

# **Curriculum Vitae**

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## A. General

### Present Appointment

Professor (W3) of theoretical philosophy, department of philosophy, Bielefeld University (Germany).

### Department Service

- Head of department, department of philosophy, Bielefeld University (since 2013).
- Chief financial officer, department of philosophy, Bielefeld University (since 2012).

### Previous Appointments

2009–2012	Professor (W3) of theoretical philosophy, department of philosophy, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (Germany).
2007/04 –2008/09	Deputy professor of philosophy of language, philosophy of mind, and ontology, department of philosophy, University of Hamburg (replacing Prof. Wolfgang Künne).
2007–2009	Senior lecturer ( <i>Akademischer Oberrat</i> ), department of philosophy, Bielefeld University.
2005–2006	Feodor-Lynen-Researcher, department of philosophy, Zurich University (CH).
2005–2006	Feodor-Lynen-Researcher, department of philosophy, University of Reading (UK). Lecturer (fixed-term, part-time), department of philosophy, University of Reading (UK).
2000–2008	Lecturer ( <i>wissenschaftlicher Assistent</i> ) department of philosophy, Bielefeld University.
1995–2000	Junior lecturer ( <i>wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter</i> ) department of philosophy, Bielefeld University.

### Academic Education

2007	Habilitation in philosophy, Bielefeld University. thesis: "A New Rationalism? Intuitions, Modal Knowledge and the Analysis of Concepts". lecture: "Hume über Induktion und <i>uniformity of nature</i> " Examiners: Prof. Ansgar Beckermann, Prof. Hans-Johann Glock, Prof. Ute Frevert ( <i>rigorosum</i> history), Prof. Hannes Rieser ( <i>rigorosum</i> linguistics)
2000	PhD in philosophy, Bielefeld University thesis: „Wörter – Dinge – Stellvertreter. Quine, Davidson und Putnam zur Unbestimmtheit der Referenz“. Examiners: Prof. Ansgar Beckermann, Prof. Hans-Johann Glock, Prof. Ute Frevert ( <i>rigorosum</i> history), Prof. Hannes Rieser ( <i>rigorosum</i> linguistics) grade: summa cum laude
1995	M.A. in philosophy, history and media science, University of Göttingen. grade: with distinction ( <i>Magister Artium mit Auszeichnung</i> )
1992–1993	Visiting student at Balliol College, Oxford. Work with Stephen Everson, Christopher Peacocke and Timothy Williamson.
1988–1995	Enrolled at the University of Göttingen, subjects: philosophy, history, and media science. Work esp. with Prof. Günther Patzig, Prof. Wolfgang Carl and Prof. Lorenz Krüger.

## Awards and Scholarships

- 2006–2007 Extension of the Feodor Lynen Research Scholarship for a second year.
- 2005–2006 Feodor Lynen Research Scholarship of the Alexander von Humboldt–Stiftung, awarded for the project „A New Rationalism? Intuitions, Modal Knowledge and the Analysis of Concepts“.
- 2005, 2004, 2002 Nominated for the „Karl Peter Grottemeyer–Preis“ of Bielefeld University, awarded for excellence in academic teaching.
- 2002 Wolfgang-Stegmüller-Prize for the dissertation, awarded by the German Society of Analytic Philosophie (GAP).
- 2000 Prize for the best dissertation in philosophy at Bielefeld University, awarded by the *Westfälisch-Lippische Universitätsgesellschaft*.
- 1995 Ph.D. scholarship awarded by the German National Scholarship Foundation (*Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes*). Declined because of the departmental appointment.
- 1992–1993 Scholarship by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for a year at Oxford.
- 1988–1995 Scholarship by the German National Scholarship Foundation (*Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes*).

## Service to Professional Associations

- 2018 Section editor “meta-philosophy”, GAP.10-conference, Cologne.
- 2017 Section editor “philosophy of language”, conference of the German Society of Philosophy (DGPhi), Berlin.
- 2015 Section editor “philosophy of language”, GAP.9-conference, Osnabrück
- 2012 Member of the committee selected by the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP) to award the Wolfgang-Stegmüller-Prize (elected).
- 2006 Section editor for “philosophy of language”, GAP.6-conference, Berlin.
- 2003 Conference organizer and head of the executive committee for the GAP.5-conference, Bielefeld (450 participants, 30 invited talks, 180 talks in sections, 4 satellite workshops).
- Section editor “philosophy of mind” and “metaphysics”, GAP.5-conference, Bielefeld.
- 2000–2005 Managing director of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP) (elected 2000, re-elected 2003).

## Service to the Profession

Refereeing for the following journals: *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Dialectica*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *Ethical Theory & Moral Practice*, *Grazer Philosophische Studien*, *Logic and Algorithms in Computational Linguistics 2018*, *Nous*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophy & Psychology*, *Ratio*, *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*, *Synthese*, *the Journal of Pragmatics*, *Theoria*.

Refereeing for funding bodies: Austrian Science Fund (FWF), European Science Foundation, German National Research Council (DFG), Humboldt-Foundation, Mercator Research Center Ruhr (MERCUR), Swiss National Foundation (SNF), Thyssen-Foundation.

