

# Walter Veit

## *curriculum vitae*

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### INTERESTS

**AOS** Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Biology, Philosophy of Economics, Cognitive Sciences and Philosophy of Mind

**AOC** Philosophy of the Social Sciences, Bioethics, Evolutionary Game Theory, Philosophy of Medicine, Ethics

### EMPLOYMENT

<b>Research Fellow (Pre-Doc)</b>	<i>August - December 2019</i>	<b>Carnegie Mellon University</b> Dept. of Social and Decision Sciences, Laboratory for Social Minds
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### EDUCATION

<b>PhD</b>	<i>2020-2022</i> <i>[expected]</i>	<b>University of Sydney</b> (Australia) History and Philosophy of Science
<b>MA</b>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<b>University of Bristol</b> (UK) Philosophy of Biological and Cognitive Sciences
<b>BA</b>	<i>2014-2018</i>	<b>University of Bayreuth</b> (Germany) Philosophy & Economics

### TEACHING

<b>TA</b>	<i>Summer 2017</i>	<b>Philosophy of Economics,</b> University of Bayreuth
<b>TA</b>	<i>Winter 2016</i>	<b>Philosophy of Science,</b> University of Bayreuth

## PUBLICATIONS

### 2021

21. Please find all my forthcoming publications and papers published in 2021 on <https://walterveit.com/publications>. My CV will be updated in January 2022.

### 2020

20. Veit, W., Brown, R. & Earp, B.D. (2020). **In science we trust? Being honest about the limits of medical research during COVID-19.** *American Journal of Bioethics*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15265161.2020.1845861> [Download]
19. Chapman, R. & Veit, W. (2020). “**The essence of autism: fact or artefact?**” *Molecular Psychiatry*. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41380-020-00959-1> [Download]
18. Veit, W., Earp, B.D., Faber, N., Bostrom, N., Caouette, J., Mannino, A., Caviola, L., Sandberg, A. & Savulescu, J. (2020). **Recognizing the Diversity of Cognitive Enhancements.** *AJOB Neuroscience*, 11(4), 250-253. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21507740.2020.1830878> [Download]
17. Veit, W. & Browning, H. (2020). **Why Socio-Political Beliefs Trump Individual Morality: An Evolutionary Perspective.** *AJOB Neuroscience*, 11(4), 290-292. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21507740.2020.1830879> [Download]
16. Veit, W. & Browning, H. (2020). **Perspectival pluralism for animal welfare.** *European Journal for Philosophy of Science* 11(9). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13194-020-00322-9> [Download]
15. Veit, W., Savulescu, J., Hunter, D., Earp, B.D. & Wilkinson, D. (2020). **Are Generational Welfare Trades Always Unjust?** *The American Journal of Bioethics* 20(9), 70-72. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15265161.2020.1795532> [Download]
14. Browning, B. & Veit, W. (2020). **Confined Freedom and Free Confinement: The Ethics of Captivity in *Life of Pi*.** In Á. T. Bogár and R. S. Szigethy (Eds.), *Critical Insights: Life of Pi*, pp. 119–134. Salem Press. <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.27969.38246/1> [Download]
13. Veit, W. & Huebner, B. (2020). **Drawing the boundaries of animal sentience.** *Animal Sentience* 29(13). <http://doi.org/10.51291/2377-7478.1595> [Download]
12. Browning, H. & Veit, W. (2020). **Improving invertebrate welfare.** *Animal Sentience* 29(4). <http://doi.org/10.51291/2377-7478.1585> [Download]
11. New England Anti-Vivisection Society, et al. (2020). **Petition to Include Cephalopods as “Animals” Deserving of Humane Treatment under the Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.** *Harvard Law School Animal Law & Policy Clinic*, 1–30. <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.27522.30401> [Download]
10. Browning, H. & Veit, W. (2020). **Is Humane Slaughter Possible?** *Animals*, 10(5), 799. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ani10050799> [Download]
9. Chapman, R. & Veit, W. (2020). **Representing the Autism Spectrum –** *The American Journal of Bioethics* 20(4), 46–48. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15265161.2020.1730495> [Download]

