

Dr. Tim Kraft

Areas of specialisation and competence

AOS	epistemology, philosophy of language, experimental philosophy/philosophy of philosophy, Wittgenstein
AOC/additional teaching areas	philosophy of mind, (philosophy of) logic, early modern philosophy (Descartes to Kant), history of analytic philosophy

Education and academic positions

Oct. 1998–May 2004	Magister Artium (M.A.) , philosophy (major), mathematics (minor), economics (minor), Univ. Göttingen. Thesis (in German): <i>Should philosophers of language be modest? On John McDowell's philosophy of language.</i>
Aug. 2005–Apr. 2011	Dr. phil. , Univ. Göttingen. Thesis (in German): <i>The normativity of linguistic meaning. A defence.</i>
Scholarships	DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service): for studying a year abroad at Univ. of St. Andrews, 2001–2002. <i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i> (German National Merit Foundation): student scholarship 2001–2004, PhD scholarship 2005–2008.
Apr. 2008–Aug. 2011	Lecturer (“Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter”) , Univ. Göttingen.
Oct. 2011–	Lecturer/Assistant Professor (“Wissenschaftlicher Assistent”) , Univ. Regensburg.

Publications

Articles

* = double-blind peer review

- * *with Alex Wiegmann*: “Epistemic closure and folk epistemology”, in: *Oxford Studies in Experimental Philosophy* (forthcoming)
- * “A new argument for distinguishing rejection and denial”, in: *Logique et Analyse* (forthcoming)
- * “How to read the *Tractatus* sequentially”, in: *Nordic Wittgenstein Review* 5 (2016), pp. 91–124.
- * “Epistemological disjunctivism’s genuine access problem”, in: *Theoria* 81 (2015), pp. 311–332.
- * “Defending the ignorance view of sceptical scenarios”, in: *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism* 5 (2015), pp. 269–295.

- * “Transmission arguments against knowledge closure are still fallacious”, in: *Synthese* 191 (2014), pp. 2617–2632.
- * “Sceptical scenarios are not error-possibilities”, in: *Erkenntnis* 78 (2013), pp. 59–72.
- “Scepticism, infallibilism, fallibilism”, in: *Discipline Filosofiche* 22 (2012), pp. 49–70. (Special issue with papers from the European Epistemology Network meeting 2012, Bologna and Modena)
- * “Warum Wissen nicht der allgemeinste faktive mentale Zustand ist”, in: *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 83 (2011), pp. 33–66.
- “Kripkes Wittgensteins skeptische Lösung und die Metaphysik des Meinens”, in: Martin Grajner and Adolf Rami (Hg.): *Wahrheit, Bedeutung, Existenz*. Heusenstamm: Ontos, 2010, pp. 125–180.

Book reviews

- Anne Meylan: *Foundations of an ethics of belief*, in: *Zeitschrift für philosophische Literatur* 2 (2014), pp. 64–71.
- Jochen Briesen: *Skeptische Paradoxa*, in: *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* 60 (2012), pp. 821–825.
- Anandi Hattiangadi: *Oughts and thoughts*, in: *European Journal of Philosophy* 17 (2009), pp. 336–341.

Encyclopaedia entries

- “Normativität der Bedeutung”, in: Nikola Kompa (ed.): *Handbuch Sprachphilosophie*. Stuttgart: Metzler, 2015, pp. 351–360.
- *with Felix Mühlhölzer*: “Hilary Putnam”, in: Julian Nida-Rümelin and Elif Özmen (eds.): *Philosophie der Gegenwart in Einzeldarstellungen*. Stuttgart: Kröner, 2007, pp. 505–517. (Reprinted in: Julian Nida-Rümelin and Elif Özmen (eds.): *Klassiker der Philosophie des 20. Jahrhunderts*. Stuttgart: Kröner, 2007, pp. 190–200.)

