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Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Macerata
Postgraduate Specialization in Cognitive Sciences and Philosophy of Mind, University of Siena
Postgraduate Specialization in Philosophy and Psychology, University of Macerata
B.A./M.A. in Philosophy, *Magna cum Laude*, University of Macerata

Professional Qualifications

- National Scientific Habilitation: *Associate Professorship* in Philosophy, MIUR (Italian Ministry of Education, University, and Research)
- National Habilitation: Instructor of Philosophy and History in Upper Secondary Education (Liceo), MIUR (Italian Ministry of Education, University, and Research)

Present Position

- Associate Professor of Philosophy, *Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies*, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Macau (from 08/2017).
- Primary Faculty of the *Center for Cognition and Brain Science* (CCBS), Institute of Collaborative Innovation, University of Macau (from 07/2019); Member of the Brain Language and Cognition Group (CCBS).

Appointments held in the past

2019 (1st Term) Short-term Visiting Professor at the Department of Philosophy, University of Turin, Italy
08/2010-07/2017 Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Macau
2008-2010 Post-doc Fellow and Lecturer, University of Macerata
2008-2010 Research Tutor at the Scuola di Studi Superiori Leopardi, University of Macerata
2007 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA (U.S.A.)
2008-10 Research Fellowship, Department of Psychology, University of Macerata
2006-08 Lecturer and Research Fellow, University of Macerata

Areas

Specialization: Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Psychology.

Competence: Aesthetics, Epistemology, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Cognitive Sciences.

Research topics: Theories for Indexical Reference; Fictional Entities; Irrational Beliefs; Self-Knowledge and Self-Deception.

Awards and Distinctions

2016 *FAH Award for Excellence in Teaching*, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Macau
2008-10 Selected Academic Research Tutor for the Centre of Excellence 'Scuola di Studi Superiori Leopardi', University of Macerata

Research Projects and Funding

Ongoing:

- 2021-2023 ICI-CCBS research grant: Title: *Neurocognitive Investigation of Executive Functions in Cross-lingual Processing*, Brain and Language Cognition Group, CCBS, ICI (PI: Prof. Defeng Li; CRG group members: Prof. Zhen Yuan, Prof. Victoria Lei, Prof. Nevia Dolcini, Prof. Rueysong Huang, Prof. Haiyan Wu, Prof. Barry Lee Reynolds, Prof. Juan Zhang, Prof. Ana Nunes, Prof. Ming Yan)
- 2020-2022 External Research Fund, Specialized Subsidy Scheme for Macau Higher Institutions in the Area of Research in Humanities and Social Sciences. Title: *The Moral Roots of Quarantine: a comparative study of the moral dimension of quarantine in pandemics across East and West* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), 353.000 MOP.
- 2020-21 Multi Year Research Grant. Title: *Sensing Without Perceiving: on the Metaphysics of Hallucination* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), 113.000 MOP, University of Macau.

Completed:

- 2018-2020 Multi Year Research Grant. Title: *Self-Deception Across East and West* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), 160.000 MOP, University of Macau.
- 2017-2020 Multi Year Research Grant. Title: *Literary Analysis, Analytical Philosophy, and the Historical Novel* (PI: Matthew Gibson; Co-I: Nevia Dolcini), 316.800 MOP, University of Macau.
- 2017-2018, Special Research Funding. Title: *Irrational Thoughts* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), MOP 75.000 MOP, University of Macau.
- 2011-2016 Multi Year Research Grant. Title: *The Logic of Meta-Cognition* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), 617.700 MOP, University of Macau.
- 2011-2012 Start Up Research Grant. Title: *Indexicals in Fiction* (PI: Nevia Dolcini), 99.700 MOP, University of Macau.
- 2007-2010 Research Project of National Interest (PRIN). Title: *Metaphysics and Science* (PI: Francesco Orilia; Co-I: Nevia Dolcini), University of Macerata.

