

Chris Atkinson

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AOS: The Nature and Normativity of Belief

AOC: Philosophy of Mind, Epistemology, Aesthetics

Employment

2025–Present	Postdoctoral Researcher	Hokkaido University, JP
2019–2024	Visiting Assistant Lecturer/Part-time Lecturer (intermittent contracts)	University of Hong Kong
2017–2024	Visiting Assistant Lecturer/Part-time Lecturer	Lingnan University, H.K.

Education

2014–2018	Ph.D. in Philosophy Thesis: <i>On Belief: Aims, Norms, and Functions</i> Supervisors: Darrell Rowbottom & Jennifer Nado Examiners: Eric Schwitzgebel & Andrea Sauchelli Award: Outstanding (no corrections)	Lingnan University, H.K.
2013–2014	M.A. in Philosophy and History of Science Award: Distinction	University of Bristol, U.K.
2010–2013	B.A. in Philosophy Award: First-Class Honours	University of Hull, U.K.

Papers

Peer Reviewed (*invited papers)

Forth.	Three Kinds of Suspended Belief (w/ Kengo Miyazono). The Philosophical Quarterly
Forth.*	The Explanatory Burden of a Heterogeneous Account of Delusions (w/ Kengo Miyazono). Philosophy, Psychiatry, and Psychology
2025	The Aesthetic Value of Diverse Beliefs. The Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism
2022*	Beliefs, Delusions, and Dry-Functionalism. Asian Journal of Philosophy
2021	The Aim of Belief and Suspended Belief. Philosophical Psychology
2019	Weighing Aims in Doxastic Deliberation. Synthese

Popular Media

- 2025 An Ontological Disproof of the Devil? **Daily Philosophy**
- 2019 What's it like to be a philosopher in Hong Kong? **The Philosophers' Cocoon**

Teaching Experience

The University of Hong Kong: Full Course Responsibility

- 2019-2024 **Bachelor's Courses**
 Hellenistic Philosophy
 Moral Problems
 Philosophy and Literature
 Mind and Language

Lingnan University: Full Course Responsibility

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| 2017-2024 | Bachelor's Courses | Master's Courses |
| | Philosophy of Mind | Philosophy and Literature |
| | Understanding Morality | Understanding Religion |
| | Logic and Critical Thinking | Aesthetics & Phil. of Art |
| | Introduction to Philosophy | Media Ethics |
| | Ancient Greek Philosophy | Mind, Creativity, & Imagination |
| | Puzzles and Paradoxes | |
| | Cinema & Philosophy | |
| | Applied Ethics | |

As Advisor at the University of Hong Kong

- 2024 Multiple M.A. Dissertations (Capstone Projects)

As Teaching Assistant at the University of Hong Kong

- 2024 Master of Arts in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (MAPPE)
 2023-2024 Master of Arts in AI, Ethics, and Society (MAAIES)

As Advisor at Lingnan University

- 2022-2024 Multiple M.A. Dissertations (Capstone Projects)
 2018-2019 B.A. Dissertation: Responding to Gettier

As Teaching Assistant at Lingnan University

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| 2015-2016 | Philosophy of Science | B.A. (w/ Darrell Rowbottom) |
| | Philosophy of Religion | B.A. (w/ Andrea Sauchelli) |

Teaching Qualification

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| 2015-2016 | Learning and Teaching Development Program | Lingnan University |
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Talks

- 2025

- April **Three Species of Suspended Belief**
Philosophy Workshop, Hokkaido University, Japan
- 2018**
- November **Weighing Aims in Doxastic Deliberation**
Frontiers of Epistemology Conference, Yonsei University, Seoul
- April **The Aim of Belief and Withheld Belief**
The 6th Seoul Philosophy Graduate Conference, Seoul National University
- March **An Imaginative Look at the Ontology of Dreams**
Imagination Workshop, Lingnan University, Hong Kong
- 2017**
- May **Theories of Belief and Suspension**
Lingnan University, Hong Kong
- April **The Aim of Belief and Withheld Belief**
The 19th Annual Rocky Mountain Philosophy Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2016**
- May **Are Beliefs Regulated for Truth?**
Philosophy and the World Conference, National University Taiwan
- 2015**
- November **Are Beliefs Regulated for Truth?**
Sun Yat-sen University & Lingnan University Workshop, Lingnan University
- May **The Aim of Belief: A Natural Perspective**
Lingnan University, Hong Kong

Grants and Awards

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| 2014-2017 | Hong Kong Ph.D. Fellowship Scheme
Research Grants Council of Hong Kong | HKD 750,000 |
| 2013 | Undergraduate Philosophy Dissertation Award
University of Hull | GBP 100 |
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University of Hull | GBP 100 |

Professional Service

Reviewer for:

Philosophia, *Philosophical Explorations*, *Asian Journal of Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism*, *DailyPhilosophy.com*, *Southern Journal of Philosophy*.

Research Assistant

- 2016 **Research Assistant:** Personal Identity, Survival, and Human Enhancements
Project Leader: Andrea Sauchelli
- 2015 **Research Assistant:** The Instrument of Science
Project Leader: Darrell Rowbottom

Referees

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