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## Current Position

2024- *Associate Professor,*  
in Philosophy and Language Theory,  
at Università degli Studi di Siena,  
Dipartimento di Scienze Sociali, Politiche e Cognitive.

## Areas of Specialisation

Philosophy; Semantics; Logic; Formal Pragmatics

## Appointments Held

2021-2024 *Senior Researcher with Tenure*  
in Philosophy and Language Theory,  
at Università degli Studi di Siena,  
Dipartimento di Scienze Sociali, Politiche e Cognitive.

2019-2021 *Senior Researcher,*  
in Linguistics and Philosophy,  
at Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona,  
Departament de Traducció i Ciències del Llenguatge.

2017-2019 *Senior Researcher,*  
in Semantics and Pragmatics,  
at Geisteswissenschaftliche Zentren Berlin,  
Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS).

2014-2017 *Junior Researcher,*  
in Semantics and Pragmatics,  
at Geisteswissenschaftliche Zentren Berlin,  
Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS).

## Fellowships

- 19.9.2019 *Beatriu de Pinós Fellowship*  
in the fields of Arts and Humanities,  
awarded by Catalonia's *Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca*.
- 8.5.2017 *Juan de la Cierva Fellowship*  
in the fields of Philosophy and Philology,  
awarded by Spain's *Agencia Estatal de Investigación*. [Declined.]
- 10.8.2016 *Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship*  
in the fields of Philosophy and Theoretical Linguistics,  
awarded by *Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung*.
- 2.11.2013 *DAAD Stipendium*  
in the fields of Language and Culture Studies,  
awarded by *Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst*.
- 7.4.2011 *William J. Fulbright Fellowship*  
in the fields of Social Sciences and Humanities,  
awarded by United States Department of State.

## Education

### DOCTORATE

- 27.9.2013 *Doctorate in Cognitive Science*,  
awarded by Università degli Studi di Siena,  
(UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF GABRIELE USBERTI, AND ADRIANA BELLETTI).

### POSITIONS AS DOCTORAL STUDENT

- Spring 2012 *Predoctoral Researcher*,  
at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey,  
Center for Cognitive Science (RUCCS)  
(UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF ERNIE LEPORE).
- Spring 2011 *Associate Doctoral Student*,  
at École Normale Supérieure (ENS) Paris,  
Institut Jean Nicod  
(UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF BENJAMIN SPECTOR).
- Spring 2010 *Special Student*,  
at Harvard University,  
Department of Linguistics  
(UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF GENNARO CHIERCHIA).

## Representative Publications

*Logicità del linguaggio e informazione,*

WITH ANTONIO NEGRO in «Sistemi Intelligenti», 37(3): pp. 533-542, 2025.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

*The Contradiction Puzzle for Logicality,*

WITH ANTONIO NEGRO in Federica Longo and Daniele Panizza (editors), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* (SUB), volume 29: pp. 1211-1217, 2025.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Senso e controsenso. Uno studio filosofico su grammatica e logica delle lingue naturali,*  
vol. 1622 of Biblioteca di Testi e Studi (Filosofia). Roma: Carocci, 2024.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Relevance without Existence,*

WITH MARIA BUYKO AND VINCENZO MOSCATI in «Glossa», 9(1): pp. 1–13, 2024.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Rhetorically-Based Scalar-Additivity,*

WITH LOUISE MCNALLY in John Starr, Juhyae Kim, and Burak Öney (editors), *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory* (SALT), volume 32: pp. 463–480, 2022.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

*On Logicality and Natural Logic,*

WITH LUCA SAN MAURO in «Natural Language Semantics», 29(3): pp. 501–506, 2021.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Analyticity and Modulation. Broadening the Rescale Perspective on Logicality,*

WITH ULI SAUERLAND in «International Review of Pragmatics», 13(1): pp. 1–13, 2021.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

*Divertissement quasigramsciano su logica e linguaggio,*

in «Rivista Italiana di Filosofia del Linguaggio», 15(1): pp. 148-153, 2021.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

*Contextual Blindness in Implicature Computation,*

in «Natural Language Semantics», 25(2): pp. 109–24, 2017.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

*On Conceivability and Existence in Linguistic Interpretation.*

In Patrick Brézillon, Roy Turner, and Carlo Penco (editors), *Modeling and Using Context*, vol. 10257 of Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNAI). Cham: Springer, 2017.

[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#).