Other Awarded Grants (selected)

- 2015 Conference Fund Grant & FTREF, Workshop: *The Roots of Fiction: Imagination and Possibilities*, UM
- 2015 Conference Fund Grant & FTREF, 2nd International Conference on Natural Cognition: *Rationality and its Rivals*, UM
- 2013 Conference Fund Grant, 1st International Conference on Natural Cognition: *Logic, Evolution, Organisms*, UM
- 2009-10 Post-doctoral Research Grant, Department of Communication, University of Macerata. Title: *Saliency, perception, and indexicality*.
- 2006-08 Research Grant, Department of Psychology, University of Macerata. Title: *Pre-linguistic and Linguistic Indexicals as precursors in the Theory of Mind*.

Teaching

2021 (University of Macau): Introduction to Western Philosophy; Philosophy of Language; Special Topics in Philosophy.

2010-2020 (University of Macau): Introduction to Western Philosophy; Philosophy of Language; Philosophy of Mind; Contemporary Philosophy; Ancient and Medieval Philosophy; Foundations of Moral Values (GE); Global Justice and Ethic Values (GE).

2007-2010 (University of Macerata): Philosophy of Language; Philosophy of Perception; Principles of Reasoning; Philosophy of Psychology; Theory and Techniques of Language; Didactics of Modern Philosophy/Philosophy of Mind; Teaching Support for Developmental Psychology

2007 Spring Semester (*Visiting Assistant Professor* at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, U.S.A.): Principles of Reasoning (undergraduate course); Philosophical Issues: The Analytic/Continental Divide (graduate course).

2002-2006 (University of Macerata): Semiotics; Theory and Techniques of Language; Teaching Assistant for Logic, Philosophy of Language and Semiotics.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Thesis Supervision

Ph.D. Thesis Supervision:

Incoming:

- Saibiayi Alimu (Topic: Fictionalism), starting date August 2021.

Ongoing:

- Veronica Valle (Topic: *Hallucinations and Sense of Presence*), completion expected in 2021.

Completed:

- Mario Echano (Ph.D. degree obtained on July 31 2018; current position: Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Ateneo de Manila University). Title: *The Motivating Influences on Self-Deception: Philosophical Considerations*.
- Liu Yue Millie (Thesis Defense passed on July 31 2020, Ph.D. degree obtained on December 2020; current position: Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Southwest University of Finance and Economics in Chengdu) Title: *The Threefold Authority of First-Person Attributions*.

Supervision of MA Thesis Supervision (2006-10, University of Macerata):

- Carletti, E., *Advertising Ethics: communicative strategies of the multinational organizations after the experience of no-global movements*;
- Pascucci, A., *Non-Verbal Communication: an analysis based on the theory of Nelson Goodman*;
- Gironella, M., *Implicit Communication in Advertising Verbal Texts*;
- Venturi Quattrini, V., *Metaphors in Advertising: the case of "Elica"*;
- Del Bello, A., *Pubblicità Progresso: the Italian case in social advertising*.

Supervision of BA Thesis/Qualification (2006-10, University of Macerata):

- Di Cecco, L. *Saying and Implicating: a pragmatic analysis of implicit meaning in verbal communication*;
- Ferrazzani, E., *The Implicit in Inferential Reasoning*;
- Ciaramboli, E., *The Contribution of Luigia Camaioni to the Study of Indexical Gestures*;
- Addarii I., *Autism and the Theory of Mind*;
- Marcorelli, M., *The Relationship between Simulationism and Mirror Neuron Theory*;
- Cutolo S., *Stanislas Dehaene: the contribution of neuroscience to the science of education*.

Editorial Duties:

- Referee/Reviewer for academic journals: *Synthese*; *Journal of Consciousness Studies*; *Topoi*; *AphEx (Analytica and Philosophical Explanation)*; *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*; *Frontiers of Philosophy in China*.
- Scientific Advisory Board Member: *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*; *Philosophical Inquiries*.