## International Conferences and Workshops Organized

- 2024 07 Workshop “Linguistic Intervention – Philosophical and Empirical Perspectives”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Steffen Koch
- 2024 06 Masterclass with M. Queloz “Ethics and Engineering of Concepts”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Steffen Koch

- 2021 03 Workshop “Conceptual Engineering: Feasibility & Normativity”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Steffen Koch
- 2018 09 Workshop “The Future of Teleosemantics”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Dr. Peter Schulte and Fabian Hundertmark
- 2017 09 Workshop “Teleosemantics and the Nature of Functions”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Dr. Peter Schulte and Fabian Hundertmark
- 2017 03 Workshop “Modal Knowledge”, Bielefeld University.
- 2015 09 Workshop „Natural Kind Terms – Reference // Rigidity // Essence”, Bielefeld University.
- 2014 04 Workshop “Issues from ‘Between Perception and Action’ with Bence Nanay”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Dr. Peter Schulte.
- 2013 09 Workshop „Minds without Magic: The Natural Basis of Intentionality”, Bielefeld University, co-organized with Dr. Peter Schulte.
- 2013 02 Workshop „Meaning and Categorization – Facing the Integration Challenge”, Bielefeld, Center for Interdisciplinary Research, co-organized with Prof. Nikola Kompa, Osnabrück.
- 2012 02 Workshop „Teleosemantics Today“, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, co-organized with Dr. Peter Schulte.
- 2009 11 Graduate Workshop „Knowledge – Mind – Language“, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg for the German Society of Analytic Philosophy (GAP).
- 2008 09 Workshop „Concepts and their Analysis“, Zürich University (CH), organized with Julia Langkau.
- 2007 06 Workshop “The A Priori and Its Role in Philosophy”, Gut Nottbeck, organized with Dr. Nikola Kompa and Dr. Christian Suhm.
- 2006 09 Workshop „Implicit Definitions & A Priori Knowledge“, FU Berlin, organized with Dr. Nikola Kompa and Dr. Christian Suhm.
- 2006 09 Sixth International Congress of the German Society of Analytic Philosophy (GAP) “Grundlagen & Anwendungen / Foundations & Applications”, Berlin.
  - Responsible for the Symposium „Thought Experiments, Conceivability & Philosophical Knowledge“ (Tim Williamson; David Chalmers).
- 2006 02 Workshop „A Priori Justification“, Gut Nottbeck, organized with Dr. Nikola Kompa and Dr. Christian Suhm.
- 2003 09 Fifth International Congress of the German Society of Analytic Philosophy (GAP) “Philosophie und/als Wissenschaft // Science – Philosophy – Scientific Philosophy”.
  - Conference organizer together with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann and Prof. Martin Carrier. As head of the executive committee (with Roland Bluhm) responsible for planning and running of the conference in advertising, logistics, documentation, web-presentation, and finances.
  - Responsible with Prof. Wolfgang Künne for the Symposia „A Priori Knowledge“ (George Bealer; David Papineau) and „Normativity“ (Paul Boghossian; Pierre Jacob; Hans-Johann Glock).

## B. Research

### Areas of Expertise

philosophy of language, philosophical semantics, meta-philosophy, conceptual engineering, modal epistemology

### Focal Topics of Research

externalism in semantics (especially with respect to natural kind predicates and paradigms terms more generally), two-dimensional semantics, modal epistemology and metaphysical modality, meta-philosophy and methods of philosophical enquiry (with a focus on armchair-based rather than experimental-based methods), conceptual engineering

### Areas of Competence

philosophy of mind, metaphysics, epistemology, history of theoretical philosophy

### Publications: Books

#### *Monographs*

Tim Henning/Nikola Kompa/Christian Nimtz: *Die Dunkle Seite der Sprache. Philosophische Ermittlungen zu unterdrückender Rede.* C.H. Beck, to appear 2024 or 2025

Christian Nimtz: *A New Rationalism? Intuitions, Modal Knowledge and the Analysis of Concepts*, MSS. 2014.

Christian Nimtz: *Wörter, Dinge, Stellvertreter. Quine, Davidson und Putnam zur Unbestimmtheit der Referenz*, Paderborn: mentis 2002.

#### *Edited Volumes*

Julia Langkau/Christian Nimtz (eds.): *New Perspectives on Concepts*, Grazer Philosophische Studien 81, Amsterdam: Rodopi 2010.

Nikola Kompa/Christian Nimtz/Christian Suhm (eds.): *The A Priori and Its Role in Philosophy*. Paderborn: mentis 2009.

Christian Nimtz & Ansgar Beckermann (Hgg.): *Philosophy, Science, Scientific Philosophy // Philosophie und/als Wissenschaft. Hauptvorträge und Kolloquiumsbeiträge zu GAP.5*. Paderborn: mentis 2005.

Roland Bluhm & Christian Nimtz (Hgg.): *Ausgewählte Beiträge zu den Sktionen, Fünfter Internationaler Kongress der Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie*. (CD-ROM) Paderborn: mentis 2004.

Christian Nimtz & Ansgar Beckermann (Hgg.): *Ausgewählte Beiträge zu den Sktionen, Vierter Internationaler Kongress der Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie*, (CD-ROM) Paderborn: mentis 2002.

