

## Philosophy and Psychiatry Summer School 2024

### *Mind, Value and Mental Health*



*18-19 July 2024, St Hilda's College,  
University of Oxford*

## Confirmed speakers and topics at the 2024 Summer School:

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

#### Delusion

**Lucy O'Brien**, Richard Wollheim Professor of Philosophy, UCL (Keynote)



Prof Lucy O'Brien has been affiliated with UCL since 1992, initially as a Lecturer and, starting in 2004, as Reader in Philosophy. The appointment to the position of Professor took place in 2014, followed by assuming the Richard Wollheim Chair of Philosophy in 2020. Prior to joining UCL, Lucy O'Brien held a post-doctoral position at the Centre for Philosophical Studies, KCL. The role of Honorary Director of the Aristotelian Society was undertaken from 2008 to 2014. Current responsibilities for Prof Lucy O'Brien include co-editing, alongside A.W. Moore, the journal MIND, and serving as the Chair of Trustees of The Royal Institute of Philosophy.

#### Precision Psychiatry

**Philip McGuire**, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Oxford. Academic Director, SPRINT. Principal Investigator, Wellcome Centre for Integrative Neuroimaging.



Philip McGuire is Professor of Psychiatry in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford. He is Academic Director of SPRINT and a Principle Investigator at the Wellcome Centre for Integrative Neuroimaging. He is co-lead for Precision Psychiatry in the NIHR Oxford Health Biomedical Research Centre and a Consultant Psychiatrist at Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust. He studied medicine at the University of Edinburgh and neuroscience at Yale University. He trained as a psychiatrist at the Maudsley Hospital in London, then worked as an academic psychiatrist at the MRC Cyclotron Unit, London and the Institute of Psychiatry in London.

He leads a large research group that aims to understand the mechanisms underlying psychosis and use this information to develop new treatments and improve clinical care. He has published 800 scientific papers, has an h index of 125, and is a Highly Cited Researcher. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences, the Royal College of Psychiatrists, and the European Psychiatric Association.

## Mental Disorder and Creativity

**Alexander Bird**, Bertrand Russell Professor of Philosophy, University of Cambridge

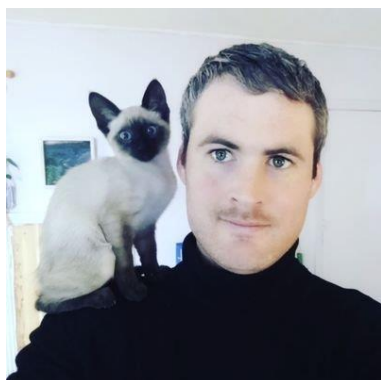


Alexander Bird, the Bertrand Russell Professor of Philosophy at Cambridge and a fellow of St John's College, has an extensive academic background. Before joining Cambridge, he held the position of Peter Sowerby Professor of Philosophy and Medicine at King's College London, concurrently serving as the Director of the Sowerby Philosophy & Medicine project. His academic history also includes occupying the chair in Philosophy at the University of Bristol, with earlier roles as a lecturer and then reader at the University of Edinburgh.

He has contributed to various institutions through visiting positions at Dartmouth College, Saint Louis University, and Monash University. Additionally, he has been a visiting fellow at Exeter College, Oxford, and All Souls College, Oxford. Alexander Bird is an Honorary Fellow of St John's College, Oxford, and a member (correspondant) of the Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques (Institut de France).

## Neurodiversity and the Political Economy of Normal Functioning

**Robert Chapman**, Assistant Professor, Critical Neurodiversity Studies, Durham University



Robert Chapman is a philosopher and social theorist focusing on neurodiversity, Madness, and disability. They completed their doctorate on the concept of autistic thriving in the Philosophy Department at the University of Essex in 2018. They have taught at King's College London, Bristol University, and Sheffield Hallam University. Between 2019 and 2021 they have also worked as a Vice Chancellor's Research Fellow working on neurodiversity and wellbeing at the University of Bristol, and they were invited to be a Visiting Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities at the University of Edinburgh in 2023.

Robert's work has covered a range of issues in philosophy of science, social epistemology, and critical theory, with a particular focus on Madness and neurodiversity. Robert's first book *Empire of Normality: Neurodiversity and Capitalism* will be published by Pluto Press in November 2023. They are also in the process of writing a second book, co-authored with Professor Sue Fletcher-Watson, providing a general introduction to neurodiversity. This will be published by Oxford University Press in 2024. They recently moved with their partner and two cats in Newcastle to take up their role as Assistant Professor in Critical Neurodiversity Studies. They are socially neurodivergent and fiscally communist.

## The 'insanity defence' and the Criminal Law

**Claire Hogg**, Lecturer in Law, University of Surrey



Claire Hogg is an ERC Research Fellow on the project (with effect from 1 October 2021), which she holds UCL. In 2021 she completed a PhD in Law at King's College London, under a Dickson Poon Scholarship. Previously, she obtained a BA and a BPhil in Philosophy from the University of Oxford, and an MA in Medical Ethics and Law from King's College London.

