

Harry Alanen – Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DETAILS

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION: Ancient Philosophy, Philosophy of Mind & Action
AREAS OF COMPETENCE: Ethics, History of Philosophy

EDUCATION

DPHIL IN PHILOSOPHY

University of Oxford, New College

October 2014-Present

Thesis title: "Aristotle on Action and Agency"

Supervisors: Prof. Ursula Coope (2015 – present)
Prof. David Charles (January-April 2017)
Prof. Terence Irwin (2014-15)

Completion: by January 11th 2019 (final submission date)

VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW

University of Leipzig, Humboldt Project

July 2018

VISITING ASSISTANT IN RESEARCH

Yale University, Department of Philosophy

January-April 2017

MASTER OF STUDIES IN ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY

University of Oxford, Oriel College

October 2013-July 2014

BACHELOR OF ARTS

University of Helsinki, Faculty of Arts

2003-2005, 2011-2013

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

MAJOR GRANTS

The Humboldt Project (2 650 € for visiting Leipzig) April 2018
Alfred Kordelin Foundation (12 000 € toward my DPhil) October 2017
Alfred Kordelin Foundation (4 000 € for visiting Yale) October 2016
The Ella and Georg Ehrnrooth Foundation (11 000 € toward my DPhil) May 2015

MINOR GRANTS

British Society for the History of Philosophy Student Bursary (£100) April 2018
New College Travel Grant (£962.67) October 2016
New College Tutor for Graduates' Discretionary Fund (£300) October 2016
Faculty of Philosophy Travel Grant (£250) October 2016
New College Travel Grant (£162.33) February 2016

PUBLICATIONS

IN PREPARATION

"Aristotle on Habitual Action", for consideration in the *Habit in the History of Philosophy* volume to be published in Routledge's *Rewriting the History of Philosophy*-series. Deadline: May 2018.

"Aristotle and Contemporary Philosophy of Action", for consideration in the Philosophical Society of Finland Colloquium conference proceeding, edited by J. Kuorikoski & T. Toppinen, to be published in the *Acta Philosophica Fennica*-series. Deadline: May 2018.

"A Review of C.M.M. Olfert's *Aristotle on Practical Truth* (OUP, 2017)", for *Ancient Philosophy Today: DIALOGOI*. Deadline: June 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

LECTURES

Introduction to Philosophy of Action (University of Oxford)

Michaelmas Term 2017

A four-lecture course aiming to give advanced undergraduate students an overview of the central issues in the philosophy of action. More specifically, the aim is to deepen students understanding of key positions in the philosophy of action, to sharpen their understanding of problems related to the explanation of action, and to help them raise critical questions regarding what actions are, how actions are to be explained, and what different theories of actions aim to do.

TUTORIALS

Plato's Republic Tutorial (Mansfield College, Oxford)

Hilary Term 2018

Plato's Republic Tutorial (Harris Manchester College, Oxford)

Hilary Term 2018

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Michaelmas Term 2017

Plato's Republic Tutorial (Mansfield College, Oxford)

Michaelmas Term 2016

Nicomachean Ethics Tutorial (Queen's College, Oxford)

Trinity Term 2016

REVISION CLASSES

Plato's Republic Revision Class (Mansfield College, Oxford)

Trinity Term 2018

Plato's Republic Revision Class (Keble College, Oxford)

Hilary Term 2018

Plato's Republic Revision Class (St. Catherine's College, Oxford)

Hilary Term 2018

General Ethics Revision Class (St. John's College, Oxford)

Trinity Term 2016

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

UPCOMING TALKS

"Teleology and the Good in Aristotle's Physics II.8-9", St Andrews Graduate Conference in Ancient Philosophy 2018 on 'Teleology, Intelligence and Life in the Platonic and Aristotelian Tradition', University of St Andrews, 05-06.06.2018.

PAST TALKS

"Aristotle on Habitual Action", British Society for the History of Philosophy 2018 Conference on 'Habit in the History of Philosophy', University of Durham, 13.04.2018.