#### *Editions with Commentary*

Quine, W.V.O.: *From a Logical Point of View. Three Selected Essays // Von einem Logischen Standpunkt. Drei ausgewählte Aufsätze*. Herausgegeben von Roland Bluhm und Christian Nimtz. Übersetzt von Roland Bluhm, kommentiert von Christian Nimtz, Stuttgart: Reclam 2011

*contains the commentaries:*

Christian Nimtz: „Über was es gibt“, oder wie Quine die Ontologie neu erfand“, 199–221.

Christian Nimtz: „Zwei Dogmen des Empirismus“, oder wie Quine den Logischen Empirismus überwand, 222–245.

Christian Nimtz: „Referenz und Modalität“, oder wie Quine der Logik ihre philosophischen Grenzen aufzeigen wollte, 246–269

## Encyclopedias

*Lexikon Philosophie. Hundert Grundbegriffe.* Herausgeber, zusammen mit Dr. Stefan Jordan (München), Reclam-Verlag, Stuttgart: 2<sup>nd</sup> revised edition 2019.

*Lexikon Philosophie. Hundert Grundbegriffe.* Herausgeber, zusammen mit Dr. Stefan Jordan (München), Reclam-Verlag, Stuttgart: 2009.

## Publications: Articles

### Research Contributions (# = ten key research papers)

Christian Nimtz: How (Meta-)Semantics Defuses Modal Pessimism. In A. Vaidya and D. Prelević eds. 2023: *Epistemology of Modality and Philosophical Methodology*, Routledge: New York, 108-127.

Christian Nimtz: More Good News for the Philosophical Armchair. In C. Pfisterer, N. Ratgeb, E. Schmidt eds. 2023: *Wittgenstein and Beyond*. London: Routledge, 121-136.

Christian Nimtz: Engineering concepts by engineering social norms: solving the implementation challenge, *Inquiry* 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1080/0020174X.2021.1956368> (#)

Christian Nimtz: How Science and Semantics Settle the Issue of Natural Kind Essentialism, *Erkenntnis* 86 (1), 2021, 149-170. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Glaubenssätze und ihre zwei Lesarten. Ein Kommentar zu Tim Hennings ,*From a Rational Point of View*', *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* 76 (1), 2022, 83-88.

Christian Nimtz: Geschmack und Überlegenheit. Ein Kommentar zu Julia Zakkous Faultless Disagreement. *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* 74 (2), 2020.

Christian Nimtz: Kripkean Meta-Semantics and Generalized Rigidity, *The Philosophical Quarterly*. 69 (275), 2019, 332-353. <https://doi.org/10.1093/pq/pqy059> (#)

Christian Nimtz: Paradigm Terms: The Necessity of Kind Term Identifications Generalized, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*. 95 (1), 2017, 124-140. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Two-Dimensional Semantics, in: Bob Hale/Crispin Wright/Alex Miller (eds.): *The Blackwell Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, Oxford: Blackwell 2017, 948–970.

Christian Nimtz: Zweidimensional Semantik, in: Nikola Kompa (Hg.): *Handbuch Sprachphilosophie*, Stuttgart: Metzler 2015, 299-309

Christian Nimtz: Knowledge, Abilities, and ‘because’-Clauses. A Critical Appraisal of Virtue-Theoretic Analyses of Knowledge, in: Tim Henning/David Schweikard (eds.): *Knowledge, Virtue, and Action: Putting Epistemic Virtues to Work*, London: Routledge 2013, 188–208. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Das Chinesische Zimmer, in: Rolf W. Puster (Hg.): *Klassische Argumentationen der Philosophie*, Paderborn: mentis 2013, 259–274..

Christian Nimtz: Conceptual Truths, Strong Possibilities and Our Knowledge of Metaphysical Necessities, in: *Philosophia Scientiæ*, 16 (2), 2012, 1–20. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Begriffsanalyse heute, in: *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* 66 (2), 2012, 218–247.

Christian Nimtz: A Priori Wissen als Philosophisches Problem, in: Deutsches Jahrbuch Philosophie 2, 2011, 1154–1174

Christian Nimtz & Julia Langkau: Concepts in Philosophy – A Rough Geography, in: *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 81, 2010, 1–11.

Christian Nimtz: Saving the Doxastic Account of Intuitions, in: *Philosophical Psychology* 23, 2010, 357–375. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Thought Experiments as Exercises in Conceptual Analysis, in: *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 81, 2010, 189–214. (#)

Christian Nimtz: Conceptual Truth Defended, in: Nikola Kompa/Christian Nimtz/Christian Suhm: *The A Priori and Its Role in Philosophy*. Paderborn: mentis 2009, 137–155. (#)