Official Service at FAH/UM:

Current/Ongoing Academic Service (FAH, UM):

- (2020-21) FAH Dean Representative for the Senate *General Education Committee*
- (2020-21) Coordinator for the *Philosophy and Religious Studies Lecture Series*, a.a. 2021-21
- (2020-21) Member of the *Selection Panel for MSD programme - Master in Data Science "Computational Linguistics"*
- (2020-21) Member of the *FAH Faculty Development Committee*
- (2015-2020) Member of *Program Planning Committee* for BA in Philosophy and Religious Studies
- (2016-present) Member of the *PhD Advisory Board* for Philosophy and Religious Studies (in the role of Chair, Member, Working Secretary)

- (2016-present) Member of the *PhD Qualifying Examination* Committee for Philosophy and Religious Studies
- (2017-present) Academic Advisor and activity coordinator for the UM Student Philosophy Association
- (2015-2018) Member of the Task Force for Students Orientation
- (2010-2020) Member of the Unit Executive Committee
- (2017-present) Affiliated Fellow of Moon Chun Memorial College, UM. Most representative activities for MCMC:

- Guest speaker for RC students “European Community Special Series”: Invited talk “Love & Beauty. An Italian Journey” (13 November 2018)
- Special Guest Speech for RC students on 28 March 2019 (MCMC Fellows Gathering and High Table)

Past Academic Service (FAH, UM):

- (2019-20) *General Education Area Coordinator* in Literature and Humanities
- (2017-2018) Unit member representative for the organization of the activities for the *UM OPEN DAY 2017 & 2018*. Activities launched and organized: The Sphynx (with the production of short videos); the Philosophy Treasure Hunt
- (2018) Unit member representative for the organization of the activities for the *FAH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE DAY 2018*
- (2018-19) Member of the *FAH Teaching Awards Committee*
- (2018-19) Coordinator (with Prof. Moutinho) of the *FAH Bentobox Lecture Series*
- (2015-2018) Member of the Task Force for Students Orientation
- (2014-2018) Representative for the Senate *Library Committee*
- (2013-14) Member of the *Faculty Development Committee*
- (2011) Program Coordinator of the Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme
- (2010-15) Service for the *Mentorship Program*
- (2015-17) Affiliated Fellow of Lui Che Woo College, UM

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Dolcini, N. (2012). *This is not a Book: Essays on Fictionality*. Eum, Macerata.

Dolcini, N. (2009). *Le parole e i sensi. Una teoria degli indicicali basata sulla percezione* [Words and Senses. A perception-based theory for indexical reference]. Eum, Macerata.

Articles:

Dolcini, N. (2020), “Doing Philosophy in Times of Globalization”, *Revista de Cultura*, 64, pp. 18-25.

Dolcini, N. (2018), “Moral Beliefs and Cognitive Homogeneity”, *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*, vol. 9 (1), pp. 89-94.

Gozli, D.G., Dolcini, N. (2018). “Reaching into the Unknown: Actions, Goal Hierarchies, and Explorative Agency”, *Frontiers in Psychology*, 9, 266. doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2018.00266

Dolcini, N. (2016). “The Phantasmatic ‘I’. On Imagination-based Uses of the First-Person Pronoun Across Fiction and Non-fiction”, *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*, vol. 7 (3), pp. 321-337.

Piazza, M., Dolcini, N. (2015). “Possibilities Regained. Neo-Lewisian Contextualism and Ordinary Life”, *Synthese*, pp. 1-20. doi: 10.1007/s11229-015-0963-2

Dolcini, N. (2015). “The Mixed-Blessing of Psychological Explanations”, *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*, vol. 6 (2), pp. 335-340.

