

# TAMMO LOSSAU

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## EMPLOYMENT

2022-2023 Visiting Assistant Professor, Ashoka University

## EDUCATION

2015-2022 Ph.D., Johns Hopkins University

Dissertation: *"Knowledge First" and Its Limits*

Committee members:

Michael Williams (advisor), Richard Bett (second reader),  
William Egginton, Yi-Ping Ong, Elanor Taylor

2012-2015 Master of Arts, University of Göttingen · *with distinction*

*Fall 2014* Heythrop College, University of London · *exchange student*

2009-2012 Bachelor of Arts, University of Göttingen

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Epistemology (esp. Social and Political Epistemology), Philosophical  
Methodology

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Social Ontology, History of Analytic Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of  
Language, Philosophy of Religion

## PUBLICATIONS (PEER REVIEWED)

Mackie and the Meaning of Moral Terms. *Journal for the History of Analytic  
Philosophy* 10, 1 (2022), 1-13.

Knowledge and Cancelability. *Synthese* 199 (2021), 397-405.

Three Things to Do With Knowledge Ascriptions. *Episteme* 18, 1 (2021), 99-110.

"Putting the linguistic method in its place": Mackie's distinction between  
conceptual and factual analysis. *Logical Analysis and History of Philosophy* 22  
(2019), 92-105.

The Basis-Access Dilemma for Epistemological Disjunctivism. *Logos & Episteme*  
9, 2 (2018), 151-172.

Was heißt "sich vorstellen, eine andere Person zu sein"? *Grazer Philosophische  
Studien* 90 (2014), 307-316.

## PRESENTATIONS

- August 2022 *Is Knowledge a Social Kind?*, Social Ontology/Collective Intentionality 2022, University of Vienna.
- January 2022 “Unhinged” – *Wie Verschwörungserzählungen Evidenz aus den Angeln heben*, Wo liegt die Wahrheit? Verschwörungserzählungen und ihre Rezeption, University of Augsburg (online, in German).
- January 2022 “What is religion?” as a structuring question for inclusive syllabi, AAPT-APA Teaching Hub, Eastern Division meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Baltimore (online).
- October 2021 *The Significance of Agreement Despite Irrelevant Factors*, Agreement and Disagreement Beyond Ethics and Epistemology, University of Kent (online).
- July 2020 *Craigian Functionalism and Grounding Epistemic Rights*, Social Ontology 2020, University of Geneva (online).
- June 2019 “Putting the linguistic method in its place”: Mackie’s distinction between conceptual and factual analysis, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of the History of Analytic Philosophy, Boston University.
- March 2019 *Inferences as the Subject of Epistemology*, North Carolina Philosophical Society Conference, UNC Greensboro.
- August 2017 *What I Talk About When I Talk About Knowledge*, European Congress of Analytic Philosophy 9, Munich University.
- July 2017 *Knowledge and Conversation*, Tübingen Masterclass in Theoretical Philosophy 2017 with Jonathan Schaffer.
- May 2014 *Epistemically Rigid Expressions*, 13<sup>th</sup> Göttinger Philosophisches Kolloquium with David Chalmers.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

- Spring 2022 Dean’s Teaching Fellowship  
School-wide teaching fellowship.
- Fall 2021 David Sachs Fellowship  
Departmental dissertation completion fellowship
- Fall 2020 Dean’s Teaching Fellowship  
School-wide teaching fellowship.
- 2020 Finalist for the Excellence In Teaching Awards  
at the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences, Johns Hopkins.
- 2016 & 2019 Miller Prize  
Departmental essay prize.
- 2014 Erasmus Scholarship  
Scholarship funding a semester abroad at Heythrop College, London.
- 2013 GAP Essay Prize (first prize)  
Essay competition of the German Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP) for philosophy students · Prize question: *Can I imagine being a different person?*
- 2011-13 Deutschlandstipendium (“Germany Scholarship”)  
Federal scholarship based on student performance.

## TEACHING

### At Ashoka University

*Spring 2023*  
*(scheduled)* Foundations Course: Mind & Behavior

Introduction to Logic

*Fall 2022* Foundations Course: Mind & Behavior

Philosophy of Religion: Historical Perspectives

### At Johns Hopkins University

(only courses taught as primary instructor listed here)

*Spring 2022* Problems with Knowledge, Evidence, and Action

*Fall 2020* Themes from the Philosophy of Religion

*Winter 2020* Do we have souls? If so, what are they?

*Winter 2019* Wittgenstein and the Limits of our World · co-taught with Itai Marom

*Winter 2018* Belief in God

*Summer 2017* Philosophical Intuitions

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2020-2022 Sustainability Leadership Council, Johns Hopkins  
Promoting sustainability initiatives within the university.

*November 2021* Ethics Bowl  
Judge at the Northeastern regional competition.

*August 2021* JHU Teaching Assistant Orientation  
Section facilitator.

2018-2019 Department Colloquium Chair, Hammond Society  
Chairing the committee organizing the Philosophy Department's 2019/20  
colloquium.

2016-2017 Society Colloquia Chair, Hammond Society  
Organizing the weekly graduate student colloquium.

2015-2016 Representative at the Graduate Council, Johns Hopkins

*May 2014* 13<sup>th</sup> Göttinger Philosophisches Kolloquium  
"Masterclass"-style workshop with David Chalmers; main organizer.

2011-2015 Round Table Philosophy, University of Göttingen  
Series of talks by philosophy students from the department; co-organizer.

*Reviewer* *Acta Analytica, Erkenntnis, Philosophical Papers.*

## REFERENCES

Michael Williams (Ph.D. advisor)  
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