- Christian Nimtz: „Physisches“ und Multi-Realisierbarkeit, oder: zwei Probleme für den Physikalismus gelöst, in: Jan Michel (Hg.): *Physikalismus – Willensfreiheit – Künstliche Intelligenz*, Paderborn: mentis 2009, 23–42.
- Christian Nimtz: Kripke vs. Kripke, in: Adolf Rami/Wansing (Hgg.): *Referenz und Realität*. Paderborn: mentis 2007, 99–121.
- Christian Nimtz: Reassessing Referential Indeterminacy, *Erkenntnis* **62**, 2005, 1–28. (#)
- Christian Nimtz: Two-Dimensionalism and Natural Kind Terms, *Synthèse* **138**, 2004, 125–148.
- Christian Nimtz: Quine: Analytische und Synthetische Sätze, in: Ansgar Beckermann/Dominik Perler (Hgg.): *Klassiker der Philosophie Heute*, Stuttgart: Reclam 2004, 751–770.
- Christian Nimtz: Axiologie, Moralität, und Motivation. Ein Kommentar zu Ronald de Sousa, in: Achim Stephan/Henrik Walter (Hgg.): *Moralität, Rationalität und die Emotionen* (Bausteine zur Philosophie, Band 22). Interdisziplinäre Schriftenreihe Humboldt-Studienzentrum: Universität Ulm 2004, 75–96.
- Christian Nimtz: Reference, Conceptual Analysis, and the A Priori, in: Roland Bluhm & Christian Nimtz (Hgg.): *Ausgewählte Beiträge zu den Sektionen, Fünfter Internationaler Kongress der Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie*. Paderborn: mentis 2004, 320–331.
- Christian Nimtz/Michael Schütte: On Physicalism, Physical Properties, and Panpsychism, *Dialectica* **57**, 2003, 413–423.
- Christian Nimtz: Analytic Truths – Still Harmless After All These Years?, *Grazer Philosophische Studien* **66**, 2003, 91–188.
- Christian Nimtz: Parfit und die Theorie C, *Zeitschrift für Philosophische Forschung* **48**, 1994, 435–447.

#### *Contributions to Encyclopedias & Miscellania*

- Christian Nimtz: Das Ende des linguistic turn? Eine Stellungnahme, *Information Philosophie* 04/2016.
- Articles „W.V.O. Quine“ and „Saul Kripke“ in: Stefan Jordan/Burkard Mojsisch (Hgg.): *Philosophenlexikon*, Stuttgart: Reclam 2010.
- Christian Nimtz: Naturalisierte Erkenntnistheorie, in: Thomas Bonk (Hg.): *Lexikon der Erkenntnistheorie*, Darmstadt: Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft 2009.
- Christian Nimtz, Nikola Kompa und Christian Suhm: The A Priori and its Role in Philosophy, Introduction in: Nikola Kompa/Christian Nimtz/Christian Suhm: *The A Priori and Its Role in Philosophy*. Paderborn: mentis 2009.
- Artikel „Geist und Seele“, „Bedeutung“, „Analytisch und Synthetisch“ und „Rationalismus“, in: Stefan Jordan/Christian Nimtz (Hgg.): *Philosophie. Hundert Grundbegriffe*, Stuttgart: Reclam 2019 [erste Auflage 2009].
- Christian Nimtz: Two-Dimensional Semantics, in: Marc Binder/Nobutaka Hirokawa/Uwe Windhorst (Hgg.): *The Encyclopedic Reference of Neuroscience*, Berlin: Springer 2009.
- Christian Nimtz: Rezension von: Christof Rapp (1995): Identität, Persistenz und Substanzialität. Untersuchung zum Verhältnis von sortalen Termen und Aristotelischer Substanz. München/Freiburg: Alber, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* **79**, 1997, 327–334.

## Research Projects with Third Party Funding

- 2024              Workshop “Linguistic Intervention – Philosophical and Empirical Perspectives”, applied for by Steffen Koch  
funding allocated by the DFG: €7.320
- 2024-2027        CRC 1646, Sub-Project B05 “Open Texture as a Source of Linguistic Creativity” with Julia Zakou (HHU Düsseldorf)  
overall funding allocated for B05: €278.620
- 2015              Workshop “Natural Kind Terms – Reference/Essence/Modality”  
funding allocated by the DFG: €6.849

- 2015-2018 DFG-Project „Advancing Teleosemantics / Teleosemantik weitergedacht“  
with Dr. Peter Schulte, Bielefeld.  
funding: €210.450
- 2008 09 Workshop “Concepts and their Analysis”, Zurich, CH, organized with Julia Langkau. Funding provided by the SNF.
- 2006–2008 DFG-net “A Priori Rechtfertigung”, organized with Nikola Kompa and Christian Suhm

## Invited Talks

(\* = international expert workshop; # = peer-reviewed conference contribution)

- 2022 10 Jena, Gastvortrag  
Talk: „Begriff und die Welt“
- 2022 09 Berlin, GAP.11-conference#  
Talk: “Empirical Support for Conceptual Engineering? The View from Neo-Whorf”
- 2022 06 Zurich, Summer School on XPhi & Conceptual Engineering  
Talk 1: “Conceptual Engineering – the very Idea(s). An Opinionated Perspective.”  
Talk 2: “Challenges for Conceptual Engineers: Implementation and (other) Empirical Presuppositions”
- 2021 10 Zurich, Colloquium of Prof. Meylan  
Talk: “Engineering Concepts by Engineering Social Norms: Meeting the Implementation Challenge”
- 2021 09 Zurich, Conference Wittgenstein and Beyond: Language, Mind, and Normativity  
Talk: “More Good News for the Philosophical Armchair. A Case Study, or Something Like it.”
- 2021 09 e-Erlangen, DGPhil Conference#  
Talk: “Conceptual Engineering: The Normative Dimension”
- 2021 06 e-Tübingen, Tübingen Modality Workshop\*  
Talk: „Modal Knowledge on the Cheap? or: How to Push the Kripkean Template Beyond Identity“
- 2021 06 e-Barcelona, Logos Group  
Talk: “Conceptual Engineering: How to Change Meanings by Engineering Social Norms”
- 2021 03 e-Hamburg, G27 Treffen  
Talk: „Ein Kommentar zu Tim Hennings *From a Rational Point of View*“
- 2021 03 e-Bielefeld: Conceptual Engineering – Feasibility and Normativity\*  
Talk: “Engineering Concepts by Engineering Social Norms: Meeting the Implementation Challenge”
- 2020 06 Erlangen, Ringvorlesung Philosophie.  
Talk: „Wittgensteins Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus. Eine Annäherung.“
- 2019 11 Bochum: Emmy-Noether Research Group *Experimental Philosophy*  
Talk: “Conceptual Engineering as a Revisionist Methodology”
- 2018 09 Cologne, GAP.10-conference#  
Talk: “From Truth to Necessity – A Meta-Semantic Argument”
- 07 Berlin, Humboldt University: Humboldt Workshop in the Philosophy of Language & Logic\*  
Talk: “Rigidity, Predicates, and Kripkean Metasemantics”
- 2017 03 Bielefeld: Modal Knowledge\*  
Talk: “Paradigm Terms – A Meta-Semantic Cure for Modal Pessimism?”

