

Valentina Petrolini

Areas of Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philosophy of Psychology & Psychiatry Philosophy of Emotions Philosophy of Psychoanalysis (Freud)
Current Appointments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juan de la Cierva Incorporación Postdoctoral Researcher – University of the Basque Country/Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea (UPV/EHU). August 2022-August 2025. Juan de la Cierva Formación Postdoctoral Researcher – University of the Basque Country/Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea (UPV/EHU). March 2020-August 2022. Adjunct Professor of Philosophy and Contemporary Sciences – University of Parma. 2021-2022.
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PhD in Philosophy – University of Cincinnati. Dissertation: “From Normality to Pathology: In Defense of the Continuity Thesis.” Committee: Heidi Maibom (chair), Peter Langland-Hassan, Thomas Polger, Johannes Brandl. December 2017. M.A. in Philosophy, <i>summa cum laude</i> – University of Parma. Dissertation: “Mind and Evolution. Contemporary Perspectives.” Committee: Gisèle Fischer (chair), Andrea Bianchi. March 2011. B.A. in Philosophy, <i>summa cum laude</i> – University of Parma. Dissertation: “Undeniable Propositions in Wittgenstein’s On Certainty: Applications to Intercultural Discourse.” Committee: Franca D’Agostini (chair), Marco Santambrogio, Marilena Andronico. December 2007.
Publications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Petrolini, V. & Vicente, A. (2022). The Challenges Raised by Comorbidity in Psychiatric Research: The Case of Autism. <i>Philosophical Psychology</i>. Online First. Mantzouranis, K. & Petrolini, V. (2021). Review of P. Giacomoni, N. Valentini, S. Dellantonio (eds.), <i>The Dark Side: Philosophical Reflections on the ‘Negative Emotions’</i>. <i>La Società degli Individui</i>, 72. Franco Angeli. Petrolini, V. (2021). On the Brink of Disaster: Vulnerability to Mental Disorders. <i>Philosophy of Medicine</i> 2(2), 1-21. Petrolini, V. (2020). Too Much or Too Little? Disorders of Agency on a Spectrum. <i>European Journal of Analytic Philosophy</i> 16(2), 79-99.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Loria, E., & Petrolini, V. (2020). Introduction to the special issue "The Bounds of Rationality". <i>European Journal of Analytic Philosophy</i> 16(2), 5-12. ▪ Petrolini, V., Jorba M. & Vicente, A. (2020). The Role of Inner Speech in Executive Functioning Tasks: Schizophrenia with Auditory Verbal Hallucinations and Autistic Spectrum Conditions as Case Studies. <i>Frontiers in Psychology: Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology</i>, 11(2020), 1-15. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2020). "You may quite well say that we are all ill" - Freud on the Continuity between Normality and Pathology. <i>Theory & Psychology</i> 30(2), 243-262. ▪ Petrolini, V. & Viola, M. (2020). Core Affect Dynamics: Arousal as a Modulator of Valence. <i>Review of Philosophy and Psychology</i>. 11(4), 783-801. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2017). What Makes Delusions Pathological? <i>Philosophical Psychology</i> 30(4), 498-519. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2017). "Emotions, Moods and Psychopathology. Schizophrenia and Depression as Affective Disturbances" (in Italian). <i>Sistemi Intelligenti</i> (1)2017, 1-16. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2015). "When Emotion and Cognition Do (not) Work Together: Delusions as Emotional and Executive Dysfunctions" Commentary on Luiz Pessoa's <i>The Cognitive Emotional Brain</i>. <i>Behavioral and Brain Sciences</i> 38(1). ▪ Petrolini, V. (2015). "Are Mental Disorders Illnesses? The Boundary between Psychiatry and General Medicine" <i>Proceedings of the AISB 2015 Symposium From Mental 'Illness' to Disorder and Diversity</i>, J. Parthemore & B. Whitby (eds.)
