

Sara Magrin
Curriculum Vitae

Department of Classics
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Employment

- 2017- Associate Professor, Department of Classics, University of California, Berkeley
- 2014-2017 Assistant Professor, Department of Classics, University of California, Berkeley
- 2007-2015 Assistant Professor (with tenure), Department of Philosophy, Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2011-2012 Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, The American University in Cairo

Education

- 2002-2010 Ph.D. in Philosophy, McGill University
Dissertation title: *Plotinus' epistemology and his reading of the Theaetetus*
- 2005-2006 Visiting student, École Pratique des Hautes Études, Section des Sciences Religieuses, Paris
- Visiting student, École Normale Supérieure, Paris
- 2000-2003 Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Padua
Dissertation title: *La Retorica di Aristotele: arte della persuasione e teoria dell'opposizione (Aristotle's Rhetoric: art of persuasion and theory of opposition)*
- 2001-2002 Visiting student, Department of Philosophy, McGill University
- 1999 Visiting student, Keble College, Oxford (5 months)
- 1998 *Laurea (M.A.) summa cum laude* in Philosophy, University of Padua

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Area of Specialization

Ancient Philosophy, especially Hellenistic Philosophy and Plotinus

Publications

Articles and book chapters

- 1) "Plotinus' reception of Aristotle," in Andrea Falcon (ed.), *Brill's Companion to the Reception of Aristotle in Antiquity*, Brill, Turnhout 2016, pp. 258-276
- 2) "Plotinus on the Inner Sense," *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 23 (2015), pp. 864-887
- 3) "Plotin et la 'doctrine secrète'," in Dimitri El Murr (ed.), *La Mesure du Savoir. Études sur le Théétète de Platon*, Vrin, Paris 2013, pp. 335-378
- 4) "Theophrastus, Alexander, and Themistius on Aristotle's *De anima* III.4-5," in Robert Wisnovsky, Faith Wallis, Jamie Fumo, and Carlos Fraenkel (eds.), *Vehicles of Transmission, Translation, and Transformation in Medieval Textual Culture*, Cursor Mundi Series, UCLA Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Brepols, Turnhout 2011, pp. 49-74
- 5) "Sensation and Scepticism in Plotinus," *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, 39 (2010), pp. 249-297

Books

- 6) Co-edited with Massimiliano Carrara and Gabriele De Anna, *Linguaggio, mente e mondo. Saggi di filosofia del linguaggio, filosofia della mente e metafisica*, Il Poligrafo, Padova 2004
- 7) *Scetticismo e Fenomeno in Sesto Empirico: La Critica ai Grammatici e ai Retori*, Bibliopolis, Napoli 2003

Reviews and short pieces

- 8) "Review of Damian Caluori, *Plotinus on the Soul*, Cambridge 2015," *Ancient Philosophy*, 37 (2017), pp. 238-242
- 9) "Review of Paul Kalligas (trans. and ed.), *The Enneads of Plotinus*, translated by E. K. Fowden and N. Pilavachi, Princeton 2014," *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, 2015.04.26
<http://bmcr.brynmawr.edu/2015/2015-04-26.html>
- 10) "Review of Richard Bett (ed.), *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Scepticism*, Cambridge 2010," *Revue de métaphysique et de morale*, 75 (2012), pp. 441-446

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- 11) "Review of Casey Perin, *The Demands of Reason: An Essay on Pyrrhonian Scepticism*, Oxford 2010," *Revue de métaphysique et de morale*, 75 (2012), pp. 440-441
- 12) "Review of Carlo Natali and Elisa Tetamo (eds.), *Alessandro d'Afrodisia, Il Destino. Trattato sul destino e su ciò che dipende da noi. Dedicato agli Imperatori*, Sankt Augustin 2009," *Aestimatio. Critical Reviews in the History of Science*, 8 (2011), pp. 192-204
(<http://www.ircps.org/aestimatio/8/192-204>)
- 13) "Review of Harald Thorsrud, *Ancient Scepticism*, Stocksfield 2009," *Revue de métaphysique et de morale*, 69 (2011), pp. 106-107
- 14) "Review of Pauliina Remes, *Neoplatonism*, Stocksfield 2008," *Mouseion. Journal of the Classical Association of Canada*, 9 (2009), pp. 379-384
- 15) "Review of Emidio Spinelli (ed.), *Sesto Empirico, Contro gli Astrologi*, Napoli 2000," *La Cultura*, 39 (2001), pp. 356-360
- 16) "Alcune osservazioni in margine alla contraddizione in Aristotele e Sesto Empirico," *Atti e Memorie dell'Accademia Galileiana di Scienze Lettere ed Arti in Padova*, 113 (2000-2001), pp. 165-174