	03	Berlin, Humboldt University: Group27 Symposium Talk: "Vier einfache Fragen zu <i>Tasty Contextualism</i> "
2016	09	Essen: Philosophical Methods* Talk: "Armchair Speculation and Contingent Truths in the Philosophy of Mind"
	03	Edinburgh, UK: Colloquium Talk: "A Meta-Semantic Argument for Natural Kind Essentialism?"
2015	10	Stirling, UK: Stirling Workshop in Modal Epistemology* Commentary on Amanda Bryant's "Tethering Modal Imagination. Toward a Naturalized Epistemology of Modal Metaphysics"
	09	Bielefeld: Natural Kinds – Reference, Essence, Modality* Talk: "Natural Kind Predicates as Paradigm Terms"
	09	Osnabrück, GAP.9-conference# Talk: "A Pragmatic Argument for 2d Neo-Descriptivism"
2014	11	Essen: Colloquium Talk: "Gedankenexperimente und kontrafaktisches Denken"
	09	Münster, XXIII. DGPhil-conference# Talk: "Two Dimensional Pragmatics"
	09	Belgrade, SRB: Modal Epistemology* Talk: "Modal Knowledge From Conceptual Truth?, Or: Why There Are No Strong Contingencies"
	06	Hannover: Colloquium Talk: "Gedankenexperimente und kontrafaktisches Denken"
	06	Tampere, FIN: Kinds – topics in semantics, metaphysics and philosophy of science* Talk: "A Neo-Descriptivist Perspective on Natural Kind Predicates: Exploring the Kripkean Heritage"
	06	Tübingen: Colloquium Talk: "Gedankenexperimente und kontrafaktisches Denken"
	04	Zurich, CH: Colloquium Talk: "Gedankenexperimente und kontrafaktisches Denken"
	04	Bielefeld: Issues from 'Between Perception and Action', with Bence Nanay Talk: "A Commentary on Bence Nanay's "Between Perception and Action""
	12	Zurich, CH: Colloquium Talk: "Begriffsanalyse und Philosophie heute"
2013	09	Berlin, Humboldt University: Thought Experiments, Modal Knowledge, and Counterfactuals* Talk: "Thought Experimenting as Counterfactual Thinking"
	05	Lyon, F: Concepts and Modal Epistemology* Talk: "Modal Knowledge from Conceptual Truth?"
	04	Bristol, UK: Talk at the department of philosophy, invited by Alexander Bird. Talk: "Modal Knowledge from Conceptual Truth?"
	03	Mainz: The Epistemology of Modality and Essence* Talk: "On the Metaphysics and Epistemology of Metaphysical Modality"
	02	Bielefeld, Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (ZiF): Categorization and Meaning, interdisciplinary international workshop (philosophy – psychology – linguistics)* Talk: "Categorization and Modal Semantics. Perspectives from Philosophy".
	11	Luxembourg: Concepts* Talk: „Computational Roles and Representational Powers. An Uneasy Journey“.
	03	Paris, F (Sorbonne): Metaphysical and Meta-Scientific Knowledge* Talk: "Modal Knowledge. Firm Ground and Beyond".
2011	06	Köln: Conceptual Analysis and Two-Dimensional Semantics*

