

## CV – MARION GODMAN

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**Nationality:** Swedish & Canadian

**Languages:** English & Swedish: bilingual

Finnish & French: basic

### EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Political Science Department, Aarhus University	2021-27
Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Aarhus University ( <i>Maternity leave, September 2018-August 2019</i> )	2020- 21
Researcher, Academy of Finland CoE Philosophy of Social Science, Helsinki Univ.	2012-18
Research & Teaching Associate, HPS, Cambridge University, UK,	2013-15
Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute of Philosophy, University of London, UK	2012
Research Assistant, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden	2006-07

### EDUCATION

PhD, Philosophy, King's College London (KCL), UK Thesis: <i>Human Kinds and Other Natural Kinds</i> (passed without corrections) Supervisor: David Papineau; Examiners: Richard Samuels & Sarah Patterson	2007-12
Phil. Lic., Philosophy, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden	2007-09
MA, Theoretical Philosophy Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden	2006-07
BA, Theoretical Philosophy, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden	2006

### AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated scholar, History and Philosophy of Science, Cambridge University	2016-
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### AWARDS & PROJECT GRANTS

<i>Political Science Teaching Award</i> (Aarhus University) joint award with 3 co-lecturers	2025
<i>PIREAU Seed funding</i> (Aarhus University) (100,000 DKK) Jointly w/ Nicholas Haas	2024
<i>Sapere Aude Research Leader</i> (€ 767.000) "Social membership and cultural rights" Independent Research Fund Denmark. Principal Investigator/Sole applicant	2020-23
<i>Center of Excellence for the Experimental-Philosophical Study of Discrimination</i> (€ 8,4 million) Independent Research Fund Denmark, Co-applicant w/ Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen (PI).	2020-26
<i>Nordic Exploratory Workshop Series "Types of reactivity in the human sciences"</i> (€41,000) Nordic Research Councils (NOS-HS). Jointly w/ Caterina Marchionni & Julie Zahle	2019-21
<i>Science and Culture Exploratory Award "Neuroscience, law and responsibility"</i> (€30,000) Arts and Humanities Research Council, UK. Co-applicant with Helen Beebee (PI)	2012
<i>European platform network grant "Pre-reflective &amp; reflective processes of social interaction"</i> (€ 92,100) Volkswagen Stiftung, Germany. Jointly with five other researchers	2012-14
<i>King's College London Teaching Fellow</i> UK	2009
<i>Doctoral Award</i> (€ 28,380, EU citizen fees-only) Arts & Humanities Research Council, UK	2007-11
<i>Doctoral Award</i> (€ 31,000) Signhild Engkvist Stiftelse (Foundation of Signhild Engkvist), Sweden	2007-11
<i>Susan Stebbing Studentship</i> (€ 1100) Department of Philosophy, King's College London, UK	2007-11

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Research Monographs (peer-reviewed)

*Under contract:* Godman M (first author) and Nicholas Haas, *A Philosophy of Science of Race and Ethnicity*, Cambridge Elements in Philosophy of Science, Cambridge University Press.

(32) Godman, M. (2020) *The Epistemology and Morality of Human Kinds*. Routledge: Abingdon Oxon.