- Dolcini, N. (2012). "The World and Other Stories", *Revue Internationale de Philosophie*, p. 483-491.
- Dolcini, N. (2011). "La Bergmann-Renaissance", *Paradigmi*, 3, pp. 191-198.
- Dolcini, N. (2010). "Minding the Developmental Gap: a Theoretical Analysis of the Theory of Mind Data", *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 17, No. 7-8, pp. 37-46.
- Dolcini, N. (2010). "Indexicals and Perception", *Rivista Italiana di Filosofia del Linguaggio*, n. 2, pp. 19-41.
- Dolcini, N. (2008). "The Attribution of Intentional States in Preverbal Children", *Gestalt Theory*, 30 (4), pp. 419-424.
- Dolcini, N. (2007). "The Analytic/Continental Divide: Entities and Being", *Soochow Journal of Philosophical Studies*, n.16, pp. 283-302.
- Dolcini, N. (2006). "La traduzione e le implicature conversazionali" [Translation and Conversational Implicatures], *Heteroglossia*, n. 9, pp. 179-198.
15. Dolcini, N. (2005). "Gli indicali come strumento del discorso. Semantica e pragmatica degli indicali nelle teorie di Reichenbach e Benveniste" [Indexicals as discourse tools], *Annali della Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia dell'Università di Macerata*, XXXVIII, pp. 397-409.
- Dolcini, N. (2005). "Personaggi fittizi e 'coefficienti di concretezza'" [Fictional Characters and 'degrees of concreteness'], *Rivista di Estetica*, 30 (3), pp. 238-243.
- Dolcini, N., Gagliano, M. (2005). "Corpi come segni. Per un approccio semio-pragmatico alla relazione terapeutica" [Bodies as Signs: A semio-pragmatic approach to the therapeutic relationship], *E/C Rivista dell'Associazione Italiana di Studi Semiotici*, pp. 1-10.
- Dolcini, N. (2004). "Approccio neuropsicologico agli aspetti della multimedialità" [Towards a Neuropsychological Approach to Multimedia], *Annali della Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia dell'Università di Macerata*, XXXVII, pp. 99-118.
- Dolcini, N. (2003). "Gli indicali tra referenzialismo e descrittivismo" [Indexicals: Referentialism vs Descriptivism], *Annali della Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia dell'Università di Macerata*, XXXVI, pp. 31-56, 2003.

Chapters in Volumes:

- Dolcini, N. (2016). "Philosophy made Visual: an Experimental Study", in L. Magnani and C. Casadio (Eds.), *Model-Based Reasoning in Science and Technology. Logical, Epistemological, and Cognitive Issues*, Springer, Berlin, pp. 101-118.
- Dolcini, N. (2016). "The Pragmatics of Self-Deception", in Felling L. et al. (Eds.), *New Directions in Logic and the Philosophy of Science*, College Publications, Cambridge, pp. 67-76.
- Dolcini, N. (2014). "A 'Kind of Glue': Castañeda on Fiction", in A. Palma (Ed.), *Castañeda and his Guises: Essays on the Work of Hector-Neri Castañeda*, de Gruyter, Berlin-Boston, pp. 25-38.
- Dolcini, N. (2011). "The Phenomenological Words", in Tymieniecka A.-T. (Ed.), *Transcendentalism Overturned*, Springer, Dordrecht, pp. 663-674.
- Dolcini, N. (2011). "Come si va dal non dire al pensare" [From the unsaid towards the thought], in Verducci, D. (Ed.) *La comunicazione come questione antropologica*, eum, Macerata, pp. 105-118.

Dolcini, N. (2010). “Il contributo della teoria del linguaggio alla creazione di un testo pubblicitario” [The theory of language and the creation of an advertising text: some contributions], in Papakristo, P. (Ed.), *Comunicare l'Università*, eum, Macerata, pp. 33-40.

Dolcini, N. (2010). “Is the migration of ficta fiction?”, in Raspa, V. (Ed.), *The Aesthetics of the Graḡ School*, Ontos Verlag (de Gruyter), Berlin, pp. 237-260.

Dolcini, N. (2009). “Indicali linguistici e gesti indicali” [Linguistic Indexical and Indexical Gestures], in Gambarara, D., Givigliano, A. (Eds.), *Origine e sviluppo del linguaggio: fra teoria e storia*, Aracne, Roma, pp. 303-309.

Dolcini, N. (2007). “La comprensione degli enunciati indicali” [The Comprehension of indexical terms], in D. Femia, R. Petrilli (Eds.), *Il filo del discorso. Intrecci testuali, articolazioni linguistiche, composizioni logiche*, Aracne, Roma, pp. 125-139.

