'Going Mental: Why Physicalism Should Not Posit Inscrutable Properties', *Erkenntnis*, 89 (8), DOI:10.1007/s10670-024-00894-5.
- Ryan, Liam. D. (2024) 'Credo in unam Credentiam: Religious Beliefs are Standard Beliefs', *Synthese*, 204, (73) DOI:10.1007/s11229-024-04711-y.
- Alfredo Roque Freire and Ryan, Liam. D., (2023) 'Then I Shall Know Even As I Am Known: The Logical Structure of the Problem of Evil', *Revista Brasileira de Filosofia da Religião/The Brazilian Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 10, 1, DOI:10.26512/2358-82842023e52143.
- Ryan, Liam. D. (2023) 'Hip to Be Square: Moral Saints Revisited', *Ethics, Politics & Society*, 6,(1), DOI:10.21814/eps.6.1.5235.
- Ryan, Liam D. (2023) 'Shall I Compare Thee: Some Considerations for Comparative Philosophy', *New Work in Philosophy*, Available: <https://newworkinphilosophy.substack.com/p/liam-d-ryan-central-european-university>
- Ryan, Liam D. (2022) 'Let the Ruler be the Ruler: How Xunzi's Doctrine of the Rectification of Names Aims at Truth', *Asian Journal of Philosophy*, 2, (2), DOI:10.1007/s44204-022-00055-x.

## TEACHING

Adjunct Lecturer Central European University  
 Winter 2024, UGST4178 *Modern Political Philosophy*  
 Winter 2022, graduate level, *Belief*  
 Winter 2022, UGST4009 *Ethics*  
 Fall 2021, UGST4020 *Critical Reasoning*  
 Adjunct Lecturer New York University  
 Fall 2019, PHIL-UA 4 *Life and Death*  
 Adjunct Lecturer Baruch College  
 Spring 2020, PHIL 1100 *Ethics and Critical Thinking*  
 Fall 2019, PHIL 1100 *Ethics and Critical Thinking (1)*  
 Fall 2019, PHIL 1100 *Ethics and Critical Thinking (2)*  
 Fall 2019, PHIL 1100 *Ethics and Critical Thinking (3)*  
 Adjunct Lecturer Hunter College  
 Spring 2019, PHIL0100 *Introduction to Philosophy*  
 Fall 2018, PHIL0100 *Introduction to Philosophy*  
 Lecturer at Philosophy in Manhattan (Philosophy Salon)  
 January 2018 - present  
<https://www.meetup.com/Philosophy-Salon/>

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

Full list available upon request.  
2026  
 • 2026: *NYU Philosophy of Mind Reading Group* with Prof. David Chalmers and Prof. Ned Block, 'The Accretive View of Consciousness: Phenomenal Gradation in Ontogeny and Phylogeny'  
 • 2026: *NYU Department of Economics Colloquium on Market Institutions and Economic Processes*, 'The Accretive View of Consciousness: Phenomenal Gradation in Ontogeny and Phylogeny'  
 • 2026: *City University of New York The Graduate Center Language and Metaphysics Workshop*, 'The Accretive View of Consciousness: Phenomenal Gradation in Ontogeny and Phylogeny'  
 • 2026: *Saul Kripke Center at the CUNY Graduate Center, The Analytic Salon*, 'AI & the Mind: The Chinese Room and Mary the Color-Expert Neuroscientist Meet Modern LLMs'

- 2026: *John Hopkins Psychedelic Bioethics Group*, 'The Accretive View of Consciousness: Phenomenal Gradation in Ontogeny and Phylogeny'

#### 2025

- 2025: *Long Island Philosophical Society (LIPS) 2025 Conference*, 'Teotl & Cosmos'
- Interview at After Arts Group event [Salon | Chants](#): 'Philosophy and Chanting'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'AI Ethics'
- Guest lecture at *The University of Brasília*: 'Kurt Gödel in the Carnap Diaries and Carnap-Neurath Correspondence: a New Look at His Personality and Scholarship by Friedrich Stadler'

#### 2024

- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Developing a Philosophy of Life'
- 2024: *Long Island Philosophical Society (LIPS) 2024 Conference*, 'Possibility, Actually: The Possibility-to-Actuality Principle, and Accounting for Ineliminable Mentality'
- 2024: *Institute of Analytic Philosophy, Slovak Academy of Sciences*, 'Possibility, Actually: The Possibility-to-Actuality Principle, and Accounting for Ineliminable Mentality'
- Creator and organizer of the *Central European University Department of Philosophy 5 Minute Thesis*
- 1st *Central European University Department of Philosophy 5 Minute Thesis*
- 2nd *Central European University Department of Philosophy 5 Minute Thesis*

