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Employment

Since March 2019	Associate Professor of Philosophy, Yonsei University
03/2017-02/2019	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yonsei University, Underwood International College, Seoul/Incheon, South Korea
10/2014-02/2017	Postdoctoral Research Associate in Philosophy & Divinity, University of Cambridge, UK; Postdoctoral Bye-Fellowship at Murray Edwards College
08/2013-05/2014	Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion, Indiana, USA
10/2010-08/2013	Postdoctoral Research Associate (Collaboratrice Scientifique), University of Geneva

Education

2010	D.Phil. in Philosophy, St. Hugh's College, University of Oxford, Supervisor Dr. Oliver Pooley
2004-2006	B.Phil. (two-year Master's degree) in Philosophy, University of Oxford: Philosophy of Science/Philosophy of Physics, Metaphysics and Theory of Knowledge, Rise of Modern Logic
2000-2004	B.A. and M.Sci. in Physics (Physical Natural Sciences), Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge Part IA: I - Physics, Mathematics, Biology of Cells, Materials Science Part IB: I - Advanced Physics, Mathematics Part II: I - Experimental and Theoretical Physics, with emphasis on Theoretical Physics Part III: I - Project on the History of Quantum Mechanics, Supervisor Prof. M. Longair

Doctoral Dissertation

Title	<i>Time, Experience, and the A versus B debate</i>
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Abstract	I defend the B-theory of time from the challenge arising from temporal experience and develop a minimalist view of temporal passage as temporal succession. The B-theory can accommodate a largely veridical sense of the present as (in various senses) special, and a wholly veridical sense of time as passing.
Supervisor	Prof. Oliver Pooley (Oxford); Secondary Supervisor Prof. Gonzalo Rodriguez-Pereyra (Oxford)
Examiners	Prof. Antony Eagle (Adelaide) and Prof. Robin Le Poidevin (Leeds)

Awards & Grants

2019	Yonsei University Outstanding Research Award
2017-2020	Yonsei University Future-Leading Research Grant (KRW 10,000,000/\$8000 per year)
2017	Yonsei University New Faculty Research Seed funding Grant (KRW 10,000,000/\$8000)
2009-2010	Jacobson Fellowship, Royal Institute of Philosophy
2005-2008	Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) Doctoral Award
2007	German National Merit Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes) Doctoral Award (Promotionsstipendium)
2004-2005	AHRC Master's Degree Award
2000-2004	Murray Edwards Scholarship (Class I), University of Cambridge, UK
2000-2005	German National Merit Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes) Award (Stipendium)

Publications (full texts on <http://nataljadeng.weebly.com>)

Book:

God and Time (2019), Cambridge University Press Elements Series
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/elements/god-and-time/26FD83E3E89BD8814A71E89DE9AE05A4>

Papers (not listing work in progress):

‘Plenty to come: making sense of Correia and Rosenkranz’s growing block’, for a book symposium on *Nothing to come: a defence of the growing block theory of time*, by F. Correia and S. Rosenkranz (2019, Springer), *Disputatio*, submitted July 2020 (4075 words)

‘On metaphysical explanations of psychological asymmetries’, for *Temporal Asymmetries in Philosophy and Psychology*, ed. by C. Hoerl, T. McCormack and A. Fernandes, OUP, revised version to be submitted Nov. 2020 (7292 words)

‘What Quine (and Carnap) might say about contemporary metaphysics of time’ (forthcoming), *Quine, Structure, and Ontology*, ed. by Frederique Janssen-Lauret, OUP

‘On timelessness and mystery’ (forthcoming), *The Divine Nature: Personal and A-personal Perspectives*, Routledge Studies in the Philosophy of Religion, ed. by S. Kittle and G. Gasser