Dolcini, N. (2006). “Implicare e tradurre” [Translating implicatures], in Pititto, R., Venezia S. (Eds.), *Tradurre e comprendere. Pluralità dei linguaggi e delle culture*, Aracne, Roma, pp. 503-510.

Orilia, F., Dolcini, N. (2005). “Il pronome ‘Io’. Dati protofilosofici” [The ‘I’: Protophilosophical data], in *L'io allo specchio*, Edizioni Simple, Macerata, pp. 61-75.

Dolcini, N. (2005). “Borges e il problema dell'identità” [Borges and the Problem of Identity], in Ricci, G. N. (Ed.), *Borges: Identità, Pluralismo, Conoscenza*, Giuffrè Editore, Milano, pp. 167-175.

Conference papers:

Dolcini, N. (2019). “Data and Theories: a Reflection of Philosophical Method”, in “Philosophy Forum in Zhuhai: Methodology”, Sun Yat-sen University (SYSU), pp. 93-102.

Reviews and Critical Notice (invited):

Dolcini, N., Angelucci, A. (2016). “Rationality and its Rivals”, *The Reasoner*, 10(2), p. 12.

Dolcini, N. (2015). “Human Reasoning”, <http://imperfectcognitions.blogspot.com/>

Dolcini, N. (2010). “I problemi dell'intenzionalità”, *L'Indice*.

On-going Works (selected)

- *Indexicals, Perception, and Imagination*, Springer (book proposal accepted. Now in preparation)
- “Hector-Neri Castañeda on Diaphilosophy as “True Philosophy”” (forthcoming), *Philosophy East and West*
- “Self-deception and Action”, (paper draft, forthcoming) *Frontiers of Philosophy in China*
- *Actual Hallucinations: on the mismatch between indistinguishability and perception-likeness*, with V. Valle (paper draft)
- *Indexical Thoughts: on the Intrinsic Indexicality of Intentionality* (paper draft)
- “Phantasmatic Context: the Role of Imagination in Deictic Discourse” (paper draft)
- “On Being Foolish” (paper draft)
- “Women at War: Female Images in Pandemics” (with V. Valle, in preparation)
- *The Moral Roots of Quarantine: a comparative study of the moral dimension of quarantine in pandemics across East and West*, N. Dolcini and M. Wenning (Eds.), book proposal to be submitted to CUNY press

TALKS AND LECTURES (2018-2021)

International Conferences (Keynote)

- *Possibilità e Credenze*, conference “David K. Lewis: Quale Eredità?”, University of St. Andrews/Arché-University of Milan-University of Bologna, September 10 2021 (on Zoom)
- *On Philosophical Method and “Pluralism”*, Lisbon-Macau Philosophy Symposium, University of Lisbon, 11-12 December 2019.
- *Liars and Self-Liars: a Pragmatic Analysis of Self-Deception*, 2019 Philosophy Forum, University of Peking, 29 Nov-1 December 2019.

- *On Philosophical Method and Pluralism*, Singapore - Hong Kong – Macau Symposium on Chinese Philosophy, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 24-25 May 2019.
- *Data & Theories: a Reflection on Philosophical Method*, Methods Philosophy Forum, Sun Yat-sen University, Zhuhai 12-14 April 2019.
- *Self-Deception and Action*, Tokyo Workshop on Agency and Cognition 2019, Tokyo, 16-20 February 2019.
- *The Moral Significance of Memory Performances*, Symposium “Authenticity and Representation”, Hong Kong Poly U & Confucius Institute of Hong Kong, 13 March 2018.