"Aristotle's *De Anima* III.7 on Pleasant and Painful Perception", APA Pacific Division, Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, San Diego, California, 28.03.2018.

"Aristotle and the 'Standard Story' on Action and Agency", Philosophical Society of Finland Colloquium

2018, Helsinki, 11.01.2018.

"Aristotle and his Predecessors on the Problem of Change in *Physics I*", History of Philosophy Research Seminar, University of Helsinki, 28.09.2017.

"Aristotle on Desire as the Cause of Bodily Movement", Working Group in Ancient Philosophy, Yale University, 10.04.2017.

"Aristotle and the Philosophy of Action", History of Philosophy Research Seminar, University of Helsinki, 04.03.2016.

PRESENTATIONS AT GRADUATE CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

"The *aporia* of *Physics* III.3: Aristotle on the sameness of action and affection", GAPWIP-seminar, University of Oxford, 19.01.2018.

"Aristotle on Desire as the Cause of Bodily Movement", DPhil Seminar, University of Oxford, 16.06.2017.

"Aristotle on the Perception of Pleasure and Pain in *De Anima* III.7", Uppsala Graduate Conference in History of Philosophy, Uppsala University, 30.09.2016.

"Aristotle and the Philosophy of Action", Ockham Society, University of Oxford, 10.02.2016.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

Initiator & Co-Organizer of "Mind, Nature, and Morality: A Conference in Honour of Lilli Alanen", University of Helsinki, 02-04.09.2016, supported by The Finnish Society of Sciences and Letters, the Ella & Georg Ehrnrooth Foundation, Oskar Öflunds Stiftelse, and the Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies; <http://mindnaturemorality.wordpress.com>.

Co-Organizer of the 19th Oxford Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Oxford, 13-15.11.2015.

ASSISTANT WORK

Editorial Assistant

Summer 2018

Assisting Dr. Martina Reuter and Dr. Frans Svensson prepare their *Mind, Body, and Morality: New Themes from Descartes and Spinoza* for publication (with Routledge).

Research Assistant

Michaelmas Term 2016

Assistant to Dr. Anna Marmodoro, helping her prepare a number of publications for print, and other research related duties.

Admissions Interviews

2014-2016

Assisting Dr. Paolo Fait with interviews of prospective undergraduate students applying for Classics, and Philosophy & Modern Languages at New College & St. Hugh's College (University of Oxford).

COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Committee member of the Jowett Society

2017-Present

Committee member of the DPhil Seminar

2016-2017

Committee member of Ockham Society

2014-2016

PEER REVIEW

Member of AHRC-TORCH Student Peer Review College

2015-2016

MISCELLANEOUS

Representative for research degree students at the Graduate Studies Committee, together with Alexander Roberts (Faculty of Philosophy, Oxford, 2016-2017).

NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

THE MAIREA FOUNDATION

Deputy board member

2012-Present

The aim of foundation is to support and preserve the cultural values of Villa Mairea, an iconic house designed by architects Alvar and Aino Aalto for Harry and Maire Gullichsen and their unique art and design collections. As a deputy board member I have assisted the foundation in marketing and internet related tasks. I am currently co-producing a short documentary film about the foundations history and work.

DEVELOPER'S HELSINKI OY AB

Co-founder, President

2009-Present

Chief Operative Developer

2009-2011

Developer's Helsinki is a web development company I co-founded in 2009. Tasks included long-term strategic and financial planning, day-to-day administrative paperwork, financial and human resource management, client consultation in internet related business questions, as well as internal design & development tasks.

NEW COLLEGE BOAT CLUB

Treasurer

2015-2016

NETMANAGER OY

Co-founder, President

2008-2012

Business Developer

2008

LANGUAGES & OTHER COMPETENCIES

LANGUAGES

Finnish: Excellent

Swedish: Excellent

English: Excellent (CEFR C2)

I am also able to work with Attic Greek.

COMPUTER SKILLS

ECDL in basic IT. Basic knowledge of Adobe Photoshop. Good knowledge of html and css. Experience with multiple operative systems.