Invited Talks and Conferences

- 2016-2017 "Aristotle, *De anima* 1.3"
Spetses Workshop on Aristotle's *De anima*, Book 1, organized by the Department of philosophy, classics, history of art and ideas, University of Oslo
- "Philosophers- Kings and Stoic Stages: Epictetus' Account of the "Starting Points" (*aphormai*) of Virtue"
Program in Classics, Philosophy, and Ancient Science, University of Pittsburgh;
Department of Philosophy, University of California, Santa Barbara;
APA, Pacific Division Meeting, invited speaker
- "Plotinus on the Double Imagination"
Workshop on *Noûs, Psychê, Sôma* in Late Antiquity, Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study;
Seminar presentation, Cornell University
- "Plotinus, *Ennead* 5.3.16-17
Cornell-Princeton Workshop on Plotinus, Cornell University
- Comments on M. Scharle and J. Gold, "Aristotle's Conception of the Political Life of the Divine"
APA, Pacific Division Meeting

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- “Berkeley and Plotinus: Two Different Readings of Plato”
Conference “Plato, Berkeley, and Plotinus”, Trinity College Dublin
- 2015 “Plotinus, *Ennead* 4.4.20-21
Cornell-Princeton Workshop on Plotinus, Cornell University
- 2014 Comments on G. Boys-Stones “World Soul: Cause or Effect?”
Princeton Colloquium in Classical Philosophy, Princeton University
- “Plotinus, *Ennead* 4.3.28-29
Cornell-Princeton Workshop on Plotinus, Princeton University
- “Plotinus on the Inner Sense: A Platonist Account of Self-Consciousness”
Department of Classics and Department of Philosophy, Harvard University
- “Plotinus on the Inner Sense”
Department of Classics, University of California, Berkeley
- 2013 “Plotinus, *Ennead* 4.3.18-19
Cornell-Princeton Workshop on Plotinus, Princeton University
- Comments on C. Roberts “Is there such a thing as a sceptical assent”
Workshop *Empeiria, Phantasia and Logos: Exploring the Rational/Non-Rational Boundary*, Annual Toronto Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, University of Toronto
- 2012 “Plotinus, *Ennead* 4.3.3
Cornell Workshop on Plotinus, Cornell University
- “Common Sense Transformed: Plotinus’ Analysis of the Conscious Center”
(Two talks on two distinct points related to the same research project)
Conference *Subjectivity, Selfhood and Agency in the Arabic and Latin Traditions*,
University of Uppsala (with referee);
Workshop on Ancient Philosophy, University of Notre Dame
- 2011 “Plotinus, *Ennead* 1.111-12
Cornell Workshop on Plotinus, Cornell University
- 2010 “Unity of Consciousness and Internal Sense: Towards the Reconstruction of an Ancient Debate”
Department of Philosophy, New School for Social Research
- “Plotinus on animal and human *synaisthêsis*”
Workshop *Perceiving Ourselves (and One Another) Perceiving*
Annual Toronto Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, University of Toronto
- Commentary on P. Schollmeier, “Comedy à la Aristotle”

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Canadian Philosophical Association Annual Congress, Montreal

