

## **CV – MARION GODMAN**

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### **EMPLOYMENT**

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| Associate Professor (untenured), Political Science Department, Aarhus University                                      | 2021-27  |
| Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Aarhus University<br>(Maternity leave, September 2018-August 2019) | 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**

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| PhD, Philosophy, King's College London (KCL), UK<br>Thesis: <i>Human Kinds and Other Natural Kinds</i> (passed without corrections)<br>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**

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

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| <i>Political Science Teaching Award</i> (Aarhus University) with Andreas Albertsen, Søren Flinch Midgaard, Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen)  | 2025    |
| <i>Pireau Seed funding</i> (Aarhus University) (100,000 DKK) Jointly with Nicholas Haas   | 2024    |
| <i>Sapere Aude Research Leader</i> (767.000 EUR) "Social membership and cultural rights"<br>Independent Research Fund Denmark. Principal Investigator/Sole applicant  | 2020-23 |
| <i>Center for the Experimental-Philosophical Study of Discrimination</i> (€ 8,4 million)<br>Independent Research Fund Denmark (Danmarks Grundforskningsfond).<br>w/ Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen (PI), Göran Duus-Otterström, Lasse Laustsen, Michael Bang Petersen, Kim Mannemar Sønderskov, Lotte Thomsen<br>& Fabio Wolkenstein. | 2020-26 |
| <i>Nordic Exploratory Workshop Series</i> "Types of reactivity in the human sciences" (€41,000)<br>Nordic Research Councils (NOS-HS). Co-applicant w/ Caterina Marchionni & Julie Zahle   | 2019-21 |
| <i>Science and Culture Exploratory Award</i> "Neuroscience, law and responsibility" (approx. €30,000)<br>Arts and Humanities Research Council, UK. Co-applicant with Helen Beebee (PI)  | 2012    |
| <i>European platform network grant</i> "Pre-reflective & reflective processes of social interaction" (€ 92,100)<br>Volkswagen Stiftung, Germany. w/ Vivian Bohl, Mog Stapleton,<br>Wouter van den Bos, Marijn van Wingerden & Christoph Teufel  | 2012-14 |
| <i>King's College London Teaching Fellow Award</i>  | 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 Monograph (peer-reviewed)

(30) Godman, M. (2020) *The Epistemology and Morality of Human Kinds*. Routledge, Focus in Philosophy series, Abingdon Oxon.

### Peer reviewed journal articles

(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*

(28) Godman, M & R.P Garner (2024) "A Troubled Inheritance: Overcoming the Temporality Problem in Cases of Historical Injustice" *Journal of Social Philosophy*

(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

(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, 210-220.
- (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, 228-243.
- (6) Godman, M.(2016) "Cultural Syndromes: Socially Learned but Real" *Filosofia Unisinos*, 17(2), 185-191.
- (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.

### SELECTED RECENT PRESENTATIONS

#### Keynotes

"Why multiculturalism isn't bad for women"  
*European Culture and Society & European Studies Winter Lecture 2024*, 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) J2025

"Should data on ethnicity be collected in Europe? A philosophical-experimental approach" w/ Nicholas Haas 2025  
*Helsinki Institute for Social Sciences & Humanities Brown Bag Seminar*, Helsinki (IS)

"Identity or Inductive potential? Human categories in the cross-roads."  
*Philosophy colloquium*, Stockholm University, Sweden (IS) 2025

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| “The Nordic Racial Hygiene Studies: Science and Cultural Domination”                                    |      |
| <i>Centre for Science Studies Colloquium, Aarhus University</i> (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, Gothenburg, Sweden</i> (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, Central European University</i> (IS)  | 2023 |
| <i>Philosophy Colloquium, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED)</i> , 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, Symposium</i> , 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, Lund University Lund Sweden</i> (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 |
| “A Relationship of Value: The Social Intellect of Those with Intellectual Disabilities”                 |      |
| <i>Helsinki Symposium on Profound Intellectual Disability</i> , MayVik, Finland (IS)                    | 2017 |
| “Möjliga träskindividers omöjliga medlemskap” (In Swedish)  |      |
| <i>Svenskspråkigt filosofi seminarium</i> , Helsingfors universitet (IS)                                | 2016 |
| <i>Finlands filosofiska förenings konferens</i> , Helsingfors (PRP)                                     | 2016 |
| <b>PEDAGOGICAL SUMMARY</b> (for more information, see my Teaching portfolio)                            |      |
| <i>PhD supervision</i>  |      |

