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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

2025- Present Postdoctoral Fellow, Fondecyt, **Pontificia Universidad Católica, Chile**

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

2022-2025 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, **Fordham University, New York, USA**

EDUCATION

2022 **New School for Social Research, New York, NY**

PhD in Philosophy

Dissertation: “The Concept of Affect in the Philosophy of Henri Bergson”

Committee Members: Dmitri Nikulin (Supervisor), James Dodd, Rudolf Bernet, Benoit Challand

2011 **Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium**

MPhil Philosophy in Phenomenology and Contemporary Continental Thought - Magna cum laude

Thesis: “Creation, Dissolution, and Enjoyment in Max Stirner’s *Der Einzige und Sein Eigentum*”

2010 **Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium**

M.A. Philosophy - Cum laude

Thesis: “Memory, Poetry and Technology in Late Heidegger”

2008 **University of British Columbia, Canada**

B.A. Combined Major in Philosophy and Political Science

PHILOSOPHICAL CONCENTRATION

Areas of Specialization:

Post-Kantian European Philosophy, Continental Philosophy, 19th and 20th Century Philosophy, Phenomenology, Existentialism, Bergson

Areas of Competence:

Latin American Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy, Early Modern Philosophy, Ethics, Philosophy of Mind, Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Science, History of Philosophy, Design Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2026 Miguel José Paley, *Bergson and Affect: Intensity, Virtuality, & The Body*, Edinburgh University Press. In press, March 2026
<https://edinburghuniversitypress.com/book-bergson-and-affect.html>

Peer Reviewed Articles

2025 Miguel José Paley “Affectivity, Continuity, & Separation: A Commentary on Oele’s *E-Co-Affectivity*” in *Journal of Philosophy of Emotion* 6, no. 2: 23-29 DOI: <https://doi.org/10.33497/2025.winter.4>.

2022 Miguel José Paley, “Affect, Utility, and Self-Constitution. A Bergsonian Reading of Whitehead and Levinas” *Bergsoniana* Vol 1 Issue 2: DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4000/bergsoniana.713>

2017 Miguel José Paley. “Bergson and Levinas on the Genealogy of Mind.” *Journal for The British Society of Phenomenology*, Vol 48 Issue 4: 304-318 DOI: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/00071773.2017.1299960>

Chapters in Books

2021 Miguel José Paley. “The Concept of Substitution in Bergson and Levinas” In *The Bergsonian Mind*, edited by Mark Sinclair, Routledge DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4324/9780429020735>

2021 Miguel José Paley. "Autenticidade, Emoção, E A Ontologia Do Desejo" In *Hans Jonas: Desafios De Uma Filosofia Para O Futuro*. Edited by Grégori De Souza, Miguel Bugalski, and Thiago Vasconcelos, Curitiba, Brazil: Editora CRV Ltda.

2019 Miguel José Paley. "Causalidad" In *Vocabulário Hans Jonas*, edited by Eric Pommier and Jelson Oliveira, Caxias Do Sul: Editoria Caxias Do Sul

Book Reviews

2020 Miguel José Paley. Review of *Bergson* by Mark Sinclair, *Société des Amis de Bergson*, Feb 2020 DOI: <https://bergson.hypotheses.org/1707>

Public Scholarship

2017 Miguel José Paley. "Could the Axis Have Won the War?" In *Man In The High Castle and Philosophy*, edited by Bruce Krajewski and Joshua Heter, 83-94. Chicago: Open Court Publishing

Works in development

2025 "Notions of Subjectivity in French Spiritualism: Maine de Biran and Bergson on Virtuality and Affectivity." Article

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

Invited Speaker

2025 "The Influence of French Spiritualism on the Foundation of Phenomenology" Seminario Interno de la Facultad de Filosofía. Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile. Santiago, Chile.

2022 "Echoes and Imperatives of Nature: The Phenomenology of Jonas and Lingis" VI Hans Jonas Colloquium. Paraná, Brazil.

2021 "Authenticity, Emotion, and the Ontology of Desire" II Jornada Hans Jonas. Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná, Brazil

2016 "Bergson and Levinas on the Genealogy of Mind" University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. Canada.

Presentations

2024 "On The Living Body: From Maine de Biran to Phenomenology" French and Francophone Philosophy Today, LSU, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, USA.

2022 "Subjectivity, Affect, and Biology: Bergson's influence on Levinasian Ethics" Summer Conference in Continental Ethics, Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania.

2020 "Affect and Self-Constitution: A Bergsonian Reading of Levinas and Whitehead" 2020 Global Bergsonism Research Project, Upenn (Webinar), USA

2019 "Consciousness, Desire, & The Body: Bergson and Jonas" New York Phenomenology Workshop, New York, NY, USA

2012 "Anarchism and the Problem of Anonymous Power" Democracy and the Market Conference, KUL, Leuven, Belgium

2010 "Tools, Trauma, Artifacts, & Heidegger's God" The idea of God in the History of Phenomenology, KUL, Leuven, Belgium

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Note

2024-2025 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow

Fordham University, New York, NY

- Existentialism
- Latin American Philosophy
- Politics and Metaphysics of Existentialism
- Philosophical Ethics

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| 2023 | Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow Fordham University, New York, NY - Consciousness, Temporality, and Time in Henri Bergson - Philosophical Ethics |
| 2022 | Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow Fordham University, New York, NY - Issues of Life and Death - Philosophical Ethics |
| 2021 | Adjunct Faculty Jacksonville University, Jacksonville, FL - Introduction to Ethics |
| 2018 | Teaching Fellow Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts, New York, NY - Hans Jonas' <i>Phenomenon of Life</i> - Bergson's <i>Matter & Memory</i> |
| 2017 | Visiting Instructor Technische Universität Dresden, Institute of Political Theory, Dresden, Germany - Human Thought in Context: Ideology & Alienation |
| 2016 | Adjunct Faculty William Paterson University, Wayne, New Jersey - Introduction to Philosophy |
| 2015 | Teaching Fellow The New School for Social Research, New York, NY - Introductory Proseminar |

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Bergsoniana Journal: Member of Editorial Committee. *Société Des Amis De Bergson*
 Society for the Philosophy of Emotion
 American Philosophical Association

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Bergsoniana Article Submission Referee (ongoing)
 The Husserl Seminar: Intersections of Phenomenology and Psychoanalysis (organizer)
 The 2014 New School Graduate Student Conference: Philosophy and Science (organizer)
 First Annual K.U. Leuven Graduate Student Conference (organizer)
 Faculty Liaison for the New School Philosophy Forum
 Faculty of Philosophy Governing Committee (POC) Student Representative, KUL

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Pedagogy Seminar: Attended a course focused on developing teaching skills and strategies.
 The New School University, New York, NY

LANGUAGES

Spanish- Native
English- Native
French- Intermediate
German- Beginner

REFERENCES

Dmitri Nikulin, Professor of Philosophy and Chair of NSSR Philosophy Department.
James Dodd, Professor of Philosophy; Director of the Husserl Archives, New York
Rudolf Bernet, Professor Emeritus, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
Crina Gschwandtner, Professor of Philosophy, Fordham University, New York

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