International Conferences/Workshops (Contributed Papers)

- Dolcini N., Valle V., *'Italian Heroes': the role of gender-specific images in the public discourse around the COVID-19 pandemics in Italy*, INTERFACEing 2021 “Pandemics & Plagues, Languages & Literatures”, National Taiwan University, October 1-2 2021.
- *Rationality and Self-Knowledge*, Book Launch, Bortolotti L, Miyazono K., *Philosophy of Psychology: an Introduction*, Polity Press 2021, University of Birmingham, 28 June 2021 (on Zoom).
- *Women at War: the War Metaphor and the Italian Power Structure in Covid-19 Pandemic*, Workshop on Patriarchy, SWIP Italy, 15 January 2021 (on Zoom).
- *On Being Foolish*, the 24th World Congress of Philosophy “Learning to be Human”, Peking University, Peking, 17 August 2018.
- *Neural and Phenomenal Level of Cognition: the Case of Indiscernibility*, Midterm Conference AISC (Italian Association for Cognitive Science) 2018 “Levels of Cognition”, University of Genoa, Genoa, 27 June 2018.

Invited Lectures

- Forum Speaker at the CTLE Half-Day Faculty Development Workshop, University of Macau, 8 September 2021.
- *TbA*, Neurotalk Salon, CCBS-ICI, University of Macau, July 9, 2021.
- *On Being Foolish: A Pragmatic Analysis of Self-Deception*, Bentobox Lecture Series, FAH, University of Macau, December 16, 2020.
- *The intersection of Neuroscience and Philosophy: the case of Hallucinations*, 1st Annual Workshop in Cognitive and Brain Sciences, CCBS, University of Macau, 21 September 2019.
- *Self-Deception and Communication*, philosophy seminar, Chung Cheng University, Taiwan, 5 June 2019.
- *'Indiscernibility' and 'Unlikeness' in the Study of Hallucinations*, philosophy seminar, University of Macerata, Macerata, 15 May 2019.
- *States of Hallucination: a Reflection between Philosophy and Science*, Marche Polytechnic University, Department of Medicine, Ancona, 14 May 2019.
- *'Indiscernibility' and 'Unlikeness' in the Study of Hallucinations*, philosophy seminar, University of Trento, 8 May 2019.
- *Self-Deception and Communication*, philosophy seminar, University of Genoa, 3 May 2019.
- *On Being Foolish: A Pragmatic Account of Self-Deception*, LLC (Logic Language Cognition Center) seminar, University of Turin, 2 May 2019.
- *On Love and Beauty: An Italian Journey*, EU Lectures, Moon Chun Memorial College, University of Macau, 13 November 2018.

TALKS AND LECTURES (2000-2017)

- *Indexical Uses and Context: a Bühlerian Account of Indexical Reference*, ECAP 9 European Congress of Analytic Philosophy, LMU Munich, 21-26 August 2017;
- *Reaching into the Unknown: Explorative Agency and Indeterminate Goals*, ISTP 2017, The 17th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Theoretical Psychology, Tokyo, 21-25 August 2017.
- *Vacuous Perceptions. Bridging Possible and Actual Hallucinations*, SILFS 2017 (Triennial International Conference of the Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Sciences), University of Bologna, Bologna, 20-23 June 2017.
- *Irrational Beliefs and Collective Emotions*, 31st International Congress of Psychology, Yokohama, July 24-29 2016.
- *Knowledge and the Imagination of (Actualized) Possibilities*, The Roots of Fiction: Possibilities and Imagination, University of Macau, 5-6 December 2015.
- *Philosophy made Visual: an Experimental Study*, MBRO'15 (Model Based Reasoning in Science and Technology), University of Pavia, Sestri Levante, 25-27 June 2015.
- *Neo-Lewisian Contextualism and Ordinary Life*, Lingnan University, Hong Kong, 13 April 2015.