#### 2023

- 2023: *Marist College Consciousness as Fundamental* workshop.
- 2023: *City University of New York The Graduate Center First Conference of the Society for Philosophers of the Pandemic Generation Conference*, 'All God No Brakes: Non-Arbitrariness and Plenitude Defeats the Problem of Evil'
- 2023: *Central European University 14th In-House Conference*: 'Let the Ruler be the Ruler: How Xunzi's Doctrine of the Rectification of Names Aims at Truth'
- *New York University 26th annual meeting of the Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness*, 'Going Mental: Physicalism Cannot Account for Inscrutable Properties'
- *University of Galway (Ollscoil na Gaillimhe) & St. Angela's College Sligo (Coláiste San Aingeal, Sligeach) Conference 2023: Religious Experience and the Phenomenology of Nature*: 'Religious Beliefs are Standard Beliefs'
- *City University of New York The Graduate Center Philosophy and the Pandemic Generation Conference*, 'Shall I Compare Thee: Some Considerations for Comparative Philosophy'
- *University of Iowa: 2023 Graduate Philosophy Society Conference*, 'Religious Beliefs are Standard Beliefs'
- 2023 - Founder and One of Two Primary Organizers of *Philosophy and the Pandemic Generation Conference*
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Immigration'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Slurs'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Philosophy of War'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'What is Romantic Love?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Confucianism'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Utopia'

#### 2022

- *Barry University: Religion, Morality, Spirituality, and the Modern Person: East and West*, 'Religious Beliefs are Standard Beliefs'
- *Ural Federal University Unalyticon International Conference 2022*: Abstract Objects: 'Squaring a Platonic God: Platonic Dependence and Divine Subsumption'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Philosophy of Sex'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Are We Alone in the Universe?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Aztec Philosophy'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'I Think, Therefore I Am'

#### 2021

- *25th Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference*: 'Squaring a Platonic God: Platonic Dependence and Divine Subsumption'
- *Central European University 12th In-House Conference*: 'Squaring a Platonic God: Platonic Dependence and Divine Subsumption'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Aristotle and the Categories'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Ayn Rand and Objectivism'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Philosophy of Science'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'What Is Art?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Philosophy of Democracy and Epistocracy'

#### 2020

- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Abortion'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Should We Have Children?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Does our Psychology Determine our Politics?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Is Wealth Redistribution Justified?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Existentialism'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Kant and the Categorical Imperative'

- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Philosophy of Christianity'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Is the World a Better or Worse Place to Live in Now?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Wittgenstein'

#### 2019

- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Scepticism'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Martin Heidegger'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'The Ship of Theseus'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Kierkegaard: Sickness Unto Death and the Three Stages of Social Life.'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Free Will and Moral Responsibility'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Berkeley and Idealism'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Consciousness'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Does God Exist?'

#### 2018

- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Should We Assume the Accused Are Innocent Until Proven Guilty?'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'What Do the Rich Owe to The Poor'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'Moral Luck'
- Lecture at Philosophy in Manhattan: 'What Are Our Moral Obligations to Dead People?'
- 2018: *The Norwegian Summer Institute on Language and Mind* at the University of Oslo.

### HONOURS, AWARDS, AND CERTIFICATION

Full list available upon request.

- 2026-2029: ESPRIT Fellowship with the Austrian Science Fund (FWF). Project: *On Character Traits and Personality*
- 2024: Central European University Travel Grant Award
- 2022-2023: Visiting Research Scholar in Philosophy at New York University (supervisor: David Chalmers)
- 2023: Inter-Varsity Press and the Tyndale Fellowship Early-Career Philosopher of Religion 2023 2nd Prize: 'Is realism about abstract objects consistent with traditional Christian theism?'
- 2022-2023: Central European University Doctoral Research Grant Award
- 2022: Central European University Travel Grant Award
- 2022 Certificate: Marketing Analytics: Presenting Digital Marketing Data
- 2020-2024: Central European University Graduate Stipend
- 2021: Central European University Travel Grant Award
- 2021: Central European University Center for Foreign Languages German Certificates: Beginner, Elementary.
- 2020: Visiting Research Scholar in Philosophy at the Australian National University
- 2019: City University of New York Adjunct Faculty Travel Award
- 2017: Visiting Research Scholar in Ph.D. Program in Philosophy at The City University of New York
- 2017: Exchange Visitor J-1 work visa program to the United States sponsored by the America Australia Association.
- 2016: Australian National University Center for Continuing Education Korean Certificates: 1, 2, and 3

### REFERENCES

Available upon request.