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PURPOSE

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Research Grant Competitions

We have awarded over £460,000 in research funding to philosophers of religion from around the world. 41 winners from 25 countries – Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Germany, Indonesia, Israel, Jordan, Malawi, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, Nigeria, the Philippines, Russia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, UAE, UK, USA and Zimbabwe – are coordinating events, activities and publications addressing major problems in philosophy of religion from global perspectives.

Project Grants
Translation Grants
English Language Support Grants
Travel Bursaries

Project Grants

Please click [here](#) for the details of the funded projects.

African Perspectives on God and the Problem of Evil

- Principal Investigators:
Ada Agada (University of Fort Hare, South Africa) and Aribiah David Attoe (University of Fort Hare, South Africa)
- Awarded Amount: £30,293

Philosophy in the Islamic World

- Principal Investigators:
Fatema Amijee (University of British Columbia, Canada) and Sylvia Berryman (University of British Columbia, Canada)
- Awarded Amount: £16,800

Life, Death and the Afterlife in the Abrahamic Traditions

- Principal Investigators:
Kelly James Clark (Ibn Haldun University, Turkey), Enis Doko (Ibn Haldun University, Turkey) and Samuel Lebens (University of Haifa, Israel)
- Awarded Amount: £31,820

From the Divine to the Human: New Perspectives on Evil, Suffering and the Global Pandemic

- Principal Investigators:
Muhammad U. Faruque (University of Cincinnati, USA) and Mohammed Ruston (Carleton University, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £19,500

Project Grants

Please click [here](#) for the details of the funded projects.

The Philosophies of Appropriated Religions of Southeast Asia

- Principal Investigators:
Jeremiah Joven B. Joaquin (De La Salle University, Philippines) and Soraj Hongladarom (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand)
- Awarded Amount: £52,000

The Nature of God and the Problem of Evil and Suffering in African Philosophy of Religion: The Case of Chewa, Tumbuka, and Sena Ethnic Groups in Malawi

- Principal Investigators:
Grivas Kayange (University of Malawi, Malawi) and Yamikani Ndasauka (University of Malawi, Malawi)
- Awarded Amount: £28,450

Cross-Cultural Conceptions of the Self: South Asia, Africa, and East Asia

- Principal Investigators:
Nathan Loewen (University of Alabama, USA) and Agnieszka Rostalska (Ghent University, Belgium)
- Awarded Amount: £60,481

Islam and Science: Monograph, Video Series, and Book Launch

- Principal Investigators:
Shoaib Ahmed Malik (Cambridge Muslim College, UK and Zayed University, UAE)
- Awarded Amount: £25,000

Project Grants

Please click [here](#) for the details of the funded projects.

African Relationality and the Problem of Evil

- Principal Investigators:
Luís Rodrigues (Hunan University, China) and Jonathan O Chimakonam (University of Pretoria, South Africa)
- Awarded Amount: £35,590

Bringing Contemporary Philosophy of Religion to Latin American Scholars

- Principal Investigators:
Carlo Rossi (Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile) and Robert Garcia (Baylor University, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £63,620

Affectivity as a Way of Immortality: the Confucian Response to Buddhism

- Principal Investigators:
Yuanping Shi (Leiden University, Netherlands) and Douglas Berger (Leiden University, Netherlands)
- Awarded Amount: £5,000

A Philosophical Approach to the Vaiṣṇava Concept of God

- Principal Investigators:
Ricardo Sousa Silvestre (Brazilian Association for the Philosophy of Religion, Brazil) and Alan C. Herbert (Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies, UK)
- Awarded Amount: £30,000

**Turkish translation of
*Introducing Philosophy of Religion***

by Chad Meister
(Routledge 2009)

- Translator: Adnan Aslan (Holy Cross College, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £10,000

**Mandarin Chinese translation of
*Divine Hiddenness and Human Reason***

by J. L. Shellenberg
(Cornell University Press, 2006)

- Translator: Lok-Chi Chan (National Taiwan University, Taiwan)
- Awarded Amount: £10,000

**Arabic Translation of
*The Kalām Cosmological Argument: Philosophical Arguments for the Finitude of the Past***

by Paul Copan and William Lane Craig, eds.,
(Bloomsbury, 2018)

- Translators: Abdurrahman Ali Mihirig (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany) and Abdulmannan Aledreesi (WISE University, Jordan)
- Awarded Amount: £10,000

**Indonesian translation of
*Is there a God? (Revised Edition)***

by Richard Swinburne
(Oxford University Press, 2010)

- Translator: Emil Salim (Sekolah Tinggi Teologi Reformed, Indonesia)
- Awarded Amount: £10,000

**Indonesian translation of
*Arguing about God's***

by Graham Oppy
(Cambridge University Press, 2006)

- Translators: Herdito Sandi Pratama, Meutia Irina Mukhlis and Samuel Vincenzo Jonathan (University of Indonesia, Indonesia)
- Awarded Amount: £10,000

Winners of the Translation Grant Competition (Papers)

Spanish translation of 'Philosophy of Religion'

by Charles Taliaferro, in Edward N. Zalta (ed.), *the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, Fall 2019 Edition

- Translator: Ignacio Garay (University of Austral, Argentina)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