- ‘Agnosticism and fictionalism: reply to Le Poidevin’ (2020), *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 12/3: 183
- ‘Religion for Naturalists and the Meaning of Belief’ (2019), *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 11/3: 157-174
- ‘One thing after another: why the passage of time is not an illusion’ (2019), *The Illusions of Time: Philosophical and Psychological Essays on Timing and Time-Perception*, Palgrave, ed. by A. Bardon, A. Vatakis, S. Power, and V. Arstila
- ‘Religion für Naturalisten’ (2019), *Handbuch Analytische Religionsphilosophie*, Metzler, ed. by K. Viertbauer and G. Gasser
- ‘On ‘Experiencing time’: response to Simon Prosser’ (OUP 2016)’ (2018), *Inquiry* 61/3: 281-301
- ‘Time, Metaphysics of’ (2018), *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, <https://www.rep.routledge.com/articles/thematic/time-metaphysics-of/v-3>
- ‘Eternity in Christian Thought’ (2018), *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/fall2018/entries/eternity/>>
- ‘What is temporal ontology?’ (2018), *Philosophical Studies* 175/3: 793-807
- ‘Making sense of the growing block view’ (2017), *Philosophia* 45/3: 1113-1127
- ‘Metaphysics, science, and religion: a response to Hud Hudson’ (2017), *Journal of Analytic Theology* 5/1: 613-620
- ‘Temporal Experience and the A versus B debate’, *Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Temporal Experience* (2017), ed. by I. Phillips
- ‘Acknowledgement and the Paradox of Tragedy’, with Daan Evers (2016), *Philosophical Studies* 173/2: 337-350
- ‘Response to ‘Fear of death and the symmetry argument’’ (2016), *Manuscrito*, Special Issue on Time and Reality (Part I) 39/4: 297-304
- ‘Reply to Jeffrey Bishop’ (2016), *Studies in Christian Ethics* 29/3: 269-271
- ‘On whether B-theoretic Atheists should Fear Death’ (2015), *Philosophia* 43/4: 1011-1021
- ‘How A-theoretic deprivationists should respond to Lucretius’ (2015), *Journal of the American Philosophical Association* 1/3: 417-432
- ‘Religion for Naturalists’ (2015), *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 78/2: 195-214
- ‘On Explaining Why Time Seems to Pass’ (2013), *Southern Journal of Philosophy* 51/3: 367-382

‘Our Experience of Passage on the B-theory’ (2013), *Erkenntnis* 78/4: 713-726

‘Fine’s McTaggart, Temporal Passage, and the A versus B debate’ (2013), *Ratio* 26/1: 19-34

‘Questions about ‘Internal and External Questions about God’’ (2012), *Religious Studies* 48/2: 257-268

‘Beyond A- and B-time’ Reconsidered’ (2010), *Philosophia* 38/4: 741-753

Book Reviews:

‘Review of David Ingram’s ‘Thisness Presentism’’, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, <https://ndpr.nd.edu/news/thisness-presentism-an-essay-on-time-truth-and-ontology/>

‘Does physics make us free?’ (2017), Review of J. T. Ismael ‘How physics makes us free’ (OUP 2016), with Klaas Landsman, *Metascience* 26/1: 127-130

‘Review of ‘Debates in the Metaphysics of time’, ed. by Nathan Oaklander’ (2015), *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science* 29/3: 340-344

Teaching

Upper Division Courses Yonsei University: *Metaphysics: Self, Identity and Free Will* (UIC Seminar); *Topics in Philosophy of Science* (UIC seminar) (since 03/2020)

Lower Division Courses Yonsei University: *World Philosophy: Philosophy in the East and West*; *World Philosophy: Science, Religion and Metaphysics - A Themed Introduction to Philosophy*; *Critical Reasoning* (since 03/2017)

Block Summer Seminar ‘Zeit und Zeiterfahrung’, University of Innsbruck, 06/2018

Lecturer for Part II *Philosophy of Space and Time*, Part IB *Philosophy of Modern Physics*, and Part IA *Metaphysics (Existence of God/Problem of Evil)* (University of Cambridge, 2016)

Lecturer for IA *Metaphysics (Existence of God/Problem of Evil)*; Supervisor for Part II *Metaphysics*, Examiner for Part IB *Philosophy of Science* (University of Cambridge, 2015)

Convener MA Eidos Seminar, *Problems of Metaphysics* (University of Geneva, 2011-2)

Convener MA Seminar, *Ontology and Metaphysics* (University of Geneva, 2011)

Convener BA Seminar, *Philosophy of Time* (University of Geneva, 2011)

Lecturer at Oriel College, *General Philosophy, Knowledge and Reality* (University of Oxford, 2010)

Teaching Assistant St. Hugh's College, *Logic* (University of Oxford, 2009)
Lecturer at New College, *General Philosophy, Knowledge and Reality* (University of Oxford, 2009)

Teaching Assistant at St. Hugh's College, *Logic* (University of Oxford, 2009)

Teaching Assistant at New College, *Logic* (University of Oxford, 2008)

Lecturer at New College, *Logic, Knowledge and Reality, and General Philosophy* (University of Oxford, 2007)

Teaching Assistant at New College, *Logic* (University of Oxford, 2007)

Talks

Invited:

- Upcoming Zoom workshop 'Analytic Philosophy of Religion in Asia', National Taiwan University, Nov 16-18 2020
Keynote speech at 7th Annual conference of the International Association for Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Summer 2021 [to be confirmed]
Conference on 'Physics, time and agency', University of Dublin, 30 June-July 1, 2021
Workshop 'Fictionalism', July 12-14, 2021, Victoria University of Wellington
- 08/2019 Workshop 'God and Time III', Institute of Philosophy of Lugano, 'On timelessness and mystery'
- 03/2019 Workshop on 'Gott – Welt – Beziehung. Relationale Ontologien auf dem Prüfstand', Katholische Akademie Wolfsburg in Mülheim an der Ruhr, March 2019, 'Zeitlosigkeit und die Grenzen der Theologie'
- 08/2018 University of Innsbruck, 'On mystery, timelessness, and being apersonal'
- 06/2018 University of Innsbruck, 'What is Temporal Ontology'
- 05/2018 Workshop on 'Time and the Observer', UC San Diego, Panel on 'What can experience teach us about the physics/metaphysics of time?', with Akiko Frischhut, Jenann Ismael, and Anthony Aguirre
- 02/2018 'What is temporal ontology?', Workshop on Temporal Asymmetries - Insights from Philosophy and Psychology, Warwick
- 01/2018 Institute of Philosophy, School of Advanced Study, London, 'What is temporal ontology?'
- 11/2017 Eidos Centre for Metaphysics 10 year Celebration, Geneva, 'What is temporal ontology?'
- 10/2017 Oxford, Workshop on Fine-Tuning Arguments, 'What kind of a fine-tuner?'
- 07/2017 Syracuse, Philosophy Annual Workshop and Network (SPAWN) 'Making sense of the growing block view'
- 08/2017 Bonn, Workshop on 'God and Time', 'Eternity'
- 03/2017 'Temporal experience and the A versus B debate', Workshop on Temporal Experience, Memory, and Imagination: Insights from Philosophy and Psychology, Warwick

12/2016	‘Does temporal ontology exist?’, MetaMetaphysical Club, Rotterdam
11/2016	‘Religion for Naturalists’, Centre for Philosophy of Religion Seminar, Leeds
10/2016	‘Does temporal ontology exist?’, Serious Metaphysics Group, Cambridge
10/2016	‘Can cosmological fine-tuning constitute an argument for God’s existence?’, Ely Templeton World Charity Foundation public event
09/2016	‘Does temporal ontology exist?’ Centre of Time workshop on ‘Presentism’, Milan
06/2016	‘Philosophical questions about the arrow of time’, History and Philosophy of Physics conference St. Cross College Oxford, ‘The Nature of Time’
05/2016	‘In defense of veridicalism’, New directions in the study of the mind, Cambridge
04/2016	Manchester workshop on ‘Religion without belief’, ‘Religion for Naturalists’
02/2016	Royal Institute of Philosophy Seminar Series, Nottingham, ‘Does time seem to pass?’
02/2016	Butler Society, Oxford, ‘Religion for Naturalists’
01/2016	Cambridge Philosophy of Science (CamPoS) group ‘Does time seem to pass?’
11/2015	London School of Economics, Sigma Club, ‘Passage and temporal experience’
10/2015	Glasgow, Senior Seminar, ‘Philosophy of time meets philosophy of death’
05/2014	Stockholm, Seminar in Practical Philosophy: ‘Passage- Induced Value Loss: An A-theoretic Answer to Lucretius’
05/2015	Cambridge, Serious Metaphysics Group: ‘Religion for Atheists’
10/2014	Kent, Departmental Seminar in Philosophy: ‘A- theories, the deprivation theory, and the symmetry problem’
11/2013	Notre Dame, Center for Philosophy of Religion, ‘A Limited Defense of Religious Fictionalism’
09/2013	Barcelona, PERSP workshop on the As and Bs in the Philosophy of Time, ‘Fine’s McTaggart, Temporal Passage, and the A versus B debate’
04/2013	Basel, Philosophisches Seminar, ‘Die Natur der Zeit und das Übel des Todes’

Refereed Contributions:

Upcoming	20 th UK and European Foundations of Physics Meeting, 2021 [to be confirmed], ‘On moving past the ABCs’
06/219	6 th Annual Conference of the International Association for Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Boulder, Colorado & 93 rd Joint Session Durham, UK, ‘On moving past the ABCs’
11/2018	Osaka City University, ‘What is temporal ontology?’
08/2018	Joint Session 2018, Oxford, ‘A normative approach to temporal ontology’
07/2018	19 th UK and European Foundations of Physics Meeting, Utrecht, ‘What is Temporal Ontology’
08/2017	European Congress of Analytic Philosophy (ECAP) 9, Munich, ‘What is temporal ontology?’