Web-based Publications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Petrolini, V. (2021). "Disorders of Agency on a Spectrum" Guest post on the Imperfect Cognitions blog. ▪ Jeuk, A. & Petrolini, V. (2020). "You can't unlearn, and that's a challenge for teachers". AEON Psyche. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2017). "What Makes Delusions Pathological?" Guest post on the Imperfect Cognitions blog. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2015). "Desiderata for a Successful Early Career Philosophy Conference: Suggestions from a Graduate Student". Guest post on the <i>Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry</i> blog. ▪ Petrolini, V. (2014). Review of Gumley, Gillham, Taylor & Schwannauer (eds.), <i>Psychosis and Emotions: The Role of Emotions in Understanding Psychosis, Therapy and Recovery</i>, Routledge 2013. <i>Metapsychology Online Reviews</i> 18(50).

<p>Invited Talks, Lectures, and Book Symposia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “Theories of Emotion: Expressing, Feeling, Acting”. Invited Commentator. Book Symposium with Pia Campeggiani (author) and Sara Dellantonio (commentator). Neuroscience and the Humanities Lab. February 2022. ▪ “Core Affect and its Discontents” (with Marco Viola) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Institute of Cognitive Science (IKW), University of Osnabrück. January 2022. – University of Bologna. September 2021. ▪ “Pathological Moods and Emotions” – <i>Pragmatic Landscapes Workshop</i>, organized by Associazione Pragma. December 2021. ▪ “The Dark Side: Philosophical Reflections on the ‘Negative Emotions’”. Invited Commentator. Book Symposium with editors and authors. June 2021. ▪ “What Does it Take to Be Rigid? Reflections on the notion of rigidity in ASC” – University of Rijeka, Research Center for Philosophy of Health and Disease (PhilHead). Philosophy of Psychiatry Webinar series. December 2020. ▪ “Psychopathology and Sciences of the Mind”. Invited Commentator. Book Symposium with editors and authors. University of Roma Tre. November 2020. ▪ “‘I Am the Greatest’: Adaptive and Disruptive Varieties of Overconfidence” – University of Amsterdam, Fifth PLM Workshop on Delusion and Mind. October 2020. ▪ “Psychology: Science, Practice, or Something Else? A Brief Overview of Operations and Procedures in Psychology” – University of Parma. April 2020. ▪ “Psychoanalysis: Science, Practice, or Something Else?” – University of Genova. December 2019. ▪ “On the Brink of Disaster: Vulnerability to Mental Disorders” – University of the Basque Country/Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea (UPV/EHU). October 2019. ▪ “The Unity of Mental Life: Freud on the Continuum between Normal and Pathological” – Association for Psychoanalytic Thought (Cincinnati). November 2016. ▪ “Hyper or Hypo? A Dimensional Model for Schizophrenia and Depression” (symposium) – Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive (AISC) - University of Naples. May 2016. ▪ “What Philosophy Contributes to the Study of Psychopathology” (with Heidi Maibom) – Special Invited Symposium: Philosophy for Cognitive Scientists, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP – New Orleans). April 2015.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “From Normalcy to Insanity: In Defense of the Continuity Thesis” – Seminario del Venerdì, University of Parma. March 2015.