Moroccan translation of 'Faith as the Interpretative Element within Religious Experience: Faith and Freedom'

by John Hick in his *Faith and Knowledge* (Cornell University Press, 1966), pp. 120–148

- Translator: Chafik Graiguer (Hassan II University, Morocco and Vanderbilt University, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

Portuguese translation of 'Karma, Rebirth and the Problem of Evil'

by Whitley R. P. Kaufman, *Philosophy East and West* 55 (2005), pp. 15–32

- Translator: Gabriel Reis de Oliveira (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

Thai translation of 'The Consciousness of the Dead as a Philosophical Problem'

by Paul R. Goldin in R. A. H. King (ed.), *The Good Life and Conceptions of Life in Early China and Graeco-Roman Antiquity* (De Gruyter, 2015), pp. 59–92

- Translator: Pattira Thaitosaeng (Mahidol University, Thailand)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

Spanish translation of 'The Problem of Evil and the Desires of the Heart'

by Eleonore Stump, *Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Religion* 1 (2008), pp. 196–215

- Translator: Alan Elías Solís Serrano (Independent Scholar, Mexico)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

English Language Support Grants

First cycle (deadline 31 March 2021):

'It's too Good to be False: The Plantinga-Tolkien Argument for The Truth of Christianity'

- Author: Davi Heckert Cesar Bastos (University of Campinas, Brazil)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Two Accounts of Deity: Classical Theism vs. Theistic Personalism'

- Author: Igor Gasparov (Voronezh State Medical University named after N. N. Burdenko, Russia)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'The Epistemic Value of the Proofs and Theodicies in Defence of Theism'

- Author: Ataollah Hashemi (Saint Louis University, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Philosophising 'Human Memory-Dependent Immortality' in an African Indigenous Religion'

- Author: Dennis Masaka (Great Zimbabwe University, Zimbabwe)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'The Coherence of the Belief in the Existence of Evil in Traditional Yorùbá Theology: A Process-Relational Analysis'

- Author: Emmanuel Ofuasia (Lagos State University, Nigeria)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Maimonides' Apophatic Theology Revisited: God's Existence Perceivable solely by Means of Avicennian "That-Ness"?'

- Author: Soroosh Shahriari (McGill University, Canada)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

English Language Support Grants

Second cycle (deadline 31 March 2022):

'Transcending Death' Through Transhumanism'

- Author: Cennet Ceren ÇAVUŞ (Muş Alparslan University, Turkey)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Tragic Resentment Towards Heaven (Tiān 天) in Early Confucian Thought'

- Author: Lok Chui Choo (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Negative Eschatology as an Open Path to Mystery of Death and Immortality'

- Author: Ana Maria Correa Moreira da Silva (University of Brasilia, Brazil)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'The Divine Hiddenness and the Love and Goodness of God'

- Author: Gabriel Reis de Oliveira (Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Life is also not life, death is also not death": an Chinese-Islamic Perspective by Wang Daiyu 王岱與 (1570-1660?)'

- Author: Qiu Lin (Duke University, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

'Islamic Modest Dualism and the Metaphysical (Im)possibility of Bodiless Resurrection'

- Author: Aysenur Ünügür Tabur (University of Augsburg, Germany)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000

English Language Support Grants

Second cycle (deadline 31 March 2022):

'Solutions to the Problem of Evil Across Muslim and Christian Occasionalists'

- Author: Sümer Şen (Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands)
- Awarded Amount: £1000

'Avicenna on Divine Simplicity'

- Author: Hashem Morvarid (University of Illinois at Chicago, USA)
- Awarded Amount: £1,000



Travel Bursaries

Conference 2022:

17 winners: Hasskei Mohammed Majeed (University of Ghana, Ghana), Jingyi Jenny Zhao (University of Cambridge, UK), Andrew Loke (Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong), Liz Jackson (Toronto Metropolitan University, Canada), Jessica Frazier (University of Oxford, UK), Swami Medhananda (Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University, India), Emann Allebban (Providence College, USA), Mohammad Saleh Zarepour (University of Manchester, UK), Silvia Jonas (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany), Ted Good (University of Toronto, Canada), Christopher Tomaszewski (Baylor University, USA), Kirk Lougheed (LLC International University, Lithuania), Agnieszka Rostalska (University of Ghent, Belgium), Emmanuel Ofasia (University of Lagos, Nigeria), Cennet Ceren Çavuş (Üsküdar University, Turkey), Yuanping Shi (Leiden University, Netherlands) and Aysenur Ünügür-Tabur (University of Augsburg, Germany).

Conference 2023:

12 winners: Jack Symes (University of Durham, UK), Marzuqa Karima (independent scholar, UK), Asha Lancaster-Thomas (Atlanta Classical Academy, USA), Daniel Roy Woolnough (University of Oxford, UK), Andrew Ka Pok Tam (University of Macau, Macau), José Eduardo Porcher (Federal University of Santa Maria, Brazil), James Collins (University of Glasgow, UK), Jingyi Jenny Zhao (University of Cambridge, UK), Davide Andrea Zappulli (University of Montreal, Canada), Lok-Chi Chan (National Taiwan University), Taylor-Grey Miller (Brigham Young University, USA), Agnieszka Rostalska (University of Ghent, Belgium)

Events

Publication Seminars
International Conferences
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Publication Seminars

‘Workshop: Publication in Philosophy of Religion’

hosted by the Iranian Association for Philosophy of Religion,
22 February 2021

Speakers:

Yujin Nagasawa (Editor of Religious Studies) and
Mohammad Saleh Zarepour.