### 2019

8. Veit, W., Dewhurst, J., Dolega, K., Jones, M., Stanley, S., Frankish, K. & Dennett, D.C. (2019). **The Rationale of Rationalization –** *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 43, e53. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0140525X19002164> [Download]
7. Veit, W. (2019). **Model Pluralism.** *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, 50(2), 91–114. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0048393119894897> [Download]
6. Veit, W. (2019). **Modeling Morality.** In L. Magnani, A. Nepomuceno, F. Salguero, C. Barés and M. Fontane (eds), *Model-Based Reasoning in Science and Technology*, Springer, 83-102. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-32722-4\\_6](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-32722-4_6) [Download]
5. Veit, W. (2019). **Evolution of multicellularity: cheating done right.** *Biology & Philosophy*, 34(34). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10539-019-9688-9> [Download]

## 2018

4. Veit, W. (2018). **Existential Nihilism: The Only Really Serious Philosophical Problem**. *Journal of Camus Studies* 2018: 211-236. <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.26965.24804> [Download]
3. Veit, W. (2018). **Enhancement Technologies and Inequality**. In Saborido, C., Oms, S. & González de Prado, J. (eds.) *Proceedings of the IX Conference of the Spanish Society of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*: 471-476. <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.21932.08326> [Download]
2. Veit, W. (2018). **Cognitive Enhancement and the Threat of Inequality**. *Journal of Cognitive Enhancement*, 2: 404–410. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41465-018-0108-x> [Download]
1. Veit, W. (2018). **Procreative Beneficence and Genetic Enhancement**. *KRITERION – Journal of Philosophy* 32(1):75-92. <https://doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.11026.89289> [Download]

### INVITED LECTURES

- 2020 Bordeaux-Sydney workshop on Philosophy of Biology and Biomedicine:  
*Of mosasaurs, turtles, and scuba divers: A challenge for evolutionary accounts of health and disease*
- 2019 Istanbul: Boğaziçi University  
*From Scaffolding to Natural Selection*
- 2019 Istanbul Medeniyet University  
*Ecological Scaffolding and Natural Selection*
- 2019 Ankara: University of Bilkent  
*Ecological Scaffolding and Natural Selection*
- 2019 University of Bath: Centre for Networks and Collective Behaviour  
*Against Methodology in Modeling*

### REFEREED TALKS

- 2019 Turku: European Society for Evolutionary Biology  
*Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2019 University of Helsinki: International Network for Economic Method  
*Who is Afraid of Model Pluralism?*
- 2019 University of Bristol: Annual UK Kant Society Annual Conference  
*Kant as an Error Theorist*
- 2019 Prague: 16th Congress on Logic, Methodology, and Philosophy of Science and Technology  
*Model Pluralism*
- 2019 Oslo: International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology (ISHPSSB 2019)  
*Novel Perspectives on the Major Transitions (Symposium Organizer)*
- 2019 Lake Como: Economic Behaviours: Models, Measurements, and Policies – Summer School  
*Model Pluralism*
- 2019 Krakow: Workshop on Fitness and Niche Construction at Jagiellonian University  
*Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2019 Barbados: Cave Hill Philosophy Symposium  
*Enhancement Technologies and the Threat of Inequality*
- 2019 University of Vermont: Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable  
*Who is Afraid of Model Pluralism?*
- 2019 Cambridge: Evolution evolving: Process, mechanism and theory  
*Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2019 University of Leeds: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Evolution and Ecology  
*Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2019 University of Cologne: Third International Conference of the German Society for Philosophy of Science  
*How does Evolutionary Game Theory Explain?*

- 2018** University of Cardiff: Feminism & Technology  
*Enhancement Technologies and Feminist Concerns*
- 2018** University of Bordeaux: First meeting of the PhilInBioMed international network  
*Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2018** Camus Society Conference 2018: London  
*Existential Nihilism: The Only Really Serious Philosophical Problem*
- 2018** IX Conference of the Spanish Society for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science  
*Human Enhancement and the Threat of Inequality*
- 2018** University of Seville: 'Model-Based Reasoning in Science and Technology. Inferential Models for Logic, Language, Cognition and Computation'  
*What can we learn from Models for the Evolution of Morality?*
- 2018** University of Rijeka: '26th Conference of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology'  
*What can we learn from Models for the Evolution of Morality?*
- 2018** Vercelli: IV FINO Graduate Conference in Mind, Language and Cognition "Kinds of Reasoning"  
*Model-Based Reasoning: A case study of evolutionary game theory*
- 2018** University of Bayreuth: '3<sup>rd</sup> think! Conference in Analytical Philosophy'  
*The Explanatory Power of Evolutionary Game Theory*
- 2018** University of Calgary: 'Philosophy of Biology - 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Philosophy Conference'  
*The Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2018** University of Düsseldorf: Conference 'The Generalized Theory of Evolution'  
*The Evolution of Multicellularity: Cheating Done Right*
- 2016** University of Bayreuth: Conference 'LSE' -UBT Conference in Philosophy'  
*Procreative Beneficence and Genetic Enhancement*

#### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 2019** Stanford University: Metascience 2019 Symposium  
*Metascience of Consciousness*
- 2018** Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association (Seattle)  
*Who is Afraid of Model Pluralism?*
- 2018** University of Turin: 11<sup>th</sup> MuST Conference in Philosophy of Science  
*The Explanatory Power of Evolutionary Game Theory*

#### VISITING

- 2019** Unofficial Visitor at the *University of Pittsburgh* (as a Research Fellow of CMU)
- 2017** Visiting Student at the *University of Helsinki* (September - December)
- 2017** Research Visitor at the *Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Biology* (February - March)

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2017** Social Media Management for the Evolution Institute
- 2015-2016** Local Assistant for MEP (Member of European Parliament)
- 2015** Internship: European Parliament (September 2015)

## HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2020-2022** Postgraduate Research Scholarship in the Philosophy of Biomedicine (228,900.00 AUS \$)
- 2019** Templeton World Charity Foundation Grant, Research Fellow CMU (roughly 12,000.00 \$)
- 2019** Bristol Alumni Foundation Travel Grant (550.00 £)
- 2018** Feminism & Technology Conference Grant (70.00 £)
- 2018** PhilInBioMed International Network (500.00 €)
- 2018** Philosophy of Science Association Travel Grant (192.32 \$)
- 2018** Philosophy & Economics Alumni Association Grant (150.00 €)
- 2018** Philosophy & Economics Alumni Association Grant (375.00 €)

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- 2019 -** Board Member Philosophy of Science Association – Social Media Committee
- 2019 -** Author of Psychology Today's [Science and Philosophy Series](#)
- 2019 – 2021** Student Representative Advisor ISHPSSB
- 2019** Symposium Organizer Oslo for ISHPSSB 2019
- 2018 -** Philos-L Contributor (ongoing)
- 2018** Organizer Reading Group: Philosophy of Biology *University of Bristol*
- 2017** Organizer Reading Group: Philosophy of Psychology *University of Bayreuth*
- 2017** Organizer Reading Group: Philosophy of Biology *University of Bayreuth*
- 2016** Organizer Reading Group: *University of Bayreuth*  
Philosophy of Biology & Psychology

## INTERVIEWS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- 2019 -** Author of the [Science and Philosophy Series](#) on Psychology Today and Medium
- 2018** [Genetic Engineering on Humans – TheNonSequiturShow](#)

## REFEREE

Book Publisher Referee for: Wiley

Journal Referee for: Behavioral and Brain Sciences; Journal of Philosophy; Biology & Philosophy; European Journal for Philosophy of Science; Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour; Acta Biotheoretica; Philosophia; Journal of Medical Ethics; Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy

## AFFILIATIONS (may be expired)

### International:

1. Philosophy of Science Association (PSA)
2. International Network for Economic Method (INEM)
3. American Psychological Association (APA)
4. American Philosophical Association (APA)
5. Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness (ASSC)
6. Animal Behavior Society (ABS)
7. Comparative Cognition Society (CSS)
8. Society for Behavioral Neuroscience and Comparative Psychology (SBNCP)
9. International Society for Applied Ethology (ISAE)
10. Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW)
11. The Society for the Philosophy of Animal Minds (SPAM)
12. International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology (ISHPSSB)

**European:**

13. European Society for Evolutionary Biology (ESEB)
14. Association for the Study of Animal Behaviour (ASAB)
15. European Society for Philosophy of Science (ESPS)

**British:**

16. British Society for Philosophy of Science (BSPS)

**Australasian:**

17. Australasian Association for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Science (AAHPSSS)

**German:**

18. German Society for Philosophy of Science (GWP)
19. Ethologische Gesellschaft

**LANGUAGES**

German (native)  
English (fluent)  
Spanish (beginner)  
Latvian (beginner)

**PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES**

Python  
NetLogo

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