

Miloud Belkoniene

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Philosophy (Insigni cum Laude) May 2014 - Apr. 2018

Université de Fribourg: defended on 8th June 2018, supervised by Prof. Gianfranco Soldati and Prof. Marcel Weber.

Master of Arts (Summa cum laude) Sept. 2011 - Aug. 2013

Université de Fribourg: degree obtained in Philosophy and History.

Bachelor of Arts (Cum laude) Sept. 2007 - Feb. 2011

Université de Neuchatel: degree obtained in Philosophy, History and French Literature.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Postdoctoral researcher May. 2025 - present

University of Zurich within the UZH Postdoc Grant project "Understanding: Between Contents and Phenomena".

Postdoctoral researcher Dec. 2023 - Apr. 2025

University of Zurich within the SNSF project "Evidence: Knowledge and Understanding".

Research associate May. 2023 - present

University of Johannesburg, African Centre for Epistemology and Philosophy of Science.

Research associate Dec. 2021 - Nov. 2023

University of Glasgow within the SNSF project "Evidence: Knowledge and Understanding".

Postdoctoral researcher May 2021 - Dec. 2021

University of Zurich within the SNSF project "Evidence: Knowledge and Understanding".

- Lecturer** Sept. 2020 - Feb. 2021
Université de Fribourg.
- Visiting postdoctoral researcher** Nov. 2019 - Sept. 2020
University of Glasgow within the SNSF project "Understanding What We Know": supervised by Dr. Christoph Kelp.
- Visiting postdoctoral researcher** Feb. 2019 - Oct. 2019
University College London within the SNSF project "Understanding What We Know": supervised by Prof. Jose Zalabardo.
- SNSF assistant** Aug. 2017 - Apr. 2018
Université de Fribourg: supervised by Prof. Gianfranco Soldati.
- Visiting Ph.D. student** Aug. 2016 - Aug. 2017
University of California Berkeley: supervised by Prof. Lara Buchak.
- SNSF assistant** May 2014 - Aug. 2016
Université de Fribourg: supervised by Prof. Gianfranco Soldati.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Experience & Reason Research Group director** May 2023 - present
Université de Fribourg: direction of EXRE research group.
- Zurich Epistemology Group on Rationality coordinator** Oct. 2022 - present
University of Zurich: construction and management of the ZEGRa website.
- Experience & Reason Research Group coordinator** Sept. 2018 - May 2023
Université de Fribourg: construction and management of the EXRE website.
- Experience & Reason Research Group events manager** Jul. 2015 - Aug. 2016
Université de Fribourg: organisation of the biweekly EXRE research colloquium in collaboration with Julien Bugnon.

TEACHING

Lecture: Junior Honours Epistemology Fall 2022

University of Glasgow: given with Prof. Christoph Kelp.

Lecture: Introduction to Philosophy 2016 - 2022

Université de Fribourg: given as part of the Quali+ program in Philosophy.

Lecture: Introduction to Epistemology Fall 2020

Université de Fribourg.

Seminar: On Certainty Fall 2017

Université de Fribourg: given with Prof. Gianfranco Soldati.

Seminar: Introduction to Epistemology Spring 2016

Université de Genève: given with Michal Haldky.

SUPERVISIONS

Alexander Belak 2021 - present

PhD supervision with Prof. Anne Meylan as the main supervisor.

Samet Sulejmanoski 2021

Supervision and member of the committee for the evaluation of his MA thesis.

Aurélien Sallin 2018

Supervision and member of the committee for the evaluation of his MA thesis.

BOOKS

- "Rational Understanding: From Explanation to Knowledge". *Routledge*, 2023.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- "From Seeing to Knowing: the Case of Propositional Perception". *Philosophical Studies*, forthcoming.
- "Moral understanding: From virtue to knowledge". *Noûs* 59, 2025, pp. 219-233.