‘APA Webinar: How to Publish in Journals: Insights and Advice from Journal Editors’

hosted by the American Philosophical Association,
30 March 2021

Speakers:

Yujin Nagasawa (Religious Studies), John Heil (Journal of the
American Philosophical Association), Jennifer Lackey
(Episteme and Philosophical Studies), Bonnie Mann
(Hypathia), with Sally Hoffman (CUP) as a facilitator.

‘Online Publication Seminar: How to Publish in Philosophy of Religion Journals’

1 December 2021

Speakers:

Thomas Senior (Editor of Faith and Philosophy) and
Mark Murphy (Former Editor of Faith and Philosophy).

Publication Seminars

‘Publication Seminar as part of the conference

Abrahamic Reflections on the Afterlife’

University of Haifa, Israel, 8 March 2022

The publication seminar took place on Tuesday, March 8 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the seminar room at the Little House in Baka hotel in Jerusalem.

Participants:

Scott Davison, Kelly Clark (presenters)
Daniel Rubio, Sam Lebens, Yasin Ramazan, Ariel Meirav (faculty)
Barry Kleinberg, Yotam Gery (graduate students)
Elad Ron, Beyza Nur Temizkok, Layla Athammy, Drew Davison,
Zofia Kolaczek (undergraduate students)

‘Academic Publishing e-Workshop on

Philosophy of Religion’

hosted by Austral University, Argentina,
29–30 November 2022

Speakers:

Georg Gasser (Editor, European Journal for Philosophy of Religion), Yujin Nagasawa (Editor, Religious Studies), Ivana Anton Mlinar (Editor, Philosophia), Analytic Theology and Managing Editor, Faith and Philosophy), Piotr Roszak and Rubén Herce (Editors, Scientia et Fides).

‘Publication Seminar’

Philosophy of Religion in Asia Workshop, hosted by Yonsei University, South Korea, 31 March - 1 April 2023

Speaker:

Helen De Cruz (Editor-in-Chief Res Philosophica, Executive Editor Journal of Analytic Theology)

International Conferences

Global Philosophy of Religion Project
Conference I: The Existence and Nature of
God and Other Deities

22-24 June, 2021, University of Birmingham, UK (online)

Global Philosophy of Religion Project
Conference II: Death and Immortality

28-30 June, 2022, University of Birmingham, UK

Global Philosophy of Religion Project
Conference III: The Problem of Evil and Suffering

21-23 April, 2023, Waseda University, Japan



Public Lectures

‘Hindu Philosophy of Religion: God and Being: Rāmānuja's Reconciliation of Metaphysics and Devotion’

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad

6 September 2021

‘Christian Philosophy of Religion: Eucharistic Practice and Christian Life’

Mark Wynn

13 December 2021

‘Jewish Philosophy of Religion: Knowing vs. Understanding in Judaism’

Silvia Jonas

22 March 2022

‘Islamic Philosophy of Religion: Prospects for a feminist Islam’

Fatema Amijee

20 September 2022

‘Buddhist Philosophy of Religion: Knowledge and liberation in Buddhism - What kind of knowing may set you free?’

Amber Carpenter

26 October 2022

‘Global Philosophy of Religion: Our problem of categories - three ways forward for global philosophy of religion’

Timothy Knepper

1 February 2023

‘Christian Philosophy of Religion: The Problem of Evil and the Moral Argument’

Paul Copan

31 May 2023

New Ways of Doing Philosophy of religion: Interdisciplinary and Global Perspectives

29–30 March 2022

Attended by 20 junior scholars from diverse geographical and religious traditions. Funded by Research England QR Enhancing Research and Knowledge Exchange Funding Programme.

Symposium

Workshops

Global
Philosophy of Religion
One-day Workshops
at University of Birmingham

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- 1:00–1:40: **‘Is Consciousness Fundamental? – A Vedāntic Perspective’**
Shivanand Sharma (PhD Student, University of Birmingham)
- 1:50–2:30: **‘Where is God? Divine Presence and Location’**
Martin Pickup (Associate Professor of Philosophy,
University of Birmingham)
- 2:30–3:00: Break
- 3:00–3:40: **‘Pantheism and the Spiritual Life’**
Khai Wager (Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Oxford)
- 3:50–4:30: **‘See You in 100+ Years or So: Immortality and Reincarnation in K-Dramas’**
Hazel T. Biana (Professor of Philosophy, De La Salle University,
Philippines)
- 4:40–5:20: **‘Of Sheep, Goats, and Eschatological Fatalism’**
Jeremiah Joven Joaquin (Professor of Philosophy,
De La Salle University, Philippines)
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Workshop 1, 22 July 2022