- *Indexical Utterances: referential mechanisms and situational constraints*, 1ST International Symposium on Cognitive Research on Translating and Interpreting, *Centre for Studies of Translation, Interpreting, and Cognition*, University of Macau, 11-12 December 2014.
- *Is Self-Deception Deceptive?*, International Congress of Philosophy, PYTT14, Singapore, 24 November 2014.
- *Workshop on Analytical Philosophy and Contemporary Philosophy*, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, November 14-16 2014.
- *Context, Indexical, and Perception*, Symposium on the Biological Foundations of Language, University of Macau, 9-10 November 2014.
- *Self-Deception without Deception*, SILFS 2014 (Triennial International Conference of the Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Sciences), Rome, 18-20 June 2014.
- *The Evolution and Function of Reasoning* (with M. Piazza), *Natural Cognition: Logic Evolution, Organisms*, University of Macau, 13-14 December 2013.
- *A Robust Sense of Fiction*, Hong Kong University, September 2012.
- *The Problem of Unconscious Phenomena in Phenomenological Practices*, 62nd International Congress of Phenomenology, Lucernaire Centre National d'Art et d'Essai, Paris, 8-10 August 2012.
- *Indexicals and Phantoms*, University of Urbino, May 2012.
- *Crossing the Boundaries between Fiction and Reality*, ECAP 7 (European Congress of Analytic Philosophy), University of Milan, 1-6 September 2011.
- *Fictional Objects and Existence*, Workshop, University of Chieti-Pescara, October 2010.
- *Indexicals and Consciousness: Contributions from Phenomenology*, Alpen-Adria University, Klagenfurt, 6 March 2010.
- *Comments to Simone Gozzano's "Scientific Essentialism and the Mental"*, *Continuity and Discreteness between Science and Metaphysics* Università di Urbino, 17-19 Novembre 2009.
- *Meta-representational Thinking in Young Children. An analysis of experimental data*, ECN 2009 Education, Cognition, Neuroscience, University of Trento, 1-2 October 2009.
- *Minding the Developmental Gap: an Analysis of the Theory of Mind's Data*, International Summer School: "The Social Self", University of Sassari, Alghero, 24 September 2009.
- *Consciousness: is it wordless?* TSC (Towards a Science of Consciousness) Conference, PolyU Hong Kong, 13 June 2009.
- *The Concept of Other Minds: is it innate?* Conference: Social Approaches to Consciousness, PolyU Hong Kong, 9 June 2009.
- *Stati Mentali e Comportamento: Problemi di Interfaccia* (Mental States and Behavior: the Interface Problem), Congress: Science and Metaphysics, University of Macerata, 5-6 February 2009.
- *Is the Migration of Ficta a Fictum?* Serious Metaphysics Group, University of Cambridge, 26 November 2008.
- *The Role of Pre-Linguistic and Linguistic Indexicals in the Theory of Mind*, XV Convegno della Società di Filosofia del Linguaggio: Origini e sviluppo del linguaggio, fra teoria e storia, Università della Calabria, Cosenza, 15-17 September 2008.
- *Music, Time and Mind*. Conference: Science and Culture, Department of Mathematics, University of Pisa, 21 April, 2008.
- *Self-consciousness and Inter-subjectivity in Young Children*. Toward a Science of Consciousness 2008, Tucson, University of Arizona, 8-12 April 2008.
- *Meta-representationality and Indexical Thinking*. Early Analytic Philosophy Conference, University of Iowa, Iowa City, 4-5 April 2008. *17. Indexicals and Perception*. Lecture at the Northern Illinois University (NIU), DeKalb, April 2008. (invited)
- *Implicit Communication*, Conference: La comunicazione come questione antropologica, University of Macerata, November 2007.
- *Indexical gestures and the Theory of Mind*, Lecture at the University of Antwerp (Belgium), Centre for Philosophical Psychology, October 2007.
- *A Theory of Indexicals based on Perception*. First SIFA Graduate Conference: Language, Knowledge, and Metaphysics, 10-12/09, University of Padua, 2007.
- *The Analytic/Continental Divide: Entities and Being*. Conference: Early Analytic Philosophy, 19-23 June, Soochow University, Taipei, Taiwan, 2007.
- *The Attribution of Intentional States in Preverbal Children*. GTA (Gestalt Theory and its Applications) International Congress, 24-27/05, University of Macerata, 2007.
- *The Comprehension of Indexicals: The salience-based model for a semantic theory of indexicals*. Lecture at University of Iowa, Iowa, U.S.A., March 2007.
- *Indexicals: The Salience-based Model*. Lecture at St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota, U.S.A., March 2007.