Other Conference Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “More on Core Affect Dynamics: Magnification, Sheltering and their Clinical Implications” (with Marco Viola). Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy (SIFA). September 2021. ▪ “Reclaiming ‘autistic’: Language policies and Identity” (with Marta Jorba and Bianca Cepollaro) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP). August 2021. -- Society of Philosophy and Psychology (SPP) – Poster. June 2021. ▪ “The Identity of Autistic Camouflaging” – Philosophy of Psychiatry Work-in-Progress Workshop – University of Lancaster. June 2021. ▪ “On the Brink of Disaster: Vulnerability to Mental Disorders” –. Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive (AISC) - University of Roma Tre. December 2019. ▪ “Core Affect Dynamics” (with Marco Viola) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Investigating the Mind. Pain, Emotion & Affective Disorders workshop – Ruhr-University Bochum. November 2018. - European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP – Rijeka, Croatia). September 2018. ▪ “From Affect Circumplex to Affect Pendulum? Insights from Psychopathology on the Relationship between Arousal and Valence” (with Marco Viola) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SILFS Triennial Meeting (Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science) – University of Bologna. June 2017. - “Modelli della Mente” Workshop (University of Trieste). June 2017. ▪ “Are Mental Disorders Continuous with Healthy Functioning?” – Neurophilosophy Lunch Seminar (University of Milan). January 2017. ▪ “What Makes Mental Disorders Continuous with Healthy Functioning? A New Proposal for a Dimensional Model” – Work-in-progress Workshop (University of Salzburg). June 2016. ▪ “Environmental Triggers of Psychopathology: Gender and Depression as a Case Study” – Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB – University of Sheffield). April 2016. ▪ “Reality Distortion as Affective Disturbance: Moods and Emotions in Schizophrenia and Depression” – Workshop on the Meaning of Moods (University of Basel). December 2015. ▪ “Schizophrenia & Rationality” – Schizophrenia and Common Sense International Workshop (New University of Lisbon). November 2015.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “Self-Narratives: Divergent or Disrupted?” – Workshop on Shaun Gallagher’s Interdisciplinary Philosophy (University of Cincinnati). October 2015. ▪ “The Role of Repression in Psychopathology” (Poster) – Italian Society for Neuroethics (SINE – University of Padua). May 2015. ▪ “Are Mental Disorders Illnesses? The Boundary Between Psychiatry and General Medicine” – Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB – University of Kent, Canterbury). April 2015. ▪ Comments on Maiese: “Auditory Verbal Hallucination and the Sense of Ownership” – Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP – New Orleans). April 2015. ▪ “Neither Brainless Nor Mindless” (Poster) – Early Career Scholars Philosophy of Psychiatry Conference, Center for Philosophy of Science (University of Pittsburgh). November 2014. ▪ “Neither Brainless Nor Mindless: Towards an Interactionist View in Philosophy of Psychiatry” – 30th Annual Conference on the History and Philosophy of Science (University of Colorado Boulder). October 2014. ▪ “Delusions, Rationality and Emotions” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP – Noto, Italy). September 2014. - Collective Intentionality IX (University of Indiana, Bloomington). September 2014. - Society for Applied Philosophy (SAP – St. Anne’s College, Oxford). June 2014. ▪ Comments on Wilkenfeld: “On Behalf of Understanding: A Reply to Khalifa” – Ohio Philosophical Association (Kenyon College). April 2014. ▪ “Making Sense of the Analogy between Intuition and Perception” – North Carolina Philosophical Society (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill). February 2014.
Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Main Instructor: <p>University of the Basque Country - UPV/EHU (2020-2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduate seminar in Theoretical Linguistics with a focus on autism and language (co-taught with Agustin Vicente). <p>University of Parma (2018-2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduate seminar in Philosophy and Contemporary Sciences. - Graduate seminar in Philosophy and Cognitive Science (co-taught with Thomas Metzinger).

	<p>University of Cincinnati (2013-2017)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intermediate-level Courses: “Minds & Machines” - Introductory Courses (online): “Introduction to Philosophy of Mind”; “Introduction to Philosophy: History – Descartes to Kant”; “Introduction to Philosophy: Theory of Knowledge”; “Critical Thinking”. <p>▪ Guest Lecturer – University of Parma (2015-2017): Upper-level Course (MA students): “Philosophy of Science” (Instructor: Gisèle Fischer).</p> <p>▪ Teaching Assistant – University of Cincinnati (2012-2013):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introductory Courses: “How Science Works”; “Introduction to Philosophy: Theory of Knowledge”.
Supervision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lucía Giménez Ara, Master’s thesis (TFM) on social and emotional concepts in autism (co-supervised with Agustín Vicente), Master in Theoretical Linguistics, University of the Basque Country - UPV/EHU, in progress (2021/2022). - Veronica Caselli, Master’s thesis on schizophrenia and phenomenological approaches, Philosophy, University of Parma, in progress (2021/2022). - Federica Zerbini, Master’s thesis on speech acts and emotions in Borderline Personality Disorder (co-supervised with Andrea Bianchi), Philosophy, University of Parma, in progress (2021/2022). - Silvia Piccioli, Master’s thesis titled “Anti-reductionist Monism: The Mind-Body Problem from a Naturalist Perspective” (co-supervised with Wolfgang Huemer), Philosophy, University of Parma, July 2021.