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- 1:00–1:40: **‘How can Afro-Brazilian Traditions Inform the Philosophy of Religion?’**
José Eduardo Porcher (Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Federal University of Santa Maria, Brazil)
- 1:50–2:30: **‘Moving from an A Theory oriented to B theory oriented Kalam Cosmological Argument’**
Dean Meadows (PhD student, University of Birmingham, UK)
- 2:30–3:00: Break
- 3:00–3:40: **“‘Die Before You Die”: Exploring the Notion of Death in the Teachings of Ọ̀rúnmilà and Abu Hamid Al-Ghazali’**
Emmanuel Ofuasia (PhD student, Lagos State University, Nigeria)
- 3:50–4:30: **‘Informational Realism and its Implications for Christian Views of the Nature of the Soul’**
Ian Davies (PhD student, University of Birmingham, UK)
- 4:40–5:20: **‘Personal Identity, Survival, and God: Akan Philosophical Perspectives’**
Hasskei Majeed (Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Ghana, Ghana)
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Workshop 2, 21 September 2022

Workshops

Global
Philosophy of Religion
One-day Workshops
at University of Birmingham

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- 2:00–2:40: **‘The Empirical Challenge to Petitionary Prayer’**
Noam Oren (PhD student, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Oxford)
- 2:40–3:20: **‘A Puzzle of Agential Counterfactuals’**
Ben Whittington (PhD student, University of Birmingham)
- 3:20–3:40: Break
- 3:40–4:20: **‘Why Solving the Combination Problem won’t Save Panpsychism’**
Shivanand Sharma (PhD student, University of Birmingham)
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Workshop 3, 13 October 2022

Art and Poetry Exhibition: Evil, Suffering and Hope

1st December 2022, University of Birmingham

Philosophical Approach - moderated by Dr Martin Pickup

- Dr Marie-Helene Gorisse (University of Birmingham (Dharmic Philosophies))
- Dr Joanna Leidenhag University of Leeds (Christian Philosophy)
- Dr Tubanur Yesilhark Ozkan (International Foundation for Muslim Theology (Islamic Philosophy))
- Discussion

Monologue - Performance by Ehsanul Quader Khan

Visual Artistic Approach - moderated by Narmin Ismayilova

- Maria Cantoni
- Luke King Salter
- Shaista Chishty

Poetry

- Paul Abdul Wadud Sutherland
- Nabila Jameel
- Tom Proverbs-Garbett

Concluding remarks – Prof Yujin Nagasawa

The Mystery of Existence (in collaboration with the Panpsycast Philosophy Podcast)

17 June 2023, the Royal Institution, London

Speakers:

- Richard Dawkins
- Jessica Frazier
- Silvia Jonas
- Richard Swinburne
- Jack Symes

Public Events

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Conference / Seminar Presentations

Bakinaz Abdalla

‘From the One, Many Things Come Into Existence: A Jewish Perspective on the Doctrine of Divine Simplicity’

the Global Philosophy of Religion Project Online Conference,
University of Birmingham, UK | (pre-recorded) 22 June 2021.

‘The Problem of Evil and Suffering: A Jewish-Islamic Perspective from Abu al-Barakat al-Baghdadi’s Commentary on Qohelet’

Conference on Medieval Islamic and Jewish Philosophy, Chicago |
15 November 2022.

Abbas Ahsan

‘Making Epistemic Room for Theological Contradictions’

Cambridge Muslim College, Cambridge, UK | (onsite) 2 July 2022.

‘What’s So Bad About Theological Contradictions’

A Global Philosophy of Religion Project: Philosophies of Appropriated Religions
in Southeast Asia Workshop, De La Salle University, Manila, Philippines |
12 November 2022.

Annual Islamic Philosophy Conference: Islamic Philosophy and Theology in Contemporary Engagements

Round Table Discussion, Cambridge, MA. | 2-4 December 2022.

‘Interactions Between Analytic and Islamic Philosophy / Theology’

Guest Editor with Marzuqa Karima for special issue | The European Journal of
Analytic Philosophy, Volume 18, No. 2, 2022.

Abbas Ahsan

'Introduction to the Special Issue on Interactions Between Analytic and Islamic Philosophy/Theology'

Ahsan, A., and Karima, M. (2022) | European Journal of Analytic Philosophy, 18(2), pp. S1-14.

'Torn Between the Contours of Logic: Exploring Logical Normativity in Islamic Philosophical Theology'

Ahsan, A., and Karima, M. (2022) | European Journal of Analytic Philosophy, 18(2), pp. S10-41.

Jonathan Duquette

'The Universality of Sanskrit: A Quest for Precision, Clarity and Beauty'

SRN Adarsh College, Bangalore, India | (online) 15 October 2020.

'Power, Independence and Divinity: A Śaiva Response to Veṅkaṭanātha's View of the Goddess'

46th Spalding Symposium on Indian religions, India | (online) 25 April 2021.

'Mystique de la parole sacrée: Remarques sur l'Advaita Vedanta'

Guest lecture, University of Montreal, Canada | (online) 8 June, 2021.

'Hierarchy, Identity and Transcendence: A Brief History of the Trimūrti'

The Global Philosophy of Religion Project Conference, University of Birmingham, UK | (online) 23 June 2021.

'On the Margins of Modernity: The Advaita of Rāmasubha Śāstri'

Rethinking Hinduism in Colonial India, Online conference, Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies | 5-6 February 2022.

Marie-Hélène Gorisse

'Strategies of Jain Philosophers to Have a Voice in the South Asian inter-doctrinal Debating Hall'

in the panel "Yes we Jain! Overcoming crises in the Jain tradition", EASR | (online) 2 September 2021.