## Peer reviewed journal articles

- (31) Godman, M. (forthcoming) “On the very concept of discrimination: Toward a radical publicity of normative theorizing” *Res Publica*. DOI: 10.1007/s11158-025-09733-y
- (30) Godman, M. (forthcoming) “Why multiculturalism is good for women” *Ethnicities* DOI: 10.1177/14687968251362252
- (29) Godman, M and M. Bellander (forthcoming) “Latent variables, psychological constructs, and the prospect of scientific kinds in psychology” *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* DOI: [10.1086/733192](https://doi.org/10.1086/733192)
- (28) Godman, M & R.P Garner (2024) “A Troubled Inheritance: Overcoming the Temporality Problem in Cases of Historical Injustice” *Journal of Social Philosophy* DOI: 10.1111/josp.12582
- (27) Marchionni, C. Zahle, J. & M. Godman (2024) ”Reactivity in the human sciences” *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 14 (8) <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13194-024-00571-y>.
- (26) Godman, M., & Marchionni, C. (2022). What should scientists do about (harmful) interactive effects?. *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 12(4), 63.
- (25) Godman, M. (2022). Eyeing up life’s social instincts. *Philosophical Psychology*, 35(8), 1264-66.
- (24) Godman, M. (2021) Scientific realism with historical essences: the case of species. *Synthese* 198, 3041–3057.
- (23) Godman, M, Mallozzi, A & D. Papineau (2020) “Essential properties are super-explanatory: Taming metaphysical Modality”, *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, 6(3), 316-334.
- (22) Godman, M. (2018) “Gender as a Historical Kind: A Tale of Two Genders?”, *Biology and Philosophy* 33: 21.
- (21) Godman, M. & Jefferson, A. (2017) “On Blaming and Punishing Psychopaths”, *Criminal Law and Philosophy*. 11(1), 127–142.
- (20) Godman, M. (2015) ”The Special Science Dilemma and How Culture Solves It”, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 93(3), 491-508.
- (19) Godman, M., Nagatsu, M. and M. Salmela (2014)“The Social Motivation Hypothesis for Pro-social Behaviour” *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, 44(5), 563–587.
- (18) Godman, M. (2013) “Why we do things together: The Social Motivation for Joint Action”. *Philosophical Psychology*, 26 (4), 588-603
- (17) Godman, M. & Kingma, E. (2013) “Interdisciplinary Workshop in the Philosophy of Medicine”, *Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice*, 19, 564-571.
- (16) Godman, M. (2013) “Psychiatric Disorders *qua* Natural Kinds: The Case of the ‘Apathetic Children’”. *Biological Theory*, 7 (2), 144-152
- (15) Carlsen, H., Dreborg, K., Godman, M., Hansson, S.O., Johansson, L. & Wikman-Svahn. P.(2010) “Assessing Socially Disruptive Technological Change” *Technology in Society*, 32 (3): 209-218.
- (14) Godman, M. & Hansson, S.O. (2009) “European public advice on nanobiotechnology – Four convergence seminars”, *Nanoethics*, 3(1): 43-59.
- (13) Godman, M. (2008) “But is it unique to nanotechnology? Reframing nanoethics”, *Science and Engineering Ethics*, 14(3): 391-403.

## Book chapters and non-peer review articles

- (12) Godman, M. (2025) “The Nordic Racial Hygiene Studies: Science, Interactivity and Cultural Domination” *Philosophical Perspectives on Cultural Domination*, Edited by Thomas Besch, Harold Kincaid, Tarun Menon and Raphael van Riel. New York: Routledge, pp. 60-77.
- (11) Godman, M. (2024) “Varför är det fel att diskriminera och hur ska vi angripa frågan?” *Filosofisk Tidskrift*, 3, pp. 22-34.
- (10) Godman, M (2021) “Alzheimer’s disease and relationships of value” *Think-Philosophy for Everyone*. 20(57), 39 -51
- (9) Godman, M and D. Papineau (2020) “Species have historical not intrinsic essences” in A. Bianchi (Ed.), *Language and Reality from a Naturalistic Perspective: Themes from Michael Devitt* (pp. 355-367) Cham: Springer Press.
- (8) Godman, M. (2019) “A Modern Synthesis in Philosophy of Biology” in K. Becker & I. Thomson (eds.), *History of Philosophy, 1945 to 2015*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 210-20.
- (7) Godman, M. (2018) “Should Individuals With Psychopathy be Compensated for their Fearlessness? Or How Neuroscience Matters for Equality” in B. Donnelly-Lazarov (ed.), *NeuroLaw and Responsibility for Action: Concepts, Crimes and Courts*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 228-43.
- (6) Godman, M. (2016) “Cultural syndromes: Socially learned but real” *Filosofia Unisinos*, 17(2), 185-91.
- (5) Godman M. (2016) ”Möjliga Träskindividers Omöjliga Medlemskap” in I. Niiniluoto, T. Tahko & T. Toppinen (eds.), *Mahdollisuus/Möjlighet*, Helsingfors: Filosofiska Föreningen i Finland, 87–93. (Trans. from Swedish: “Possible swamp individuals; impossible membership”)