## Selection of Conferences, Workshops and Invited Seminars

- 14.10.2025 *New York Philosophy of Language Workshop*,  
at New York University,  
WITH TUE TRINH presenting «Tractarian Nonsense and Modern Linguistic Theory».
- 28.8.2025 *The 16th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy* — SIFA,  
at Università degli Studi di Torino,  
WITH ANTONIO NEGRO presenting «Which Information for Logicality?».
- 19.9.2024 *The 29th Sinn und Bedeutung Conference* (SUB 29),  
at Università degli Studi di Messina,  
WITH ANTONIO NEGRO presenting «Grammaticality as Contingency».
- 9.6.2022 *The 32nd Semantics and Linguistic Theory Conference* (SALT 32),  
at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México,  
WITH LOUISE McNALLY presenting «Rhetorically-based Scalar-additivity».
- 9.10.2021 *Enonciation et Argumentation. La semantique argumentative en dialogue*,  
at Universidade de Passo Fundo,  
WITH NICOLETTA ARMENTANO presenting «Notes on *même* and its Additivity».
- 26.6.2021 *Workshop Common Knowledge, Common Ground, and Context in Communication* (MK40),  
at University College London,  
WITH ULI SAUERLAND presenting «Loosening Repair in Language Logicality».
- 17.8.2020 *The 10th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy* (ECAP 10),  
at Universiteit Utrecht,  
WITH ULI SAUERLAND presenting «Language Logicality and Pragmatics».
- 17.9.2017 *Philosophy of Language and Mind Conference* PLM4  
at Ruhr Universität Bochum,  
WITH ULI SAUERLAND presenting «Degrees of analyticity».
- 14.9.2019 *Workshop on Proof and Assertion* WAP2019,  
at Università degli Studi del del Salento,  
presenting «Assertion and scalar implicatures».
- 20.1.2017 *The 23rd Conference of the Italian Society for the Philosophy of Language* — SFL,  
at Università degli Studi di Bologna,  
presenting «Il precedente leibniziano di una logica linguistica».
- 24.11.2016 *The 13th Conference of the Italian Association for Cognitive Sciences* — AISC,  
at Università degli Studi di Torino,  
presenting «Extending Contextual Blindness».

## Teaching and Mentoring

### CURRENT TEACHING

- 4 hrs *Philosophy and Argumentation*, (ERC SH4-5),  
Doctoral Program in *Social Sciences and Humanities*.
- 4 hrs *Language and Human Affairs*, (ERC SH4-5),  
Doctoral Program in *Social Sciences and Humanities*.
- 36 hrs *Philosophy of Natural Languages*, (PHIL-04/B),  
Master of Arts Program in *Language and Mind. Linguistics and Cognitive Studies* (LM-39).
- 36 hrs *Logic of Natural Languages*, (PHIL-04/B),  
Master of Arts Program in *Language and Mind. Linguistics and Cognitive Studies* (LM-39).
- 36 hrs *Filosofia del Linguaggio*, (PHIL-04/B),  
Master of Arts Program in *Storia e Filosofia* (LM-78).

### SELECTED MA, AND PHD SUPERVISION

*Yasmine Laghjichi* (later a PhD at Université Sorbonne Paris Nord) with a thesis on thought experiments. || *Aldair Gomez Diaz* (later a PhD at Universitetet i Oslo) with a thesis on Strawson entailment. || *Micol Pasti* (later a PhD at Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne) with a thesis on future contingents. || *Maria Buyko* (later a PhD at Universitetet i Oslo) with a thesis on oddness in implicatures. || *Giada Coleschi* (later a PhD at Università degli Studi di Torino) with a thesis on tautology and grammar. || *Alice Coppola* (later a PhD at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin) with a thesis on timbre in music semantics. || *Davide Spinelli* (later a PhD at Università di Milano-Bicocca) with a thesis on the contradiction puzzle. || *Ilenia Amitrano*, with a doctoral project on logicity and the Carnapian tradition (in progress).

### COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

- 2022- *Coordinator of Double Degree in Philosophy*,  
jointly established by Università degli Studi di Siena, *Language and Mind. Linguistics and Cognitive Studies* (LM-39), and Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. *Master en Philosophie, parcours logique et philosophie des sciences* (LOPHISC).

## Service to the Profession

### EDITORIAL BOARD

- 2024- Editorial board for *Semantics and Pragmatics*.
- 2016-2023 Editorial board for *Topoi. An International Review of Philosophy*

## REVIEWER FOR JOURNALS

*Mind and Language*,  
*Mind. A Quarterly Review of Philosophy*,  
*Linguistics and Philosophy*,  
*Topoi. An International Review of Philosophy*,  
*Natural Language Semantics*,  
*Glossa. A Journal of General Linguistics*,  
*Lingua. An International Review of General Linguistics*,  
*Frontiers in Communication*,  
*Acta Linguistica Hafniensia. International Journal of Linguistics*,  
*Argumenta. Journal of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy*,  
*Semantics and Pragmatics*,  
*Theoria. A Swedish Journal of Philosophy and Psychology*,  
*Theory, Culture and Society*,  
*Studia Semiotyczne*.

## EDITIONS

Oswald Ducrot, *Le scale argomentative. Linguaggio, logica, persuasione*,  
vol. 1513 of Biblioteca di Testi e Studi (Linguistica). Roma: Carocci 2023.  
[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Linguistic and Psycholinguistic Approaches on Implicatures and Presuppositions*,  
WITH FILIPPO DOMANESCHI in Palgrave Studies in Pragmatics, Language and Cognition. London: Palgrave 2017.  
[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Pragmatics, Semantics and the Case of Scalar Implicatures*,  
Palgrave Studies in Pragmatics, Language and Cognition. London: Palgrave 2014.  
[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

## REPORTS

*Yehoshua Bar-Hillel*,  
in «Analytical and Philosophical Explanation», 24, 2021, pp. 26.  
[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)

*Le implicature scalari*,  
WITH JACOPO ROMOLI in «Analytical and Philosophical Explanation», 11, 2015, pp. 39.  
[Publisher](#) || [ResearchGate](#) || [PhilPapers](#)