

Susanne Burri

Curriculum Vitae

Philosophical Interests

- AOS Normative Ethics, Philosophy of Death
AOC Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Economics, Applied Ethics, Decision Theory

Academic Appointments

- 2015– **Assistant Professor**
Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method,
London School of Economics and Political Science, London, UK
- 2013–2015 **Postdoctoral Researcher**
Philosophy Department, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS),
University of St. Gallen (UNISG), St. Gallen, Switzerland

Education

- 2010–(2014) PhD in Philosophy
London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
Viva passed without corrections on 28 November 2014
- Supervisors Alex Voorhoeve (*LSE*) and Luc Bovens (*LSE*)
Examiners Mike Otsuka (*LSE*) and Jeff McMahan (*Rutgers*)
Title A Rights-Based Perspective on Permissible Harm
- 2009–2010 **Master of Science in Economics and Philosophy** (distinction),
London School of Economics and Political Science
- 2006–2009 **Bachelor of Arts in Economics** (Avg. 5.84/6),
University of St. Gallen (UNISG)

Research

- Published “Personal Sovereignty and Our Moral Rights to Non-Interference”,
Articles *The Journal of Applied Philosophy*, DOI: 10.1111/japp.12175, published online
17 February 2016.
- “The Toss-Up Between a Profiting, Innocent Threat and His Victim”,
The Journal of Political Philosophy, 23 (2) (2015): 146-65.
- Contributions “What’s the Moral Problem with Killer Robots?”,
to Edited forthcoming in *Who Should Die?*, Strawser, Bradley J., Robillard, Michael and
Volumes Ryan Jenkins (editors), Oxford University Press

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- “How Death is Bad for Us as Agents”,
forthcoming in *Saving Lives from the Badness of Death*, Gamlund, Espen and Carl Tollef Solberg (editors), Oxford University Press
- Book Review “Moral Aggregation, Iwao Hirose. Oxford University Press, 2015, xiii+234 pages”,
Economics & Philosophy, DOI: 10.1017/S0266267115000437, published online 1 December 2015.
- In Progress “The Redirection of Bombs During WWII: A Philosophical Investigation”
“Executive Compensation and Distributive Justice” (joint work with Alexander Pepper)

Prizes and Scholarships

- 2014 **Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace Graduate Reading Retreat Travel Fund**, *Stockholm University*
The six graduate students accepted to the Reading Retreat received free meals and accommodation, and were reimbursed their travel costs.
- 2010–2013 **Department of Philosophy PhD Partnership Scholarship**, *LSE*
The scholarship paid tuition and living expenses.
- 2013 **Departmental Teaching Prize**, *LSE Philosophy Department*
A £500 prize awarded annually for outstanding teaching contributions.
- 2013 **SAP Annual Conference Postgraduate Essay Prize**,
Society for Applied Philosophy
I won this prize for the paper “Personal Sovereignty and Our Moral Rights to Non-Interference”. The prize entitles its winner to free registration at the annual SAP conference, as well as reimbursement of accommodation and travel costs.
- 2011 **Popper Prize**, *LSE Philosophy Department*
I won this prize for the paper “The Fair Distribution of Bad Luck”, which later became my *Journal of Political Philosophy* paper. The £500 prize is awarded bi-annually for a distinguished achievement in graduate work.
- 2009–2010 **Philosophy MSc Scholarship 2009/10**, *LSE Philosophy Department*
The scholarship paid tuition and living expenses.

Conference Presentations

[Autonomous Weapons Systems and Human Agency](#)

- 2016 Society for Applied Philosophy Annual Conference
- 2015 “The Future of Just War: Theoretical and Practical Challenges”, Monterey CA, hosted by the Defense Analysis Department at the Naval Postgraduate School
- [The Redirection of Bombs During WWII: A Philosophical Investigation](#)
- 2015 University of Edinburgh Just World Institute Ethics of War Workshop
- 2014 Stockholm Centre for the Ethics of War and Peace Graduate Reading Retreat
Society for Applied Philosophy Annual Conference
Symposium of the Swiss Philosophical Society
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[An Agency-Based Account of the Badness of Death](#)

- 2015 University of Bergen and University of Oslo CSMN Workshop on “Saving Lives From the Badness of Death”
[Defending Kamm Against Kagan or Why We Need a Moral Status That Fits Us](#)
- 2014 London-Berkeley Philosophy Graduate Conference
[Is Death Bad for the Person Who Dies?](#)
- 2013 Stockholm Philosophy Graduate Conference
[Should Public Practical Reasoning Be Particularist?](#)
- 2013 MANCEPT Workshop on Pluralism, Politics, and Practical Reason
[Personal Sovereignty and Our Moral Rights to Non-Interference](#)
- 2013 Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy
Society for Applied Philosophy Annual Conference
Association for Legal and Social Philosophy Annual Conference
IV Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy
[The Fair Distribution of Bad Luck](#)
- 2012 Brave New World Philosophy Graduate Conference
London-Berkeley Philosophy Graduate Conference
Yale/UConn Graduate Conference
Warwick Philosophy Graduate Conference
[Who Wants to Be Nudged?](#)
- 2010 LSE Rerum Causae Student Conference

[Selected Invited Talks and Responses](#)