Work in progress ((rough) drafts available on request)

- “The sceptical toolkit: Yet another look at scepticism, underdetermination and closure” (in preparation)
- *with Christian Wirrwitz*: “Optimism and the value of truth” (in preparation)
- “The default & challenge conception of rule-following” (in preparation)
- “Belief and acceptance” (in preparation)

Talks (recent)

- May 2013 “Rejection and denial of epistemic principles” (in German), Univ. Duisburg-Essen
- Sep. 2013 Comment on Conor McHugh, *Doxastic freedom and normativity*, Univ. Regensburg
- Sep. 2013 “The sceptical argument according to Duncan Pritchard”, *8th Cologne summer school in philosophy: Radical scepticism (with Duncan Pritchard)*
- May 2014 “The right and the good in epistemology” (in German), *Neue Perspektiven in der Erkenntnistheorie*, Univ. Dresden

- Jun. 2014 “Is Regensburg the town at the Regen? Philosophical perspectives on proper names” (in German), *Ringvorlesung Eigennamen*, Univ. Regensburg (for non-philosophers)
- Sep. 2014 “Reconciling optimism with the value of truth: Optimism as emotional insight”, *Optimism and the value of truth*, Univ. Regensburg
- Jun. 2015 “Rejection and denial”, *Belief and Probability*, Univ. Regensburg
- Sep. 2015 *with Christian Wirrwitz* “Optimism and the value of truth”, *GAP.9*, Univ. Osnabrück
- Nov. 2015 “Scepticism, closure and folk epistemology” (poster), *First conference of the experimental philosophy group Germany*, Univ. Bochum
- June 2016 “My belief, your belief, our belief” (in German), *Social epistemology*, Univ. Cologne
- Sep. 2016 “Belief and acceptance”, *Conceptions of belief*, Univ. Regensburg

Academic service

- Workshops (co-organised) *Michael Williams and the problems of knowledge* (Graduate workshop with Michael Williams, Göttingen 2004), *Doxastic freedom and normativity* (Regensburg 2013), *Optimism and the value of truth* (Regensburg 2014), *Pyrrhonian scepticism and agnosticism* (Regensburg 2015), *Attitudes in context* (Regensburg 2017)
- Reviewer *Journals*: Analysis, Analytic Philosophy, Dialectica, Erkenntnis, Grazer Philosophische Studien, Philosophical Psychology, Ratio, Synthese; *Funding agencies*: Swiss National Science Foundation

Teaching

(All courses taught in German.)

- Introductory courses *Logic* (Göttingen 2010/11, Regensburg 2012, 2013), *Introduction to theoretical philosophy* (Göttingen 2008/09, 2011), *Philosophical methods* (Regensburg 2013/14, 2015, 2016/17), *Epistemology* (Göttingen 2010/11, Regensburg 2016), *Philosophy of language* (Göttingen 2010), *Philosophy of mind* (Regensburg 2015/16)
- Seminars in epistemology *Scepticism* (Göttingen 2008, Regensburg 2013/14), *Value of truth* (Regensburg 2012), *Doxastic freedom* (co-taught with Verena Wagner, Regensburg 2013), *Social epistemology* (Regensburg 2015), *What I believe* (Regensburg 2016/17)
- Seminars in philosophy of language *Proper names* (Regensburg 2011/12), *Rule-following* (Regensburg 2012/13), *Semantic externalism* (Regensburg 2014), *Advanced topics in philosophy of language* (Regensburg 2016)
- Seminars in metaphilosophy *Philosophy of philosophy* (Göttingen 2011, Regensburg 2014/5), *Experimental philosophy* (Regensburg 2017)
- Seminars in logic *Non-classical logic* (Göttingen 2011)

Seminars on classical texts *Descartes: "Meditations"* (Regensburg 2011/12), *Locke: "Essay"* (Regensburg 2012), *Berkeley: "Principles"* (Regensburg 2012/13), *Berkeley: "Three Dialogues"* (Regensburg 2017), *Hume: "Enquiry concerning human understanding"* (Regensburg 2014), *Kant: "Critique of pure reason"* (Regensburg 2014/15), *Wittgenstein: "Tractatus"* (Regensburg 2015/16), *Russell: "Problems of Philosophy"* (Göttingen 2009/10), *Heidegger: "Being and Time"* (co-taught with Andree Hahmann, Göttingen 2009)

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