## Book reviews

- (5) Godman, M. (2024) ‘Pieter R Adriaens and Andreas de Block’s *Of Maybugs and Men: A History and Philosophy of the Sciences of Homosexuality*’, *BJPS Review of Books*, 2024
- (4) Godman, M. (2017) “Review of Thomas W. Polger & Lawrence A. Shapiro’s *The Multiple Realization Book*“, *BJPS Review of Books*, 2017
- (2) Godman, M. (2014) Book review of P.D Magnus’ *Scientific Inquiry and Natural Kinds*“, *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*, 28 (3), 1–4.
- (1) Godman, M. (2014) Book Review of Neil Levy’s *Hard Luck: How Luck Undermines Free Will and Moral Responsibility*“, *Analysis*, 74 (1): 86-88.

## RECENT PRESENTATIONS (a selection)

### Keynotes

- “Why multiculturalism isn’t bad for women”  
*European Culture and Society & European Studies Winter Lecture*, Europa-Universität Flensburg 2024
- “Why you are who you are: Using historical kinds to explain social identities”  
*European Network for the Philosophy of Social Sciences*, Malaga, Spain 2022
- “The virtues of historical thinking in the social sciences”  
*Workshop on the epistemology, metaphysics, and semantics of human kinds*, KU Leuven 2018

### Peer-Reviewed Presentations (PRP); Invited Speaker (IS)

- “National Communities are Dependent on Social Lineages and not on States”  
*National Identity in a Time of Crisis*, Center for Ethics in Public Affairs, Armenia (PRP) 2025

“Should data on ethnicity be collected in Europe? A philosophical-experimental approach” w/ Nicholas Haas	
<i>European Society of Philosophy of Science Biannual meeting</i> , Groningen, the Netherlands (PRP)	2025
<i>British Society for Philosophy of Science Annual meeting</i> , Glasgow UK (PRP)	2025
<i>Helsinki Institute for Social Sciences &amp; Humanities Brown Bag Seminar</i> , Helsinki (IS)	2025
“Identity or Inductive potential? Human categories at the cross-roads.”	
<i>Philosophy colloquium</i> , Stockholm University, Sweden (IS)	2025
“The Nordic Racial Hygiene Studies: Science and Cultural Domination”	
<i>Centre for Science Studies Colloquium</i> , Aarhus University( IS)	2025
<i>Intersectionality and topics in Philosophy of Social Science</i> , University of Cape Town (IS)	2023
“On being a target of discrimination” (with Jens Jørund Tyssedal)	
<i>Gothenburg Joint Philosophy Seminar</i> , Gothenburg, Sweden (IS)	2024
<i>Cambridge Philosophy of Science Seminar (CAMPOS)</i> Cambridge, UK (IS)	2023
<i>European Consortium for Political Research</i> , Prague, Czech Republic (PR)	2023
<i>European Society of Philosophy of Science</i> , Belgrade, Serbia (PR)	2023
“Why multiculturalism is good for women”	
<i>Philosophy Colloquium</i> , Central European University (IS)	2023
<i>Philosophy Colloquium</i> , Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), Madrid (IS)	2022
<i>Multicultural citizenship, 25 years later</i> , Université Paris 1, Panthéon Sorbonne (PRP)	2021
Psychological Kinds in the Mind? (with Martin Bellander)	
<i>Kinds in the Mind conference</i> , London School of Economics, UK (IS)	2022
<i>Philosophy of Science seminar</i> , Helsinki University, Finland (IS)	2017
<i>British Society for Philosophy of Science conference</i> , Cardiff, Wales (PRP)	2016
<i>Nordic Network for Philosophy of Science meeting</i> , Pärnu, Estonia (PRP)	2016
“The virtues of historical thinking in the social sciences “	
<i>European Society for the Philosophy of Social science</i> , Symposium, Turin university, Italy (PRP)	2021
<i>Seminar at Interdisciplinary Research Lab on Cognition, Values and Behaviour</i> LMU, Munich (IS)	2021
<i>Natural kind workshop</i> , Rijeka University (IS & online presentation)	2021
“Multiple Realization for the Life Sciences”	
<i>British Society for Philosophy of Science conference</i> , Durham (PRP)	2019
“Semi-persistent objects: Remarks on Kinds and Individuals as space-time worms”	
<i>Workshop on Metaphysics and Formal Ontology</i> , Tampere University (IS)	2018
“Historical essences and scientific realism: the case of species”	
<i>Philosophy Society</i> , Lund University Lund Sweden (IS)	2018
<i>Biannual Philosophy of Science Association</i> , Atlanta, USA (PRP)	2016
<i>Congress for Logic, Methodology &amp; Philosophy of Science</i> , Helsinki University (PRP)	2015
<i>International Society for History, Sociology &amp; Philosophy of Biology</i> , Montreal (PRP)	2015
<i>European Philosophy of Science Association conference</i> , Helsinki, Finland (PRP)	2013
“Parsimony and species essentialism”	
<i>Sober’s simplicity Workshop</i> , Copenhagen University (IS)	2017
“In what sense, if any, is gender not a natural kind?”	
<i>Philosophy colloquium</i> , Tartu University, Estonia (IS)	2017
<i>Philosophy colloquium</i> , Copenhagen University	2017
<i>Royal Institute of Philosophy lecture</i> , Roehampton University (IS)	2014
<i>Women, Truth and Action</i> , University of Helsinki, Finland (PRP)	2013