Marie-Hélène Gorisse

‘Is Ravana the Universal Emperor? Questions of Reference in Prabhacandra's Semantic Viewpoint’

Lecturer and Main organiser of the Panel "Jain Philosophy: Perspectives on Non-One-Sidedness", American Academy of Religion (AAR) Annual Meeting, San Antonio | 20-23 November 2021.

‘Knowledge and liberation in Jainism: Characterizing the Self in the Samayasāra’

Lecture series "Religious Traditions of India", Ghent University | 1 December 2021.

‘Buddhist refutations of the existence of a Demiurge God’

The lecture following participation to a NEH funded Conference on Global Critical Philosophy of Religion: 'Topics, Categories, Questions', 18-19 March 2022; followed by a WABASH funded workshop to explore the pedagogy of global philosophy of religion, 20 March | Drake University (Des Moines, Iowa), 22 March.

‘Anekantavada and Religious Pluralism’

the Colloquium 'Jain Contributions to Interfaith Dialogue', University North Texas, Denton | 26 March 2022.

‘The Self is my right conduct. A Jain approach to philosophy of religion’

the JTF funded Symposium "New ways of doing philosophy of religion", U.Birmingham | 29-30 March 2022.

‘Competing Views of Freedom? Overcoming Karmic Bondage by Self-knowledge in Jainism’

lecture in the European Association for the Study of Religions (EASR) Annual Conference, Cork; Co-organizer with A. Bajzelj and T. Vekemans of the panel "Tensions of freedom in the Jain tradition" | 27 June 2022.

‘“He Who Thinks “I Kill” and “I am Killed” is an Ignorant Fool.” The Holistic Picture on Death and Immortality of the Jains’

the Global Philosophy of Religion JTF funded Conference 'Death and Immortality', Birmingham | 28-30 June 2022.

‘Dharmakirti against the Jain non-one-sidedness of things’

the Sixth International Dharmakirti Conference, Seoul | 22-26 August 2022.

Marie-Hélène Gorisse

‘The path of the omniscient: Knowledge, faith and liberation in Jainism’

the British Society for the Philosophy of Religion Fourteenth Conference 'Knowledge, Belief and Faith', Oriel College, Oxford | 1-3 September 2022.

‘Anekāntavāda once more: some new perspectives’

the Acharya Gyan Sagar lecture series | (online) 15 September 2022.

‘Epistemology in South Asian Religions’

Talk and discussion for the "Philosophical Society", a student organisation at the University of Birmingham | 25 October 2022.

‘Global-Critical Conceptions of Self and Persistence: South Asia, Africa, and East Asia’

Round table that led to the establishment of the permanent AAR Unit Global Critical Philosophy of Religion, of which I am the co-chair, AAR, Denver | 21 November 2022.

‘Evil, Suffering and Hope – South Asian approaches’

the Art and Poetry exhibition of Evil, Suffering and Hope, University of Birmingham | 1 Dec 2022.

‘Introduction to Nayavada’

the Arihant Academy Workshop organised by Anand Vaidya 'Perspectives on Perspectivalism' | (online) 9 April 2023.

‘Is the Jain Path immune to the Problem of Evil’

the Global Philosophy of Religion JTF funded Conference 'The Problem of Evil and Suffering', Waseda University, Tokyo | 21-23 April 2023

Mohsen Moghri

‘The Best Possible World, but Not for Us’

Global Philosophy of Religion Conference, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan | 22 April, 2023.

‘Metaphysical Grounding and New Prospects for Self-explanation’

School of Philosophy Seminar, Institute for Research in Fundamental Sciences, Tehran, Iran | 12 June, 2023.

Yujin Nagasawa

‘Ontological Argument’

King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, UK | (online) 7 October 2020.

‘The Problem of Evil for Atheists’

UWC Red Cross Nordic, Norway | (online) 22 October 2020.

‘Pro-Immortalism and Pro-Mortalism’

University of Southampton, UK | (online) 27 October 2020.

‘Evil and the Problem of Impermanence in Medieval Japanese Philosophy’

Munich Lecture in Philosophy of Religion, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany | (online) 21 April 2021.

‘A Panpsychist Dead End’

Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society and the Mind Association, University of Hertfordshire | (online) 17 July 2021.

Yujin Nagasawa

‘Pro-Immortalism and Pro-Mortalism’

the Union of Societies and Associations of Philosophy in the Philippines | (online)
22 July 2021.

‘Evil and the Problem of Impermanence I Medieval Japanese Philosophy’

University of Campinas, Brazil | (online) 13 July 2021.

‘Introduction to the Global Philosophy of Religion of Religion Project’

Book launch for an Indonesian translation of Richard Swinburne’s *Is there a God?* | (online) 7 October, 2022.

‘Evil and Impermanence in Medieval Japanese Philosophy’

Manchester Metropolitan University Undergraduate Philosophy Conference |
27 January, 2023.

‘Evil and Impermanence in Medieval Japanese Philosophy’

University of Macau, Macau | 12 April, 2023.

‘Evil and Impermanence in Medieval Japanese Philosophy’

Global Philosophy of Religion Conference, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan |
21 April, 2023.

‘Neutralising the Problem of Evil’

Philosophy in Southeast Asia Conference, National University of Singapore |
1 May, 2023.