- Talk: "Counterrevolutionary Semantics".
- 03 Mühlheim: Methoden der Philosophie, joint workshop by the DGPhil and the GAP.  
Article: "Begriffsanalyse heute"
- 01 Stuttgart: Colloquium  
Talk: "Vernunft, Gefühl und Pathologischer Irrglaube. Capgras-Fälle und unser Bild des Geistes"
- 2010 12 Berlin, Humboldt University: Vagueness in Law\*  
Talk: "A commentary on Katherine Hawley's 'What Are Natural Kinds? (A.K.A. Natural Kinds as Complex Universals)'".
- 12 Nancy, F: Semantics and Epistemology of Modality\*  
Talk "Modal Insight from Semantic Knowledge?".
- 08 Jena: International Conference on Virtue Epistemology\*  
Talk: "Knowledge, Abilities, and "because"-Clauses"
- 2009 09 Bremen: GAP.7 conference#  
Talk: "Armchair Philosophy and the Epistemology of Counterfactuals"
- 09 Berlin, Zweiter workshop der Emmy Noether Gruppe „Philosophy & Logic of Explanation“. Commentary on Murali Ramachandran's "A Puzzle about Conditionals".
- 07 Cologne: Understanding and the A Priori\*  
Talk: "Thought Experiments, Counterfactual Thinking and the Limits of Empiricism".
- 07 Bielefeld, Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF): What are Concepts?\*  
Talk: "Concepts as theoretical Entities".
- 2008 12 Turku, FIN: Concepts and Intuitions\*  
Talk: "Philosophical Intuitions and Semantic Knowledge"
- 10 Münster: Physikalismus  
Talk: "David Chalmers' Argument für den Dualismus"
- 09 Duisburg-Essen, XXI. DGPhil-conference, Colloquium "Quellen des Wissens"  
Talk: "A Priori Wissen als philosophisches Problem"
- 09 Zürich: Concepts and their Analysis\*  
Talk: "Thought Experiments as Conceptual Explorations"
- 09 Cologne: Armchairs in Flames?\*  
Talk: "What Intuitions are Not"
- 06 Hamburg: General Lecture Series "Geist & Welt"  
Talk: "Indexikalische Überzeugungen"
- 01 Hamburg, General Lecture Series "Sprache und Welt",  
Talk: "Eigennamen und Sprecherwissen"
- 2006 09 Berlin, Freie Universität: Implicit Definitions and A Priori Knowledge\*  
Talk: "In Defence of Quine. A Commentary on David Chalmers"
- 09 Berlin, GAP.6-conference#  
Talk: "Intuitions, Reliability, and the Argument from Psychological Explanation"
- 05 London, King's College: Colloquium.  
Talk: "Defending the Hybrid View. A Commentary on Mark Textor"
- 03 Turku, FIN: Descriptions\*  
Talk: "It's the Notion, Stupid. Descriptivism and the Argument from Communication"
- 01 Dresden: Colloquium  
Talk: "Bezug und Informativität. Hat Frege doch Recht?"
- 2005 12 Bern, CH: Colloquium  
Talk: "Taugen Gedankenexperimente als Werkzeug des Philosophen?"
- 06 Magdeburg: Colloquium

		Talk: "Der Neue Rationalismus"
2004	01	Osnabrück: Colloquium Talk: "Was kann der Philosoph im Lehnstuhl – und was nicht?"
2003	09	Bielefeld, GAP.5-conference# Talk: "Reference Fixing and Conceptual Analysis"
2002	06	Lund, SWE, ECAP.4-conference# Talk: "Why Natural Kind Terms Still Do Not Have Senses"
2001	09	Berlin, Humboldt University: Fifty Years of Two Dogmas* Talk: "Analytic Truths – Still Harmless After All These Years?"
2000	10	Heidelberg: Italo-German Workshop in Philosophy Talk: "Quining Primary Intentions"

## C. Teaching

(WS = winter semester SoS = summer semester, AT = autumn term, ST = spring term)

### Bielefeld University (since 2012)

Please note: In every teaching term since winter term 2014, I have also hosted a „Research Seminar Theoretical Philosophy“ aimed at advanced MA-students and postgraduates.

2024	SoS	Welche Begriffe sollten wir haben? Matthieu Queloz, The Ethics of Conceptualization, zusammen mit Steffen Koch (MA Seminar)
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Philosophie (Masterseminar)
2023	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie (BA Vorlesung + Tutorien)
	WS	Platons "Phaidon" (BA Seminar)
	WS	Platons "Phaidon" (Philosophischer Einstieg)
	WS	Generöse Feiglinge? Die Sprachphilosophie von thick concepts (MA Seminar)
	WS	Werkstattseminar Philosophie (Masterseminar)
2023	SoS	Logik 2: Wahrscheinlichkeit, Nutzen, Notwendigkeit (BA Vorlesung + Tutorien)
	SoS	Sprache gut & böse (Masterseminar)
	SoS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA & MA Seminar)
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Philosophie (Masterseminar)
2022	winter semester – <i>research leave</i> –	
2022	SoS	Logik 2: Wahrscheinlichkeit, Nutzen, Notwendigkeit (BA Vorlesung + Tutorien)
	SoS	David Hume – An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding / Eine Untersuchung über den menschlichen Verstand (BA Seminar & Philosophischer Einstieg)
	SoS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA & MA Seminar)
2021	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Vorlesung + Tutorien]
	WS	Formt unser Denken unsere Sprache? (Masterseminar)
	WS	Werkstattseminar Philosophie (Masterseminar)
	WS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA & MA Seminar)
2021	SoS	Logik 2: Wahrscheinlichkeit, Nutzen, Notwendigkeit (BA Vorlesung + Tutorien)
	SoS	Roads to Reference (Masterseminar)
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Philosophie (Masterseminar)
	SoS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA & MA Seminar)
2020	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie (BA Seminar)
	WS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA MA Seminar)