- 2009 “Lectures anciennes du *Théétète*: La psychologie du cheval de bois”
Department of Philosophy, Université de Montréal
- “The Place of Skepticism in Plotinus’ Road to the One”
Fourth Montreal Workshop on Nominalism, Department of Philosophy, Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2008 Liberty Fund Symposium on John Millar, Montreal
- “Plotinus on Plato’s Theory of Sense-Perception in the *Timaeus*”
International Society for Neoplatonic Studies Annual Conference, New Orleans (with referee)
- “Plotin et le *Timée*: les qualités sensibles dans la théorie plotinienne de la perception”
Conference *Intuition, raisonnement et abstraction : théories de la connaissance anciennes et médiévales*, Association Francophone pour le Savoir Annual Congress, Quebec City (with referee)
- 2007 “Theophrastus, Alexander, and Themistius on Aristotle’s *De anima* III 4-5”
Conference *Vehicles of Transmission, Translation, and Transformation*, McGill University
- 2006 “Les moteurs célestes d’Aristote et l’*Ennéade* V 4 [7]”
Workshop *Puissance, Mouvement, Acte: Aristote. Mouvoir et agir* (Paris I - Lille III - E.N.S. Paris – CNRS), Université de Lille
- 2004 Commentary on D. Perler, “Are Emotions Cognitive States? Fourteenth-Century Discussions on the Passions of the Soul”
Conference *Deliberation, Desires and Emotions: A Debate Among Medieval and Contemporary Philosophers*, Université de Montréal

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

- 2011-2015 Standard Research Grant “L’*épistémologie* de Plotin”, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
- 2007-2008 *Projets Ciblés* Grant “Plotin lecteur du *Théétète*,” Faculté des sciences humaines, Université du Québec à Montréal
- 2006-2007 Graduate Studies Fellowship, McGill University
- 2005 G. Smith Major Fellowship, McGill University
- 2005 W. Hitschfeld Major Fellowship, McGill University

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- 2002-2005 Tomlinson Doctoral Fellowship, McGill University
- 1999 Scholarship for Research Abroad, University of Padua
- 1999 “Miranda Sansoni” Prize for the best *Laurea* (M.A.) dissertation in Philosophy, University of Padua

Teaching Experience

University of California, Berkeley

- 2017-2018 Classics 36: Greek Philosophy (Fall)
Greek 100: Plato and Attic Prose (Fall)
- 2016-2017 Classics 36: Greek Philosophy (Fall)
Classics 163: Topics in Greek Philosophy (The Emotions in Ancient Greek Philosophy) (Fall)
Classics 130: Topics in Ancient Greek and Roman Culture (Classical Greek Rhetoric: Evolution or Revolution?) (Spring)
Latin 122: Post-Augustan Prose (Seneca)
Independent Study: Seneca, *On Anger*
- 2014-2015 Greek 100: Plato and Attic Prose (Fall)
Classics 36: Greek Philosophy (Spring)
Classics 218: Greek Philosophers (Graduate Seminar on Plotinus’ Psychology) (Spring)

Université du Québec à Montréal

- 2013-2014 Introduction to Ancient Philosophy (Fall)
Graduate Seminar, M.A., Plato’s *Symposium* (Fall)
Aristotle (Spring)
Issues in Ancient Philosophy: Hellenistic Philosophy (Spring)
- 2012-2013 Aristotle (Fall)
Undergraduate Seminar, The Stoics (Fall)
Graduate Seminar in the History of Philosophy, Plotinus’ Epistemology (Fall)
Introduction to Philosophy (Spring)
Plato (Spring)
Directed Readings, Plato’s *Symposium* (Spring)
- 2011-2012 On Leave (see below for courses at The American University in Cairo)
- 2010-2011 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall)
Undergraduate Seminar, The Stoics (Fall)

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Plato (Spring)

Graduate Seminar in the History of Philosophy, Plato on the parts of the soul (Spring)

2009-2010 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall)

Ancient Philosophy (Fall)

Aristotle (Spring)

Graduate Seminar in the History of Philosophy, Plotinus' Conception of Nature and the Sensible World (Spring)

2008-2009 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall)

Graduate Seminar in the History of Philosophy, Hellenistic Epistemology (Fall)

Directed Readings, Aristotle's *Politics* (Fall)

Plato (Spring)

Undergraduate Seminar, Aristotle's Psychology (Spring)

2007-2008 Aristotle (Fall)

Directed Readings: Plotinus on Providence (Fall)

Graduate Seminar, Plato's Epistemology (Spring)