- 2016 7th Annual Conference of the Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict (ELAC), EUI, Florence: Response to Yitzhak Benbjai’s paper on *Civilian Immunity without the DDE*
Institute for Future Studies, Stockholm, Workshop on “Deontological Approaches to Population Ethics”: Response to Rivka Weinberg’s paper on *Procreative Asymmetries, Risk, and Responsibility*
4th Annual LSE-Bayreuth Student Philosophy Conference, Bayreuth University: Keynote on *Autonomous Weapons Systems and Human Agency*
Popper Seminar, LSE Philosophy Department:
Talk on *An Agency-Based Account of the Badness of Death*
- 2015 The London Graduate Workshop on Moral and Political Philosophy, LSE: Keynote on *Autonomous Weapons Systems and Human Agency*
University of Oslo, Center for the Study of Mind in Nature (CSMN) seminar: Talk on *Autonomous Weapons Systems and Human Agency*
Philosophy Now Festival London: Talk and conversation on *The Ethics of Drones* (with Bryan Roberts and Jonathan Birch)
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Forum for European Philosophy Public Lecture on *London Under Attack: The Moral Complexities of WWII Bombings*

LSE Philosophy Department Retreat:

Talk on *Autonomous Weapons Systems and Human Agency*

2013 LSE Philosophy Department Retreat:

Talk on *The Strategic Redirection of Bombs During WWII: A Problem of Dirty Hands?*

LSE Choice Group:

Talk on *An Imposing Innocent Threat and You: Why It's a Toss-Up*

Teaching Experience

2016 **Business and Organisational Ethics (Lectures; MSc Seminars)**, *London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)*.

I taught the entire half unit course, which took place throughout Lent term (10 weeks of teaching). 45 undergraduate students, 15 postgraduate students.

2015 **Philosophy, Morality, and Politics (Lectures; MSc Seminars)**, *LSE*.

I taught 5 weeks of the 20 weeks course (the remainder of the course was taught by Mike Otsuka). 60 undergraduate students, 45 postgraduate students.

January 2015 **The Problem of Dirty Hands: Ethical and Political Perspectives (Lectures and Seminars)**, *Bayreuth University*.

3.5 day intensive course with 22 students (1st, 2nd, and 3rd year undergraduates). The course was taught in English.

2014–2015 **An Introduction to Normative Ethics (Lectures and Seminars)**, *University of St. Gallen*.

Weekly lecture and seminar (for a total of 2 hours per week) with 38 students (1st year undergraduates). The course was taught in German.

2012–2013 **Philosophy of Economics (Graduate Teaching Assistant)**, *LSE*.

Two weekly 1-hour seminars with 15 students each (3rd year undergraduates). The course was taught by Armin Schulz and Joseph Mazor.

2011–2012 **Morality and Values (GTA)**, *LSE*.

Two weekly 1-hour seminars with 15 students each (2nd and 3rd year undergraduates). The course was taught by Alex Voorhoeve and Armin Schulz.

2010–2011 **Reason and Values. An Introduction to Philosophy (GTA)**, *LSE*.

Two weekly 1-hour seminars with 15 students each (1st year undergraduates). The course was taught by Alex Voorhoeve and Kristina Musholt.

Affiliations

Since 2015 Institute for Future Studies, Stockholm
Associated Researcher

Service to the Profession

Since 2016 External Grant Application Reviewer for the *Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)*

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Referee for the journals *Economics & Philosophy* and
Journal of Applied Philosophy

Organisational Activities

- 2016 I coorganized (together with Prof Dieter Thomae, University of St. Gallen) a two-day workshop on Philip Pettit's book *The Robust Demands of the Good*.
- 2013–2015 **Philosophy Department seminar series**, *University of St. Gallen*
- 2011–2012 **PhD seminar series**, *LSE Philosophy Department*

Other Academic Work Experience

- 2015–2016 **MSc Philosophy and Public Policy Programme Coordinator**,
LSE Philosophy Department.
I taught a weekly dissertation seminar and acted as the academic advisor of the 26 students on the programme.
- 2010–2011 **Lakatos Award Administration**, *LSE Philosophy Department*.
I was responsible for the communication, marketing, and general administration of the *Lakatos Award*, a £10,000 prize awarded annually for an outstanding contribution to the philosophy of science.
- 2007–2009 **Student Assistant**, *Institute of Economics, University of St. Gallen*.
I co-authored the 3rd edition of the *Instructor's Manual* to Manfred Gaertner's textbook *Macroeconomics*.

Other Work Experience

- 2006 **Internship in the Listing Department**,
SWX Swiss Exchange (now SIX Swiss Exchange), Zurich, Switzerland.
I independently handled new equity listings (IPO's) and debt securities listings.
- 2005–2006 **Internship in Marketing and Communications**,
UBS Global Wealth Management, UBS AG, Singapore.
I was put in charge of marketing controlling, i.e. the evaluation of the success of different marketing measures. I helped plan and coordinate client events for high net worth individuals and families.
- 2002–2004 **Traineeship, UBS Wealth Management and Business Banking**,
UBS AG, Zurich, Switzerland.
During my traineeship, I worked in four different banking divisions. After passing a final exam and submitting a thesis, I received the diploma "Banking and Financial Training for A-Level/High School Graduates" of the "Swiss Bankers Association".

Languages

- German **Native speaker**
English **Excellent**
French **Very good**

5 September 2016

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