2020	SoS	Logik 2: Wahrscheinlichkeit, Nutzen, Notwendigkeit (BA Vorlesung + Tutorien)
	SoS	Satellitenseminar Philosophie (BA & MA online Seminar)
	SoS	Semantik <– Metaethik – normative Sprache. Stephen Finlays „A Confusion of Tongues. A Theory of Normative Language“ (MA Seminar)
2019	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Course + Tutorials]
	WS	Klassiker der Sprachphilosophie: Ayers Sprache, Wahrheit und Logik // Language, Truth and Logic [BA Seminar]
	WS	Bad Language [Master Seminar]
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2019	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Course + Tutorials]
	SoS	Logik 2 Wahrscheinlichkeit, Nutzen, Notwendigkeit [BA course + tutorials]
	SoS	Wittgensteins "Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus" [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Philosophie als Begriffsverbesserung? [Master Seminar]
2018	WS	Quine über Existenz, Bedeutung und Notwendigkeit. [BA Seminar]
	WS	Ist Bedeutung im Kopf? Externalismus in Sprache und Geist [Master Seminar]
	WS	Werkstattseminar Pritsche und Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2018	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Course + Tutorials]
	SoS	David Hume: An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding // Untersuchung über den menschlichen Verstand [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Tiger haben Streifen! Allgemeinheit und Gewöhnlichkeit in Sprache und Metaphysik [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Praktische und Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2017	winter semester – <i>research leave</i> –	
2017	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Course + Tutorials]
	SoS	Tiere und ihre Signale [BA Seminar]
	SoS	David Lewis, Meisterphilosoph: Identität, Fiktionalität, Zeitreisen und mehr [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2016	WS	Platons 'Phaidon' [BA Seminar]
	WS	David Lewis, Meisterphilosoph: Geist, Sprache, Metaphysik [Master Seminar]
	WS	Möglichkeit, Notwendigkeit und unser Wissen davon [BA Seminar]
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2016	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA course + tutorials]
	SoS	John Locke "An Essay Concerning Human Understanding // Ein Versuch über den menschlichen Verstand" [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Metasemantik. Eine sprachphilosophische Entdeckungsreise [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2015	WS	Willensfreiheit [Intensivbetreuter BA-Kurs 'Schreiben II']
	WS	Wittgensteins "Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus" [BA Seminar]
	WS	Ich bin jetzt dran! Indexikalität in Denken und Sprache [Master Seminar]
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2015	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA course + tutorials]
	SoS	Ayers Sprache, Wahrheit und Logik // Language, Truth and Logic [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Kontext und Bedeutung. Eine Expedition in Semantik und Pragmatik [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2014	WS	Grundideen der Sprachphilosophie [BA Seminar]
	WS	Willensfreiheit [Intensivbetreuter BA-Kurs 'Schreiben II']
	WS	Ja sind wir denn alle irrational? Das philosophische Bild des autonomen Denkers im Streit mit der empirischen Psychologie [Master Seminar]
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]

2014	SoS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA course + tutorials]
	SoS	Frege & Russell [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Wahrheit, Bezug und Fiktion in der Sprachphilosophie [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2013	WS	Hume Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding (BA-Seminar)
	WS	Willensfreiheit (BA-intensivbetreut „Schreiben II“)
	WS	Metaphern in Sprache und Geist (Master Seminar, mit Blockteil zusammen mit Münster und Osnabrück)
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie [Master Seminar]
2013		summer semester – <i>research leave</i> –
2012	WS	Platons <i>Phaidon</i> (BA-Seminar)
	WS	Willensfreiheit (BA-intensivbetreut „Schreiben II“)
	WS	Teleosemantik (Master Seminar, mit Blockteil zusammen mit Münster und Osnabrück)
	WS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie (Master Seminar)
2012	SoS	Intentionalität und Phänomenales Bewusstsein (BA-Seminar)
	SoS	Klassische Texte der Theoretischen Philosophie (BA-intensivbetreut, „Schreiben I“)
	SoS	Was sind Begriffe? ( Master Seminar)
	SoS	Werkstattseminar Theoretische Philosophie (Master Seminar)

## University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (2008–2012)

2011	WS	Theoretische Philosophie heute [Lecture Course]
	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Seminar]
	WS	Wie kommt Denken in die Welt? Zur Naturalisierung des Geistes [Master Seminar]
	WS	Concepts, Categorization and Perception [Research Seminar]
2011	SoS	Grundfragen der Erkenntnistheorie [Lecture Course]
	SoS	Wissen und Rechtfertigung (Mittelseminar)
	SoS	Leibniz' Monadologie [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Modal Epistemology [Research Seminar]
2010	WS	Klassische Fragen der Sprachphilosophie [Lecture Course]
	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Seminar]
	WS	Alfred Ayer „Language, Truth and Logic“ [Master Seminar]
	WS	Tyler Burge „Origins of Objectivity“ [Research Seminar]
2010	SoS	Philosophie des Geistes [Lecture Course]
	SoS	Eine Einführung in die Sprachphilosophie [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Humes <i>Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> [advanced BA seminar]
	SoS	Kripkes <i>Naming and Necessity</i> [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Virtue Epistemology [Research Seminar]
2009	WS	Philosophie der Gegenwart [Lecture Course]
	WS	Neuere Texte zur Theoretischen Philosophie [Research Seminar]
	WS	Skeptizismus [Master Seminar]
	WS	Kants „Prolegomena“ [advanced BA seminar]
	WS	Grundkurs Theoretische Philosophie [BA Seminar]
2009	SoS	Bedeutung – Wahrheit – Referenz. Ausgewählte Themen der Sprachphilosophie [Lecture Course]
	SoS	Gibt es abstrakte Gegenstände? Eine Tour durch Sprachanalyse und Metaphysik [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Platons „Phaidon“ [advanced BA seminar]
	SoS	Freges Sprachphilosophie [advanced BA seminar]

