

# Alice van't Hoff

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**AREAS OF INTEREST**      **AOS:** Metaphysics, Social Philosophy  
**AOC:** Epistemology, Logic, Philosophy of Mind.

**EMPLOYMENT**      **University of Vienna (Universität Wien):**  
Postdoctoral Researcher with the Phlox Group 2024–2025.  
Project Lead: Benjamin Schnieder.

**EDUCATION**      **Princeton University:**  
PhD in Philosophy, 2018–2024.  
Dissertation: "On Ontological Innocence".  
Advisers: Harvey Lederman and Gideon Rosen.

**University of Arizona:**  
Enrolled in Philosophy PhD Program, 2015–2018.

**King's College London:**  
MA in Philosophy, 2014–2015.  
Distinction.

**University of Oxford:**  
MPhil in Political Theory, 2012–2014.  
Distinction.

**University of Cambridge:**  
BA (Hons) in History, 2009–2012.  
Starred First.

**PUBLICATIONS**      "Ways of Being Quantified", *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*,  
(forthcoming).  
"Much Ado about Ontological Nihilism", *Inquiry*, (2023), pp.1–27.  
"In Defense of Causal Eliminativism", *Synthese*, (2022), 200:5,  
pp.1–22.

**WORKS IN PROGRESS**      "Against Higher-order Unrestrictedness", under review.  
"Gender as Interpretation", under review.

**PRESENTATIONS**\*=*refereed*\*\*=*invited*

Commentator on Amie Thomasson, *Rethinking Metaphysics*, Book Workshop (Central European University). Vienna, Austria. March 2025.\*\*

“Kantian orientation contra fragmentalism”, Società Italiana di Filosofia Analitica Midterm Conference. Reggio Emilia, Italy. December 2024.\*

“Against Sider on Bare Particulars”, 45<sup>th</sup> International Wittgenstein Symposium. Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria. August 2024.\*

“Gender as Interpretation”, 5<sup>th</sup> Social Metaphysics Workshop (Rutgers University). New Jersey, USA. April 2024.\*

“Quantificational pluralism and (meta-)ontology”, Metaphysics Mayhem (Rutgers University). New Jersey, USA. July 2023.

“Identifying gender identity”, 4<sup>th</sup> Social Metaphysics Workshop (Duke University). North Carolina, USA. June 2023.\*

Commentator on Andrew Rubner, “Operational Explanations and Normal-Proper Functions”, APA Central Division. Illinois, USA. February 2022.

“Metaphysical Parsimony”, APA Eastern Division. Maryland, USA. January 2022.\*

“What is gender and what is gender identity?”, UT Austin Philosophy Graduate Conference. Texas, USA. April 2021.\*

“Internalism about Gender Identity”, Arizona Feminist Philosophy Graduate Conference. Arizona, USA. February 2020.\*

“In Defense of Ontological Nihilism”, Australasian Association of Philosophy. Wollongong, Australia. July 2019.

“Ideal Theory and Strategic Morality”, Brave New World Conference. Manchester, England. June 2017.\*

“Self-Ascription, Authenticity, and Autonomy”, Oxford Graduate Political Theory Workshop. Oxford, England. February 2014.

**SCHOLARSHIPS  
AND PRIZES**

2015–2018: PPEL Fellowship, University of Arizona.

2015: Simon Dally Award, King’s College London.

2014–2015: Peter Goldie Scholarship & King's College Masters Scholarship.

2012–2014: Arts and Humanities Research Council Masters Studentship, University of Oxford.

2012: Sir John Plumb Prize for History, Christ's College, University of Cambridge.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Lead Instructor

Metaontology (MA Course), University of Vienna, Summer 2025.

Material Objects and Formal Mereology (BA Course), University of Vienna, Summer 2025.

Philosophy of Logic: Logical Consequence (MA Course), University of Vienna, Winter 2024.

Epistemology and Logic: Introduction to Epistemic Logic (BA Course), University of Vienna, Winter 2024.

Phil 347: Neuroethics, University of Arizona, Summer 2018.

Phil 345: Philosophy and Psychiatry, University of Arizona, Summer 2017.

### Teaching Assistant

Phil 201: Introduction to Logic, Hans Halvorson. Princeton University, Spring 2021.

Phil 315: Philosophy of Mind, Ryan Cox. Princeton University, Fall 2020.

Phil 352: Philosophy of Bias, Grace Helton. Princeton University, Spring 2020.

Phil 160: Mind, Matter, God, J. Christopher Maloney. University of Arizona, Fall 2017.

Phil 150: Personal Morality, Michael Gill. University of Arizona, Fall 2016.

Phil 205: Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation, Guido Pinzione. University of Arizona, Fall 2015.

## **SERVICE**

### **Reviewer**

*Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Erkenntnis, Mind, Journal of Applied Philosophy*

### **Editorial Assistant**

*Social Philosophy & Policy*: Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018.  
*Philosophical Perspectives*: Spring 2017.

### **Departmental Service**

Coordinator and Organizer *Compass* workshop for underrepresented groups in philosophy. Princeton NJ. November 2023.

Graduate Representative for Minorities and Philosophy. Princeton University Philosophy Department. 2021–22.

Outreach Committee member. Princeton University Philosophy Department. 2021–22.

Mentor *Compass* workshop for underrepresented groups in philosophy. Princeton NJ. November 2021.

*March 2025*