## Philosophical Perspectives on Depression

**Cecily Whiteley**, Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, University of St Andrews



Cecily Whiteley is a Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy at the University of St Andrews. Before joining St Andrews, Cecily Whiteley served as an Isaac Newton Trust Academic Career Development Fellow in the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Cambridge. Additionally, she held the position of Fellow and Director of Studies at Magdalene College, Cambridge.

Cecily Whiteley's primary research interests lie in the philosophy and metaphysics of mind, philosophy of science, and the philosophy of psychiatry. Her current research focuses on understanding and defending the explanatory significance of a category of conscious mental phenomena known as "global states of consciousness." This category encompasses states such as dreaming, wakefulness, and psychedelic states, with the overarching goal of contributing to ongoing research in clinical psychiatry.

## Organising Committee

**Director:** *Edward Harcourt, Professor of Philosophy, University of Oxford*

Edward Harcourt has been a member of the Oxford Philosophy Faculty and a Fellow of Keble College since 2005. His research is in ethics, in particular in moral psychology, and he has published on topics including neo-Aristotelianism and child development, the ethical dimensions of psychoanalysis and psychotherapy, the moral emotions, love and the virtues, Nietzsche's ethics, the philosophy of mental health and mental illness, literature and philosophy, and Wittgenstein.

From 2010-15 he convened the Meaning and Mindedness: Encounters between Philosophy and Psychoanalysis seminars at the Tavistock Clinic, London. He was Principal Investigator of the Wellcome/ISSF project 'Therapeutic Conflicts: Co-Producing Meaning in Mental Health' (2014-16) and of the AHRC network 'The Development of Character: Attachment Theory and the Moral Psychology of Vice and Virtue' (2016-17). Currently on secondment as Director of Research, Strategy and Innovation at the Arts and Humanities Research Council, his collection Attachment and Character: Attachment Theory, Ethics and the Developmental Psychology of Vice and Virtue appeared with OUP in 2021.



**Director:** *Matthew Parrott, Associate Professor in Philosophy, University of Oxford*

Matthew Parrott is a Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy at St Hilda's College, Oxford. Prior to this, he was a Birmingham Fellow at the University of Birmingham and a Lecturer in Philosophy at King's College London. His research focuses on questions in philosophy of mind, cognitive science, and philosophy of psychiatry. He has published on the nature of delusions, self-knowledge, and our knowledge of others' minds.

## Provisional Timetable

### Wednesday 17 July 2024

From 12:00	Accommodation check-in	Lodge
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### Thursday 18 July 2024

08:00 – 09:00	Breakfast (residential guests only)	Dining Hall
08:00 – 09:00	Registration with Tea/Coffee	Rooftop Garden Suite (Hall)
09:00 – 09:15	Introduction	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
09:15 – 10:45	Session 1	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
10:45 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee	Rooftop Garden Suite (C)
11:00 – 12:30	Session 2	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	Dining Hall
13:30 – 15:00	Session 3	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
15:00 – 15:15	Tea/Coffee	Rooftop Garden Suite (C)
15:15 – 17:30	ECR talks	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
18:30	Evening meal (residential guests only)	Dining Hall

### Friday 19 July 2024

08:00 – 09:00	Breakfast (residential guests only)	Dining Hall
09:00 – 10:30	Session 4	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
10:30 – 10:45	Tea/Coffee	Rooftop Garden Suite (C)
10:45 – 12:15	Session 5	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch	Dining Hall
13:15 – 14:45	Session 6	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
14:45 – 15:00	Tea/Coffee	Rooftop Garden Suite (C)
15:00 – 17:00	Keynote talk	Rooftop Garden Suite (A/B)
18:30 – 19:00	Drinks reception	River Lawn
From 19:00	Gala dinner	Jacqueline Du Pré foyer

### Saturday 20 July 2024

08:00 – 09:00	Breakfast (residential guests only)	Dining Hall
Until 10:00	Accommodation check-out	Lodge

## About the Venue

St Hilda's has one of the most beautiful settings in Oxford. The buildings and gardens stretch along the banks of the River Cherwell which flows under nearby Magdalen Bridge. From the lawns, you can enjoy one of the best views of Oxford's dreaming spires. The college is just off Oxford's busy High Street, and is also two minutes from East Oxford, famed for its vibrant mix of independent shops, world cuisine restaurants, cafés and bars.

Founded by Dorothea Beale in 1893, St Hilda's was the last of the women's colleges to be established in Oxford. The College has remained true to its pioneering roots and continues to strive for equality as well as excellence. St Hilda's reached its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2018, and the same year marked its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a 'mixed' college that welcomes all students. In 2021 the Anniversary Building and Pavilion were opened as part of a major redevelopment of the college's accommodation and facilities, which have enhanced significantly the experience of St Hilda's as a place to live and work.



*Anniversary Building and Pavilion, St Hilda's  
Garden Suite, St Hilda's*



*Rooftop*

The Summer School will be held in The Rooftop Garden Suite, which is part of the new Anniversary Building. Surrounded by windows, the Suite is light, spacious and well-ventilated. It also offers fantastic views of the gardens and the meadows, looking towards the city skyline.



*Evening view from The Rooftop Garden Suite*