‘The Problem of Evil for Axiarchists’

Philosophy of Religion Workshop in Manila, De La Salle University | 27 June 2023.

Martin Pickup

‘Indeterminacy in the Moment of Change’

Metaphysics Seminar Series, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Santiago, Chile | (online)
22 September 2021.

‘Where is God? Divine Presence and Location’

God and Time IV, University College, Dublin | 30 August 2022.

‘Heil-and-Morphism’

John Heil @ 80 conference, Durham University | 12 June 2023.

Comments on ‘The Slippery Slope of Perfect Being Theology’

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Abbas Ahsan

Guest Editor for special issue '**Interactions between analytic and Islamic philosophy/theology**', *The European Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, Volume 18, No. 2, 2022. <https://eujap.uniri.hr/volume-18-no-2-2022-forthcoming-special-issue-on-interactions-between-analytic-and-islamic-philosophy-theology-call-for-papers-open/>

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The most recent promotional push for this themed collection series is on the topic, "Islamic Problems and Perspectives in Philosophy of Religion". This targeted campaign has done fairly well reaching a high number of readerships in a very short period, and as such listing it as one of the 'top media philosophy tweets' of April.

This paid social campaign reached approximately 14,000 recipients and engaged with over 400 times. It was retweeted 20 times and liked approximately 50 times. The campaign also offered free access to the articles in the series for a limited time to attract key readership and drive usage. Articles included in the promotion were among the top-most downloaded following the launched of the campaign. The following is a quick usage stat garnered by the deployment of this campaign:

- *If analytic philosophy of religion is sick, can it be cured?* downloaded 317 times versus 15 downloads the earlier months.
- *The Problem of Suffering in the Qur'an* downloaded approximately 232 times versus 0 the earlier months.
- *Some Ruminations About Inculpable Non-Belief* downloaded 133 times versus 3 the earlier months.

Podcasts

The Panpsycast Philosophy Podcast

Episode 93,
7 March 2021

['The Philosophy of Hinduism' with Jessica Frazier](#)
(Part I – Fundamental Reality)

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14 March 2021

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(Part II-Death, Evil, and Suffering)

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30 May 2021

['The William Lane Craig Interview](#)
(Part I – Reasonable Faith)?

Episode 99,
6 June 2021

['The William Lane Craig Interview](#)
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Episode 110,
31 July 2022

['The Philosophy of Islam' with Mohammad Saleh Zarepour](#)
(Part I - Allāh)

Episode 110,
14 August 2022

['The Philosophy of Islam' with Mohammad Saleh Zarepour](#)
(Part II - Further Analysis and Discussion)

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23 October 2022

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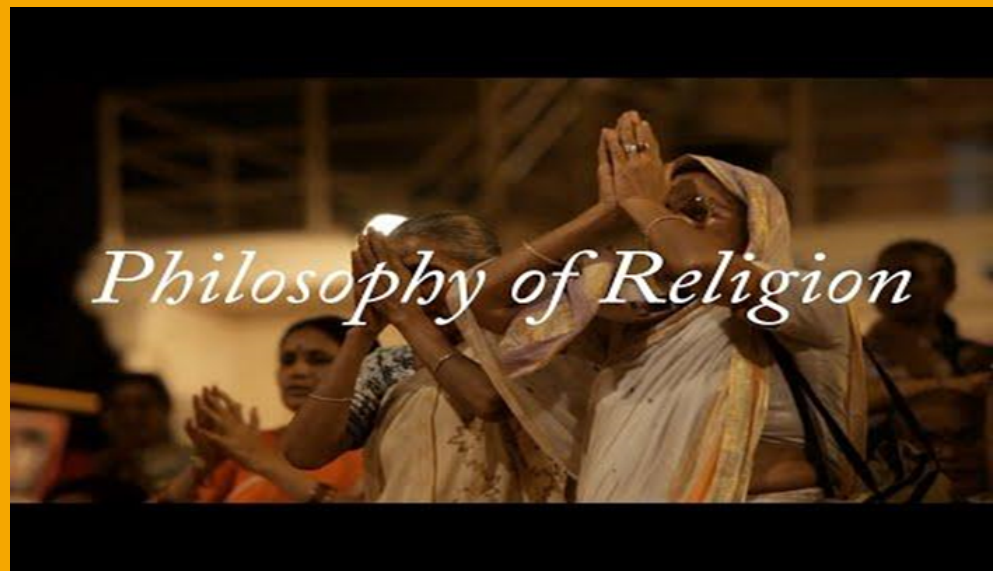
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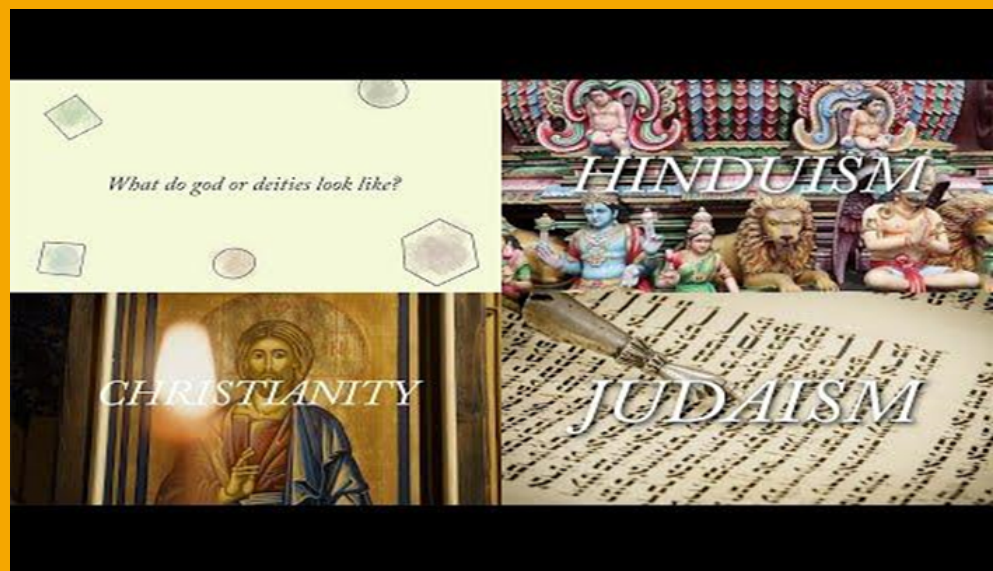
Video Interviews