## **PEDAGOGICAL SUMMARY** (for more information, please consult my Teaching portfolio)

### **PhD supervision**

*PhD supervisor (secondary):* MJ Balezina “Transgender and discrimination” 2023-25  
Department of Political Science, Aarhus University  
*PhD Advisory committee* for Päivi Seppälä, (Philosophy, Helsinki University) 2021-  
Department of Political and Economic Studies, Helsinki University

### **Master’s thesis students**

Political Science department, Aarhus University 2021-  
*Master’s thesis students (5 students)*  
History and Philosophy of Science department, Cambridge University 2013-2014  
*MPhil/Part III (Research Master’s programmes) Supervisor for Bsc/M.Sc. students (6 students)*  
*Internal and External Examiner for MPhil/Part III and Part II programmes*

### **Lecturing**

Political Science department, Aarhus University  
*Summer course Philosophy of Race (20 credits)* 2024  
*Videnskabsteori/Philosophy of Social Science: Undergraduate 16 lectures (Danish/English)* 2021-  
*Multiculturalism and immigration: Bachelor seminar 13 lectures (Danish/English)* 2021

Politics & Economic Studies department, Helsinki University,  
*Hur bör vi kategorisera människor? 13 lectures (in Swedish on Human kinds)* 2016  
*Philosophy of Social Science 12 lectures (in English with Sonja Amadae),* 2016  
*Science, Values and Society, 13 lectures, (in English)* 2013

History and Philosophy of Science department, Cambridge University 2013-2014  
*Theory & Evidence (IB, Natural Sciences/Philosophy tripod option), 8 lectures*  
*Philosophy of Biology (IB, Natural Sciences/Philosophy tripod option), 8 lectures*  
*Metaphysics of Science: The Challenge from Biology (HPS, Part II students), 8 lectures*  
*Bioethics (HPS, Part II students), 4 lectures*  
*Ethics of Medicine (Biological and Biomedical Sciences students), 4 lectures*  
*Evidence and Observation (HPS Part II students), 4 lectures*  
*Primary Source: Stanford School (HPS, Part II students), 4 meetings*

Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm 2006-07  
*Philosophy of Science, 4 sessions for Master course for engineers (in English)*  
*Mediaetik (Media ethics), 6 lectures for MA course for engineers (in Swedish)*

### **EDITORIAL WORK**

Associate Editor, *European Journal Philosophy of Science* 2026-  
Member of the Editorial Board of *Philosophical Psychology* 2022-  
Topical Collection Editor for “Reactivity in the Human Sciences”, *European Journal of Philosophy of Science*, 2020-23 (with Caterina Marchionni & Julie Zahle)

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### **PhD Examination Committee**

Committee Chair for Ida Vind Peterson (Political Science, Aarhus University) 2025-  
Committee member for Robert Pål Wallin (Philosophy, Lund University) 2025  
Committee member for Caroline Adolfsson (Social Psychology, Malmö University) 2024  
Committee Chair for Simone Sommer Degn (Political Science, Aarhus University) 2023  
Committee member for Lennart Ackermans (Philosophy, Erasmus University, Rotterdam) 2023