Service	<p>▪ Referee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Agencies: Agencia Estatal de Investigación (Spain). Section: Psychology - Books: Routledge (Focus on Philosophy) - Journals: Philosophers’ Imprint, Depression Research and Treatment, Topoi, Journal of Consciousness Studies, Frontiers in Psychology, British Journal of Philosophy of Science; Philosophical Psychology; Philosophy, Psychiatry and Psychology; Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences; Erkenntnis, APHeX. - Conferences: Ohio Philosophical Association, Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SSPP); Italian Association of Cognitive Science (AISC). <p>▪ Editor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guest Editor for the <i>European Journal of Analytic Philosophy</i>. Special issue: “The Bounds of Rationality” (with Emiliano Loria). November 2020. - Assistant Editor for the <i>Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy Online</i>, Mind & Psychology section (with Thomas Polger). Spring & Fall 2014.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conference organizer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive (AISC – University of Parma). Midterm conference: “Cognitive Science Meets the Humanities” (with Pia Campeggiani, Fausto Caruana, and Marco Viola). June 2022. ▪ Committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Founding member of the MAP Chapter “Minorities and Philosophy” at the University of Parma. May 2020. - Founding member of the work-in-progress seminars “Idee in Bozza” [Drafts & Ideas] at the University of Parma. 2017-in progress. - Co-organizer (with Irene Binini) of the “Career Development Panel: PhD in Philosophy” targeted to Master’s students applying to PhD programs in Europe and the United States – University of Parma. May 2017 & July 2015. - Member of the organizing committee for the round-table “UC Bridging the Gap”, focused on the relationship between public intellectuals and the community – University of Cincinnati. March 2014. ▪ Graduate student Government: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Secretary for the Philosophy Graduate Student Association (GSA) – University of Cincinnati. 2014-2015. - Graduate Student Representative – University of Cincinnati. 2013-2014. ▪ Mentorship: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Underrepresented Philosophy of Science Scholars (UPSS) Initiative. 2020-ongoing
Research Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Graduate School Dean’s Fellowship (Dissertation Completion Fellowship). University of Cincinnati. Academic Year 2016-2017. ▪ Ernst Mach Grant (Austrian Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy). University of Salzburg (Austria). Spring 2016. ▪ Graduate Student Research Fellowship. University Research Council (URC – University of Cincinnati). Summer 2015. ▪ Graduate Summer Fellowship. Taft Research Center (University of Cincinnati). Summer 2014. ▪ Exchange student on a full scholarship – Pitzer College, Claremont (CA). Spring 2010.
Grants & Funded Projects	<p>As member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spanish Ministry for Science and Innovation. Inner Speech in Action: New perspectives (INACT). PI: Marta Jorba (44.000 €). 2022-2026. ▪ University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU). Universidad-Empresa 2020. PIs: Agustín Vicente & Elena Castroviejo (10.800 €). 2020-2021.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spanish State Research Agency (Agencia Estatal de Investigación). Grant number: PGC2018-093464-B-I00. PI: Agustín Vicente (72.000 €). 2019-2021. ▪ Basque Government. Grant number: IT1396-19. PI: Gorka Elordieta (52.000 €). 2019-2021 ▪ University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU). Grant number: GIU18/221. PIs: Myriam Uribe-Etxeberria & Agustín Vicente (48.000 €). 2019-2021.
Affiliations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Society for Philosophy and Psychology (SPP) ▪ European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP) ▪ American Philosophical Association (APA) ▪ Ohio Philosophical Association (OPA) ▪ Society for Philosophy of Emotions (SEP)
Languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Italian: Native ▪ English: Fluent ▪ Spanish: Intermediate ▪ German: Intermediate ▪ French: Intermediate