- 07/2017 Joint Session 2017, Edinburgh, ‘Does temporal ontology exist?’
06/2017 4th Annual Conference of the International Association for
Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Gargnano, Italy, ‘In defense of
veridicalism’
04/2017 Pacific APA 2017, Seattle ‘Does temporal ontology exist?’
09/2016 Conference for Contemporary Philosophy in East Asia, Seoul, ‘Does
time seem to pass?’
09/2016 Society for Metaphysics in Science (SMS), Geneva, ‘Does time seem
to pass?’
07/2016 ‘Does time seem to pass?’ Cardiff Joint Session 2016
03/2016 Pacific APA philosophy of time session, ‘In defense of veridicalism’
09/2105 Oxford, British Society for Philosophy of Religion Annual
Conference, ‘What hiddenness doesn’t teach us’
05/2015 Hull, The Philosophy and Theology of Immortality, ‘On whether B-
theoretic atheists should fear death’
04/2104 San Diego, Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical
Association: ‘Burley and Le Poidevin on whether B-theorists should
fear death’
07/2013 Exeter, Joint Session, ‘Acknowledgement and the Pleasures of
Tragedy’
05/2012 SOPHA (La Société de Philosophie Analytique) International
Conference, Paris: ‘An Interpretation and Defense of Fine’s
‘Argument From Passage’’
03/2012 Leuven, Annual Meeting of the Dutch Association of Aesthetics:
‘Acknowledgement and the Paradox of Tragedy’
09/2011 Milan, Seventh European Congress of Analytic Philosophy: ‘Fine’s
McTaggart, Temporal Passage, and the A versus B debate’
06/2008 Birmingham, ‘Time and Consciousness’: ‘A B- Theoretic Account of
Our Experience of the Present’
08/2007 Bergamo, ‘Metaphysics of Time’: ‘A B-Theoretic Account of Our
Experience of the Present’

Comments & Replies:

- 06/2019 6th Annual Conference of the International Association for
Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Boulder, Colorado, Comment on
‘Norton’s Objective Temporal Passage’ by Kyley Ewing
09/2018 Society for Metaphysics in Science (SMS), Milan, Comment on ‘The
Special Intuition Question’ by Helen Zhao
09/2016 Society for Metaphysics in Science (SMS), Geneva, Comment on
‘Classical Motion and Instantaneous Velocity’ by Casey McCoy
07/2015 Comment for Prof. Marenbon’s conference on ‘Immateriality,
Thinking and the Self in the Long Middle Ages’, Cambridge
05/2015 Towards a Contemporary Art of Dying, ‘Metaphysics and Medicine:
Reply to Jeffrey Bishop’, Cambridge
02/2014 Central Meeting of the American Philosophical Association,
Chicago: Comment on ‘Temporal Passage and Events in Progress’ by
Nick Kroll

Languages

German (Native), English (Main Working Language), French (Intermediate),

Dutch (intermediate), Latin (Basic - Reading), Korean (Beginner)

Professional Service

2020-2023	President of the Philosophy of Time Society (PTS), one of the constituent groups of the IAPT; 2017-2020: Secretary of PTS
2020-2023	Member of the <i>Religious Studies</i> Editorial Board
Since 2020	Member of the <i>Philosophical Analysis</i> (De Gruyter) Advisory Board
Since 2020	Associate Editor of the <i>European Journal for Philosophy of Religion</i>
Since 2020	Member of the Centre for Time, University of Sydney
2020	Member of the Program Committees for the 2020 annual conferences of the British Society for Philosophy of Science (BSPS), Kent, and the International Association for Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Barcelona
2019	Member of the Program Committees for the 2019 annual conferences of the British Society for Philosophy of Science (BSPS), Durham, the Society for the Metaphysics of Science (SMS), Toronto, and the International Association for Philosophy of Time (IAPT), Boulder
2018	Local Organizer of the fifth annual IAPT conference, Seoul, South Korea
2016	Organizer of the TWCF Workshop ‘Time and Religion’, University of Cambridge
2010-present	Referee for <i>Mind</i> , <i>Synthese</i> , <i>Journal of Philosophy</i> , <i>Philosophical Quarterly</i> , <i>Philosophy of Science</i> , <i>Foundations of Physics</i> , <i>Philosophy and Phenomenological Research</i> , <i>Erkenntnis</i> , <i>Philosophical Studies</i> , <i>Ratio</i> , <i>Dialectica</i> , <i>Journal of the American Philosophical Association</i> , <i>Australasian Journal of Philosophy</i> , <i>Logique et Analyse</i> , <i>Foundations of Science</i> , <i>Topoi</i> , <i>International Studies in Philosophy of Science</i> , <i>Journal of Philosophical Research</i> , <i>Southern Journal of Philosophy</i> , <i>Philosophical Papers</i> , <i>Theoria</i> , <i>European Journal for Philosophy of Religion</i> , <i>Faith and Philosophy</i>
2010-2013	Member of the <i>Dialectica</i> Editorial Committee
Oct. 2011	Co-Organizer ‘Time and Explanation’ Conference, University of Geneva, with Fabrice Correia, Emiliano Boccardi, and Ghislain Guigon
2009/10	Junior Dean, St. Hugh’s College, University of Oxford
2007/8	Assistant to Dr. Corine Besson and Prof. Paolo Crivelli for Undergraduate Admissions (University of Oxford)

Referees

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