Video 1

Introduction to the Global
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Video Interviews



Video 2

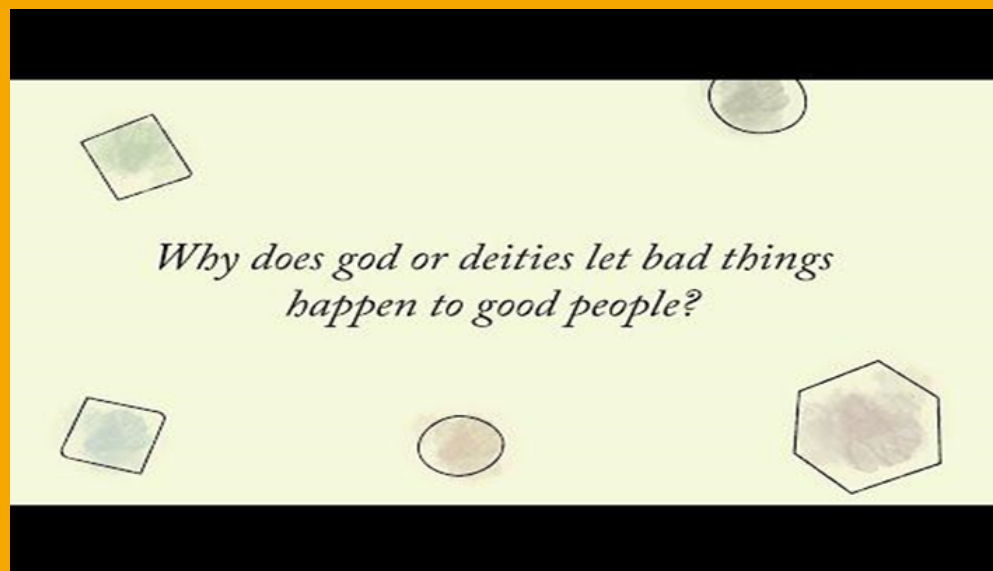
What Do God or Deities Look Like?

Interviewees

Hinduism: Swami Medhananda (Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University), **Christianity:** Elizabeth Jackson (Ryerson University), **Judaism:** Lawrence Kaplan (McGill University)

Video Interviews

Video 3



Why Does God or Deities Let Bad Things Happen to Good People?

Interviewees

Dr. Bakinaz Abdalla (University of Birmingham), Professor Elizabeth Jackson (Ryerson University), Dr. Bhikku Bodhi (Buddhist Publication Society)

Video Interviews



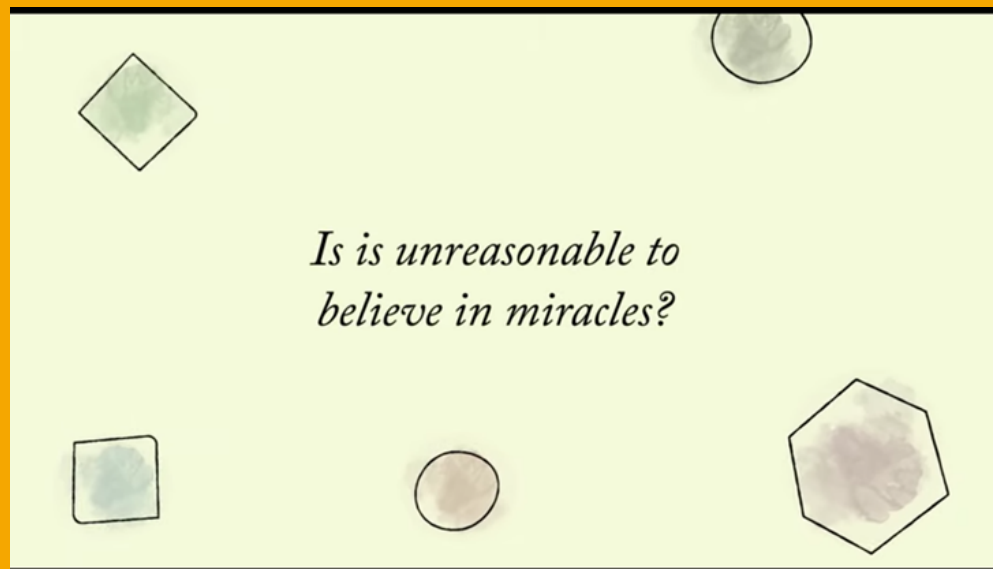
Video 4

What Happens After We Die?