## University of Hamburg (2007–2008)

2008	SoS	Grundthemen der Philosophie des Geistes [Lecture Course]
	SoS	Neuere Themen der theoretischen Philosophie [research seminar]
	SoS	Der Alte und der Neue Rationalismus [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Leibniz <i>Monadologie</i> [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Humes <i>Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> [BA Seminar]
2007	WS	Erkenntnistheorie [Lecture Course]
	WS	Einführungskurs Sprachphilosophie [Lecture Course]
	WS	Wissen und Rechtfertigung. Eine Einführung anhand klassischer Texte [BA Seminar]
	WS	Freges Sprachphilosophie [Master Seminar]
2007	SoS	Jetzt ich? Indexikalität in Sprache und Denken [Master Seminar]
	SoS	Themen der Sprachphilosophie von Frege bis Heute [Lecture Course]
	SoS	W.V.O. Quine „From a Logical Point of View“ [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Einführung in die Philosophie des Geistes anhand klassischer Texte [BA Seminar]

## University of Reading, UK (2005–2006)

2006	ST	Mind and World [BA lecture course and seminar, second year, with David Oderberg and Daniel Whiting]
2005	AT	Philosophy of Language [BA lecture course and seminar, third year, with Hans-Johann Glock]
	AT	Metaphysics and Religion [BA tutorial, first year]

## Bielefeld University (1995–2005, 2008)

2008	WS	Sprache, Denken und Verstehen [Essay Training]
	WS	Leibniz Fünf kurze Schriften zu Logik und Metaphysik [BA Seminar]
	WS	Gilbert Ryles <i>The Concept of Mind</i> [BA Seminar]
2005	SoS	Platons 'Phaidon' [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Sprache & Erkenntnis Heute – Saul Kripkes <i>Naming and Necessity</i> . [BA Seminar]
2004	WS	Moderne Klassiker der Sprachphilosophie [Master Seminar]
	WS	Metaphysik heute? E.J. Lowe <i>A Survey of Metaphysics</i> [Master Seminar]
2004	SoS	Wie gewinnen Philosophen Erkenntnis? Texte von Plato bis Kant [BA Seminar]
	SoS	A Priori Wissen [Master Seminar]
2003	WS	Eine Einführung in die Philosophie des Geistes anhand Klassischer Texte [BA Seminar]
	WS	Neuere Theorien des Bewusstseins [Master Seminar]
2002	SoS	Kant <i>Prolegomena</i> [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Subjekte der Erkenntnis [Master Seminar]
2002	WS	Hume <i>A Treatise of Human Nature</i> (book I) [BA Seminar]
	WS	Selbstkenntnis [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
2002	SoS	Descartes <i>Meditationen</i> [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Strukturen des Ich [Master Seminar]
2001	WS	Sprache und Moral [BA Seminar]
	WS	Skeptizismus [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
2000	SoS	Metaphysik – was ist und was soll das? Texte von Plato bis Carnap [BA Seminar]
	SoS	Kant <i>Kritik der reinen Vernunft</i> . Die Deduktion der reinen Verstandesbegriffe [Master Seminar]
2000	WS	Kant <i>Kritik der reinen Vernunft</i> . Eine Einführung [BA Seminar]
	WS	Was heißt es, eine Überzeugung zu haben? [Master Seminar]
2000	SoS	Einführung in die Logik [Lecture Course]

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	SoS	Die Philosophie von P.F. Strawson [Master Seminar, with Prof. Hans-Johann Glock.]
1999	WS	John Locke <i>An Essay Concerning Human Understanding</i> [BA Seminar]
	WS	Frank Jackson <i>From Metaphysics to Ethics</i> [Master Seminar]
1999	SoS	Was sind Begriffe? Antworten von Frege bis Fodor [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
1998	WS	Rechtfertigung [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
1998	SoS	Davidsons Philosophie der Sprache und des Geistes [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
1997	WS	Philosophische Theorien von Referenz und Referieren [BA Seminar]
	WS	Einführung in die Sprachphilosophie [BA Seminar]
1997	SoS	Neuere Arbeiten zum Thema ‚Bewusstsein‘ [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
1996	WS	Repräsentationalismus vs. Konnektionismus [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]
1996	SoS	Putnams Interner Realismus [Master Seminar, with Prof. Ansgar Beckermann.]

### **Intensive Courses Taught and Introductory Lectures Given at other Universities**

2022	06	Zurich: Summer School on XPhi & Conceptual Engineering
2014	07	Erlangen: General Lecture Series. Talk: “W.V.O. Quine über Existenz”
2008	08	Münster: One day advanced intensive course “Zweidimensionale Semantik”
2007	08	Bern, CH: One day advanced intensive course “Indexikalität in Sprache und Denken”
2005	12	Bern, CH: One day advanced intensive course “Begriffe und ihre Analyse”
2005	06	Heidelberg: Three day advanced intensive course “Zweidimensionale Semantik”