The American University in Cairo

2011-2012 Introduction to Philosophy (Fall and Spring)

Ancient Philosophy (Spring)

Administrative Positions

University of California, Berkeley

2017-2018 Member, Ph.D. Exams Committee

Undergraduate Advisor (Fall)

2016-2017 Member, MA Exams Committee

2015- Member, Howison Lectures Committee

Fall 2014 Member, MA Exams Committee

Université du Québec à Montréal

2013-2014 Director, Colloquium Series Committee

Member, Graduate Studies Committee

Member, Committee for the Reform of the Ph.D. and M.A. Programs

Member, Faculty Committee for International Relations

Member, Hiring Priorities Planning Committee

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- 2012-2013 Director, Colloquium Series Committee
Member, Search Committee in Ethics and Social Philosophy
Member, Faculty Committee for International Relations
- 2011-2012 On Leave (see below for administrative positions at The American University in Cairo)
- 2010-2011 Member, Graduate Studies Committee
Member, Library Committee
- 2009-2010 Director, Colloquium Series Committee
Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee
Member, Undergraduate Students Orientation Committee
Member, Library Committee
- 2008-2009 Member, Colloquium Series Committee
Member, Library Committee
- 2007-2008 Member, Colloquium Series Committee
Member, Library Committee

The American University in Cairo

- 2011-12 Member, Search Committee in Political Philosophy and Political Theory (Department of Political Science)

Supervision

University of California, Berkeley

- 2015-2016 Member, Committee for the Evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis Proposal (Daniel Esses, Department of Classics)
Member, Qualifying Exams Committee (Michael Arsenault, Department of Philosophy)
External Examiner, Ph.D. Thesis Committee (Guillaume Pilote, Department of Philosophy, University of Ottawa, Université Paris 1, Panthéon Sorbonne)
External Examiner, Ph.D. Thesis Committee (Charles Ives, Department of Philosophy, Concordia University)
- 2016- Member, Ph.D. Thesis Committee (Michael Arsenault, Department of Philosophy)
Member, Ph.D. Thesis Committee (Nicholas Gooding, Department of Philosophy)

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2012-2015 Chair, M.A. Dissertation Committee (Philippe Foucault, Department of Philosophy)

2007-2014 Member, M.A. Dissertation Committee:
Jean-Philippe A. Beaudin, Department of Philosophy, UQAM
Sophie Tremblay, Department of Philosophy, UQAM
Philippe Girard, Department of Philosophy, UQAM
Mélanie Turmel-Huot, Department of Philosophy, UQAM

Member, Ph.D. Thesis Committee:
Janyne Sattler, Department of Philosophy, UQAM
Alexis Thibault, Department of Philosophy, UQAM

External Examiner, M.A. Dissertation:
Valérie Côté, Department of History, UQAM

External Examiner, Ph.D. Thesis:
Sofia Avramova, Department of Philosophy, Université de Montréal
Louise Rodrigue, Department of Philosophy, Université de Montréal
Geneviève Normandeau, Department of Philosophy, Université de Montréal

Other Professional Activities

University of California, Berkeley

2014- Member, Townsend Working Group in Ancient Philosophy
2015- Member, The California Consortium for Late Antiquity
2016- Member, Editorial Board of *Studies in Late Antiquity: A Journal* (UC Press)

Université du Québec à Montréal

2013 Co-organizer with Amandine Catala (UQAM) of the workshop *Women in Philosophy*, Department of Philosophy, UQAM

2007- Referee for *Ancient Philosophy*, *Classical Antiquity*, *Dialogue*; Oxford University Press (manuscript proposal); Presse de l'Université de Laval (manuscript proposal).

2007-2011 Co-organizer with Daniel Dumouchel (Université de Montréal), Carlos Fraenkel (McGill), Dario Perinetti (UQAM), and Justin Smith (Concordia University) of *The Montreal Interuniversity Workshop in the History of Philosophy*

Professional Affiliations

Society for Classical Studies
American Philosophical Association

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Languages

Italian (native)

French (fluent)

English (fluent)

German (basic reading ability)

Latin

Greek