Interviewees

Professor Elizabeth Jackson (Ryerson University), Professor Swami Medhananda (Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University), Dr. Bhikku Bodhi (Buddhist Publication Society)

Video Interviews



Video 5

Is It Unreasonable to Believe in Miracles?

Interviewees

Swami Medhananda (Hinduism), Bakinaz Abdalla (Islam),
Lawrence Kaplan (Judaism)

Video Interviews

Marie-Hélène Gorisse

Cross Cultural Conceptions of the Self:
entries and short video on

**"karmic bondage (*bandha*)",
"renunciation (*parityāga*)" and
"exercise of consciousness (*upayoga*)" in Jainism**

In the small project funded by the JTF, led by
Nathan Loewen:

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Bakinaz Abdalla

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Jonathan Duquette

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Mohsen Moghri

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Marie-Hélène Gorisse

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Yujin Nagasawa

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Closer To Truth multiple TV episodes and YouTube videos for the Global Philosophy of Religion series

Relevant Work Beyond Our Project

Special Issues
Book Series
Books

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Bloomsbury.

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Philosophy Across Borders, Oxford University Press

(Series Editors: Kristi Dotson, Bronwyn Finnigan,
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Books

New PhD Students

New PhD Students

Harold Barrett

(From Spring 2022; impermanence and evil)

Ryan Maze

(From Autumn 2021; the ontological argument and omnipotence)

Julio Bueno

(From Autumn 2021; God and infinity)

Shivanand Sharma

(From Autumn 2020; Vaishnavism and the Problem of Consciousness)

Marshall Naylor

(From Autumn 2020; Maximal God)

Julio Bueno

(From Autumn 2021; God and Mathematical Objects)

Ian Davies

(From Autumn 2021; Informational Realism and the Human Soul)

Andrew Blanton

(From Autumn 2022; the problem of divine hiddenness and the cognitive science of religion)

Jamie Turner

(From Autumn 2022; Ibn Taymiyya & Natural Theology: A Fitra-Based Approach)

Additional Funding

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- AHRC Midlands4Cities Doctoral Training Partnership to fund Andrew Blanton's PhD project on divine hiddenness, approx. Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) £62,000.
- AHRC Midlands4Cities Doctoral Training Partnership to fund Jamie Turner's PhD project on Ibn Taymiyya, approx. Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) £62,000.
- An internal fund to host José Eduardo Porcher as a Brazil Visiting Fellow at the Birmingham Centre for Philosophy of Religion, £3,850.
- Donation from a global Jain community to create an Assistant Professorship in Jain Studies, an Assistant Professorship in the Ethics of Non-Violence and a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Jain Studies, \$1.5 million.
- CAL Research Seed-Fund, University of Birmingham, £2,000.
- Grant to support a postdoctoral research fellow from Ukraine, the Ukraine Emergency Fund, University of Birmingham, £5,552.
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (UKRI Guarantee) grant to host Mohsen Moghri as an MSCA Postdoctoral Research Fellow, UKRI, €220,908.
- Co-PI, 'New Ways of Doing Philosophy of Religion: Interdisciplinary and Global Perspectives', Research England's Quality-Related Research Strategic Priorities Funding, University of Birmingham, £15,771.
- Martin Pickup is a team member and international collaborator for 'Providence and Free Will in the models of Classical Theism and Analytic Theism' project, University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation (€34,215). The project will organise two international conferences in June 2023 and June 2024, in which Pickup will participate.
- Nagasawa and Pickup have been awarded M4C Doctoral Scholarship for their new PhD student Andrew Blanton (£20,658 pa)
- Abbas Ahsan has been awarded a Postdoc Stipend for his project 'Foundations of Contemporary Logic in Islamic Philosophical Theology' by the Fritz Thyssen Foundation 24,000 Euro

Awards

Awards

Kally Bhartti

winner of the Shine Award Scheme, which “enables any members of professional services staff at the University of Birmingham who consistently does an excellent job and frequently exceed expectations”, January 2022.

Yujin Nagasawa

Isaac Manasseh Meyer Visiting Fellowship, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 2023.

Martin Pickup

Runner-up in 2023 Sanders Prize in Philosophy of Religion

Further Posts for Postdoctoral Fellows

Jonathan Duquette:

4-year Leverhulme Research Fellowship, University of Cambridge

Mohammad Saleh Zarepour:

Lectureship in Philosophy (permanent post), University of Manchester

Bakinaz Abadalla:

3-year Miller Postdoctoral Fellow in History of Islamic Philosophy,
Department of Philosophy, Johns Hopkins University
(withdrawn for personal reasons)

Abbas Ahsan:

1-year Postdoctoral Stipend, Fritz Thyssen Foundation, Germany

Marie-Hélène Gorisse:

Assistant Professor in Jain Studies (permanent post),
University of Birmingham

Further Posts for Postdoctoral Fellows

