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## Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Mind, Metaphysics

## Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Information, Epistemology, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Neuroscience

## Education

2015 -  
Present

PhD Philosophy, **Central European University**

Dissertation: “Reducing Uncertainty: Understanding the Relationship Between Consciousness and Information”

Supervisor: Tim Crane

Associate Supervisor: Philip Goff

2018

Honorary Fellow – **Wisconsin Institute for Sleep and Consciousness**, Autumn 2018

2013 –  
2014

MA with Merit Philosophy (Metaphysics, Language & Mind), **University of Liverpool**

Dissertation: “Integrated Information Theory and the Hard Problem of Consciousness: A New Approach to an Old Problem”

Supervisor: Barry Dainton

2010 –  
2013

BA Philosophy, **University of Arizona**

2008 –  
2010

AA General Education – **Pima Community College**

## Publications

2018

“Intervening on the Causal Exclusion Problem for Integrated Information Theory”

Co-written with Matthew Baxendale

Minds and Machines. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11023-018-9456-7>

2017

“The Problem with the ‘Information’ in Integrated Information Theory”

Journal of Consciousness Studies, 24 (7-8): 130-154

## Edited Books/Journal Issues

2019

Guest Editor - Special issue on Integrated Information Theory for Journal of Consciousness Studies (Scheduled early 2019)

## Grants and Awards

2018 Doctoral Research Support Grant – one-term visiting research grant  
2016 CEU summer school tuition waiver  
2015 – CEU full doctoral fellowship  
present

### Selected Talks

2018 “Very Deep Neural Networks – Epistemic Implications” – Artificial Intelligence Open Seminar  
Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Department of Telecommunications and  
Media Informatics.  
2016 “Causation & Integrated Information Theory: bridging the gap between metaphysics and  
science” – 5<sup>th</sup> WFAP Graduate Conference – University of Vienna (with Matthew Baxendale)  
2016 “Fixing the ‘Information’ in Integrated Information Theory”, SOPhiA 2016 – University of  
Salzburg  
2016 “Why Panpsychists Should be Paninformationalists: gesturing towards a new metaphysics of  
consciousness” – Matter, Mind, and Consciousness Summer School 2016 – CEU  
2012 “Chinese Highway: A Searlesque Objection to Connectionist AI”  
University of Arizona, Fifth Southwest Undergraduate Philosophy Conference

### Invited talks

2017 “The Hard Problem as an Interface Problem: On the Possibility of Machine Consciousness”  
Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Department of Telecommunications and  
Media Informatics.  
2016 “The Problem with the ‘Information’ in Integrated Information Theory”, University of Milan –  
Neurophilosophy Group, LunchTime Seminar Series

### Public Engagement

2018 TEDxCEU – Chasing the Purpose – Speaker  
*Machine Intelligence and the Future of Knowledge*

### Teaching Experience

2018 CEU Budapest – Teaching Assistant  
Consciousness and the Physical World (Philip Goff)  
Course Level: MA & PhD

### Organization

2016 - CEU Philosophy of Mind Reading Group  
2017 CEU-Rutgers MIND Workshop (co-organized with Hanoch Ben-Yami and Barry Loewer)  
2016 9<sup>th</sup> Annual In-house Graduate Conference CEU (co-organized with Marta Santuccio)

### Service

### **Editorial**

2016 – Associate editor – Pulse  
2017

**Referee**

Mind & Matter, Philosophical Papers, Pulse

**Professional Services**

2017 Member of expert panel for the re-accreditation of doctoral study programmes of Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences University of Zagreb

2017 Member of expert panel for the re-accreditation of doctoral study programmes of Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences University of Rijeka

Courses and Summer Schools

2016 Mind, Matter, and Consciousness Summer School (CEU – Organized by David Pitt)

References:

Tim Crane (supervisor)

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Philip Goff (associate supervisor)

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