#### **Post doc mentorship and funding**

Renaud-Philippe Garner (Currently Assistant Professor, University of British Columbia, Canada) 2020-22

Jens Jørund Tyssedal (Currently Assistant Professor University of Bergen, Norway)	2022-23
<b>Search committee (including conducting interviews and offers)</b>	
Post Docs hiring committee, Political Science department Aarhus University	2020, 2023
HPS MPhil programme candidates, Cambridge University	2013
<b>Programme Committee</b>	
Philosophy of Science Association (PSA), biannual meeting	2026
European Network for the Philosophy of Social Science annual meeting	2022, -25-26
Eastern European Network for the Philosophy of Science meeting	2024
European Society of Philosophy of Science bi-annual meeting	2021
British Society for the Philosophy of Science annual Meeting	2018
<b>Other service</b>	
Grant Proposal Reviewer, National Science Center, Poland	2025
Complaints Panel Member, Scientific Employment: Portuguese Public Funding Agency for R&D	2025
Philosophy department board, KCL	2010-11
Chairperson, Stockholm University Philosophy Society,	2005-06
Undergraduate rep., Philosophy department board, Stockholm University,	2005-06

### CONFERENCE & LECTURE SERIES ORGANIZATION (selected where I was chief organiser)

<i>What experiments can teach philosophy (and vice versa)</i> , CEPDISC Aarhus	June 2024
<i>Annual conference for Center for the Experimental-Philosophical Study of Discrimination</i> , Aarhus	Oct 2023
<i>Identity and Normativity</i> (6 public lectures & adjacent academic workshops) Aarhus	Spring 2022
<i>Minorities in the Nordic Context</i> (1-day workshop), Sorte Diamant, Copenhagen	Nov 2021
<i>Reactivity and Classification in the Human Sciences</i> (Online + 1 in-person workshop), Copenhagen	2022, 2021
<i>Law, Responsibility &amp; Neuroscience</i> (2 workshops), Institute of Philosophy, London	2012

### PEER REFEREEING

**Book manuscripts:** *Oxford University Press*

**Journals:** \**Analysis*; \**Australasian Journal of Philosophy*; \**Philosophers Imprint*; \**Philosophical Quarterly*; \**European Journal of Philosophy* (5+); \**British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*; \**Philosophy of Science: \*Erkenntnis*; \**Synthese* (10+); \**Mind & Language*; \**Philosophical Psychology*; \**Studies in the History and Philosophy of Biological and Biomedical Science*; \**European Journal for the Philosophy of Science*; \**Philosophy* \**Jurisprudence* \**International Studies in Philosophy of Science*; \**Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*; *Theoria*; \**Review of Philosophy and Psychology*; \**Cognitive Science*; \**Frontiers of Human Neuroscience*; \**Biological Theory*; \**Metaphysics*; \**Acta Analytica*; \**Phenomenology & the Cognitive Sciences*; \**British Journal of Aesthetics*; \**Science and Engineering Ethics*; \**NanoEthics*; \**NanoMedicine*; \**EUSAL Revistas* \**General Philosophy of Science* \**Philosophia*; \**Studia Philosophica Estonica*

### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

Organisation of public lecture series: 6 public lectures on Identity & Normativity, Aarhus	Spring 2022
Invited speaker, <i>Philosophical Festival DRIFT collective</i> , Amsterdam, the Netherlands	Fall 2021
Moderator for 'Fake News! Post-Truth Politics', Debate at <i>Think Corner</i> venue at Helsinki University	Dec 2017
Panelist, Debate about the future of "bildung" and higher education in the Nordics, <i>Almedalen Political week</i> , 2017	
Panelist on debate on the Future and Ethics of Nanotechnology, <i>Pint of Science Festival</i> , Cambridge, UK	May 2014
Chair of debate: 'Disability as a Ground for Abortion?' <i>Cambridge Medical Society</i> , Trinity College	May 2014
Panelist on debate on the use of Bacterial Genome data <i>Science Festival</i> , Cambridge, UK	Mar 2014
Contributor to Imperfect Cognitions blog	2014-
AHRC Media training course for academics, London University	2010
Philosophy outreach programme to secondary schools, King's College London	2009-11

### REFERENCES (please contact me for further references)

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