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| PhD supervisor (secondary): MJ Balezina “Transgender and discrimination”<br>Department of Political Science, Aarhus University   | Jan 2023-25 |
| PhD Advisory committee for Päivi Seppälä, (Philosophy, Helsinki University)<br>Department of Political and Economic Studies, Helsinki University   | 2021-       |
| Master’s thesis students<br>Political Science department, Aarhus University  | 2021-       |
| Master’s thesis students (5)<br>History and Philosophy of Science department, Cambridge University   | 2013-2014   |
| MPhil/Part III (Research Master’s programmes) Supervisor for Bsc/M.Sc. students (6)<br>Internal and External Examiner for MPhil/Part III and Part II programmes  |             |
| <b>LECTURING</b>   |             |
| Political Science department, Aarhus University<br>Summer course <i>Philosophy of Race</i> (20 credits)<br><i>Videnskabsteori/Philosophy of Social Science</i> : Undergraduate 16 lectures (Danish/English) 2021-<br><i>Multiculturalism and immigration</i> : Bachelor seminar 13 lectures (Danish/English) 2021  |             |
| Politics & Economic Studies department, Helsinki University,<br><i>Hur bör vi kategorisera människor?</i> 13 lectures (in Swedish on Human kinds) 2016<br><i>Philosophy of Social Science</i> 12 lectures (in English with Sonja Amadae), 2016<br><i>Science, Values and Society</i> , 13 lectures, (in English) 2013  |             |
| History and Philosophy of Science department, Cambridge University<br><i>Theory &amp; Evidence</i> (IB, Natural Sciences/Philosophy tripod option), 8 lectures<br><i>Philosophy of Biology</i> (IB, Natural Sciences/Philosophy tripod option), 8 lectures<br><i>Metaphysics of Science: The Challenge from Biology</i> (HPS, Part II students), 8 lectures<br><i>Bioethics</i> (HPS, Part II students), 4 lectures<br><i>Ethics of Medicine</i> (Biological and Biomedical Sciences students), 4 lectures<br><i>Evidence and Observation</i> (HPS Part II students), 4 lectures<br><i>Primary Source: Stanford School</i> (HPS, Part II students), 4 meetings | 2013-2014   |
| Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm<br><i>Philosophy of Science</i> , 4 sessions for Master course for engineers (in English)<br><i>Mediaetik (Media ethics)</i> , 6 lectures for MA course for engineers (in Swedish)  | 2006-07     |

## EDITORIAL WORK

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

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & ADMINISTRATION

### PhD Examination Committee

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| Advisory Committee member for Caroline Adolfsson (Social Psychology, Malmö University) | May 2024 |
| Committee Chair for Simone Sommer Degn (Political Science, Aarhus University)          | Dec 2023 |
| Committee member for Lennart Ackermans (Philosophy, Erasmus University, Rotterdam)     | Sep 2023 |

### Post doc mentorship and funding

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| Renaud-Philippe Garner | 2020-22 |
| Jens Jørund Tyssedal   | 2022-23 |

**Search committee (including conducting interviews and offers)**

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| Post Docs hiring, Political Science department Aarhus University | 2020, 2023 |
| HPS MPhil programme candidates, Cambridge University             | 2013       |

**Programme Committee**

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| European Network for the Philosophy of Social Science annual meeting | 2022, 2025 |
| 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       |

**Other service**

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| PhD rep., 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)

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| <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, Aarhus</i> | Oct 2023    |
| <i>Identity and Normativity</i> (6 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 inperson 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*; \**Mind & Language*; \**Australasian Journal of Philosophy*; \**Philosophers Imprint*; \**Philosophical Quarterly*; \**European Journal of Philosophy*; \**British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*; \**Philosophy of Science*; \**Erkenntnis*; \**Synthese*; \**Philosophical Psychology*; \**Studies in the History and Philosophy of Biological and Biomedical Science*; \**European Journal for the Philosophy of Science*; \**Philosophy* \**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*; \**Acta Analytica*; \**Phenomenology & the Cognitive Sciences*; \**British Journal of Aesthetics*; \**Science and Engineering Ethics*; \**NanoEthics*; \**NanoMedicine*; \**EUSAL Revistas* \**General Philosophy of Science* \**Philosophia*

**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH**

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| “Psychopathy and the purpose of blaming” (Invited speaker)<br><i>Philosophical Festival DRIFT collective, Amsterdam,</i> )                              | Sep 2021    |
| Organisation of public lecture series: 6 public lectures on Identity & Normativity, Aarhus  | Spring 2022 |
| Moderator for ‘Fake News! Neoliberalism, Post-Truth Politics & Propensities for Violence’<br>Debate at <i>Think Corner</i> venue at Helsinki University | Dec 2017    |
| Panelist, Debate about the future of “bildning” 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     |