- *La comprensione degli enunciati indicativi [The comprehension of indexical terms]*, Convegno della Società Italiana di Filosofia del Linguaggio: Il filo del discorso, Viterbo, 2006.
- *The salience-based model: Semantic and epistemological aspects of indexicals* (in Italian). Seminar on Analytic Philosophy, University of Bologna, May 2006.
- *Aspetti semantici delle implicature [On Semantic Issues of Conversational Implicatures]*, Convegno della Società di Filosofia del Linguaggio: Tradurre e comprendere. Pluralità dei linguaggi e delle culture, Piano di Sorrento, 2005.
- *Il ragionamento clinico: deduzione, induzione e abduzione nella diagnosi clinica [Clinical Reasoning: deduction and abduction in clinical diagnosis]*. Seminar (in Italian) on Medicine and Philosophy, Università Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona, 2005.
- *How to Single out Things with Words and the Auto-Performativity of the 'I'*. DGS-Kongress (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Semiotik): Stil als Zeichen, Frankfurt/Oder (Germany), 2005.
- *Il corpo e il segno [The Body as a Sign]*, in Italian. ADI Congress: La Nutrizione Clinica, Ascoli Piceno, 2004.
- *Madame Bovary è concreta come una donna o astratta come una legge?*, Comments to Carola Barbero. Congress: Il pregiudizio a favore del reale. La teoria dell'oggetto di Alexius Meinong fra ontologia e epistemologia, University of Urbino, 2004.
- *Concepts and Context*, Comments to Akeel Bilgrami, Concepts, Self and Consciousness, University of Macerata, 2004.
- *Approccio neuropsicologico agli aspetti della multimedialità [A Neuropsychological approach to multimediality]*, Conference: Approcci semiotico-testologici ai testi multimediali, University of Macerata, 2000.

Workshops and Conferences Organized

- December 16-17 2021, International Conference (on Zoom), *The Moral Roots of Quarantine: a comparative study of the moral dimension of quarantine in pandemics across East and West*, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, FAH, UM.
- December 2018, Philosophy of Language Seminar, *Thought: Content & Process*, Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, FAH, University of Macau.
- November 10-11 2018, *Natural Cognition 3rd International Conference Experience, Concepts, Agency*, Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, FAH, University of Macau.
- December 2015, *Natural Cognition 2nd International Conference Rationality and its Rivals*, Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, FAH, University of Macau
http://www.umac.mo/fah/conference/natural_cognition2015/rationality_and_rivals/
- December 2015: International Workshop *The Roots of Fiction: Possibilities and Imagination* Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, FAH, University of Macau
http://www.umac.mo/fah/workshop/roots_of_fiction/
- December 2014: Philosophy Seminar *Computation, Space, and Biology*, Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, FAH, University of Macau <https://fah.umac.mo/philosophy/activities-philosophy/seminar-computation-space-and-biology/>
- December 2013: *Natural Cognition 1st International Conference Logic, Evolution, Organisms*, Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme, University of Macau http://www.umac.mo/fah/natural_cognition/
- February 2009: Congress *Metafisica e Scienza*, (co-organized with F. Orilia), University of Macerata.
- June 2004: Workshop *Concepts, Self, and Consciousness*, (co-organized with F. Orilia), University of Macerata.

Lectures/Reading Groups Organized

- (2020-21) Philosophy and Religious Studies Lecture Series (biweekly lectures featuring international scholars)
- (Sept-Dec 2018) Reading Group, *Cognitive Phenomenology and Related Issues*, weekly meetings addressed to postgraduate students/postdocs (around 20 participants)
- (2018) Reading Group, *The Secret Chamber*, weekly meetings addressed to PhD students (around 6 participants)
- Guest Lectures: Prof. Neil Sinhababu (National University of Singapore), Nov 2019; Guest Lecture, Prof. Paisley Livingston (Lingnan University, HK), Oct 2018; Prof. Graham Priest (CUNY Graduate Center, March 2018)