- "Explanationism, Circularity and Non-Evaluative Grounding". *Grazer Philosophische Studien 110*, 2024. pp. 28-46.
- "Grasping in Understanding". *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science 74*, 2023, pp. 603-617.
- "Confusion, Understanding and Success". *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism 13*, 2023, pp. 44-60.
- "Reassessing Lucky Understanding". *Episteme 20*, 2023, pp. 513-527.
- "The rational Dimension of Understanding". *Synthese 200*, 2022, pp. 1-16.
- "Why Explanatory Considerations Matter". *Erkenntnis 86*, 2021, pp. 473-491.
- "Acting Upon Uncertain Beliefs" (with Patryk Dziurosz-Serafinowicz). *Acta Analytica 35*, 2020, pp. 253-271.
- "What Should We Believe about the Future?". *Synthese 197*, 2020, pp. 2375-2386.
- "Normalcy, Understanding and the Problem of Statistical Evidence". *Theoria 85*, 2019, pp. 202-218.
- "What Are Explanatory Virtues Indicative Of?". *Logos and Episteme 8*, 2017, pp. 179-193.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES

- "Certainty" (with Jacques Henri Vollet). *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2022.
- "Certitude" (with Jacques Henri Vollet). *L'encyclopédie philosophique*, 2021.

TALKS

- "Moral Understanding From Virtue to Knowledge" (*invited contribution*), Colloquium on Moral Understanding Through Reflective Equilibrium, GAP.12, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Sept. 2025.
- "Understanding of Questions as a Guide for Inquiry", Research Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, May 2025.
- "Grasping, Situation Modelling and Understanding", Philosophy of Science Research Colloquium, Universität Bern, Apr. 2025.
- "Les degrés de la compréhension : entre profondeur et centralité", Colloque de recherche Institut de Philosophie, Université de Neuchâtel, nov. 2024.
- "Degrees of Understanding: Between Richness and Depth", Knowledge-How and Understanding Workshop, Sorbonne Université, Oct. 2024.

- "Moral Intuitionism: Between Reasons and Inclinations" (*blind review*), National Meeting in Analytic Philosophy, Lisbon NOVA Institute of Philosophy, Jul. 2024.
- "From Seeing to Knowing: The Case of Propositional Perception", Atelier "The Weight of Reasons", Collège de France, Apr. 2024.
- "Moral Intuitionism: Between Reasons and Inclinations", Thumos Seminar, Université de Genève, Mar. 2024.
- "From Seeing to Knowing: The Case of Propositional Perception", Normativity and Reasons workshop, Université de Fribourg and Université de Genève, Jan. 2024.
- "The Source of Understanding" (*blind review*), Social Epistemology Network Event, University of Glasgow, Sept. 2023.
- "Moral Understanding From Virtue to Knowledge" (*blind review*), European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, Central European University (CEU), Aug. 2023.
- "Moral Understanding From Virtue to Knowledge" (*blind review*), Société de Philosophie Analytique, Université de Grenoble, Jul. 2023.
- "Acting as a Way of Grasping", Cogito research colloquium, University of Glasgow, Nov. 2022.
- "Confusion, Competence and Understanding", ZEGRa research colloquium, University of Zurich, Oct. 2022.
- "The Rational Dimension of Understanding", The Epistemology of Understanding, University of Zurich, Oct. 2022.
- "Fostering Understanding", Moral Understanding, Virtue and Moral Competence workshop, Université de Fribourg, Jun. 2022.
- "Fostering Understanding", Seminarkolloquium, University of Zurich, May. 2022.
- "Understanding and Skepticism", Experience & Reason Research Group, Université de Fribourg, Apr. 2020.
- "Truth and Understanding", Cogito research seminar, University of Glasgow, Feb. 2020.
- "Saisir en Comprenant", Valeurs épistémiques: Compréhension et éthique intellectuelle, Collège de France, Dec. 2019.
- "Grasping in Relation to Understanding", Consciousness, Understanding, and Self-Knowledge, Sharif University of Technology, Jul. 2019.
- "What Should We Believe about the Future", 14th Annual International Conference on Philosophy, Athens, May. 2019.
- "Why Explanatory Understanding is not a Specie of Knowledge", Summer School: Sujets conscients et rationnels en tant qu'entités biologiques, Université de Fribourg and Université de Genève, Sept. 2017.

- "The Representational Role of Credence in Second-Order Decisions" (*blind review*), European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, LMU München, Aug. 2017.
- "Understanding, Knowledge and Inquiry", Wollheim Philosophy Society, UC Berkeley, Apr. 2017.
- "Explanationism and Truthlike Explanations" (*blind review*), European Epistemology Network, Ecole normale supérieure (ENS) and Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS), Jul. 2016.
- "What does Scepticism Teaches Us on the Value of Doxastic Attitudes?", Summer School: Intentionality, Rationality and the Subject, Université de Fribourg, Jun. 2016.
- "Credence's Representational Role and Second-Order Decisions" (*blind review*), The Estonian Philosophy Conference, Tallinn University of Technology, Jun. 2016.
- "Explanationism and Truthlike Explanations", Lake Geneva Biological Interest Group, Université de Genève, May 2016.
- "Beliefs and Explanations", Experience & Reason Research Group, Université de Fribourg, Sept. 2015.
- "Why aren't Beliefs Reducible to Credences?", Experience & Reason Research Group, Université de Fribourg, Jan. 2015.
- "Acceptances and Epistemic Rationality", Experience & Reason Research Group, Université de Fribourg, Nov. 2014.

AWARDS

Swiss National Science Foundation Starting Grants	Jan. 2026 - Dec. 2031
Understanding: Between Contents and Phenomena: 1'684'308 CHF	
UZH Postdoc Grant	May 2025 - Dec. 2025
Understanding: Between Contents and Phenomena: 187'393 CHF	
Swiss National Science Foundation Gold Open Access Publication Grant	Aug. 2022
Rational Understanding: From Explanation to Knowledge: 12'564 CHF	
Swiss National Science Foundation Early Postdoc Mobility	Feb. 2019 - Jul. 2020
Understanding What We Know: 99'775 CHF	
Swiss National Science Foundation Doc.CH	May 2014 - Apr. 2018
Différentes dimensions de notre vie épistémique : Acceptation, explication et influence de facteurs pragmatiques sur la connaissance: 268'808 CHF	

CONFERENCES ORGANISATION

Normativity and Reasons Oct. 2022

EXRE research group: funded by a CUSO grant (9844 CHF) and organized in collaboration with Sharon Casu.

The Epistemology of Understanding Oct. 2022

University of Zurich: funded by the SNSF project "Evidence: Knowledge and Understanding" and a Marie Gretler Stiftung grant (8600 CHF).

Epistemic and Practical Rationality: Differences, Similarities and Overlaps Feb. 2018

Université de Fribourg: funded by my Doc.CH grant.

Sujets conscients et rationnels en tant qu'entités biologiques Sept. 2017

EXRE research group: funded by a CUSO grant (11'120 CHF) and organized in collaboration with Julien Bugnon and Michal Haldky.

EDITORIAL ACTIVITY

L'Encyclopédie Philosophique Feb. 2016 - present

Member of the Reading Committee.

Dialectica Nov. 2015 - Nov. 2022

Member of the Editorial Committee.

REFEREEING

- Analysis, Asian Journal of Philosophy, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Dialectica, Episteme, International Studies in the Philosophy of Science, Mind, Philosophical Studies, Philosophical Topics, Ratio, Synthese, Theoria.

RESEARCH GROUP AFFILIATION

ACEPS Research Group May. 2023 - present

University of Johannesburg.

ZEGRa Research Group Apr. 2021 - present

University of Zurich.

COGITO Research Group Nov. 2019 - present

University of Glasgow.

Groupe de Recherche en Epistémologie (GRE)

Jun. 2018 - present

Collège de France.

Experience & Reason (EXRE)

Feb. 2013 - present

Université de Fribourg.