

# John J. Callanan

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### **Areas of Specialization**

Kant, Mandeville

### **Areas of Competence**

Early Modern Philosophy

### **Employment**

Reader in the History of Philosophy – King's College London (2021-present)

Senior Lecturer – King's College London (2015-2021)

Lecturer – King's College London (2007-2015)

Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences Post-Doctoral Fellow – University College Dublin (2005-2007)

Visiting Fellow – University College Dublin (2004-2005)

Lecturer – University College Dublin (2003-2004)

### **Education**

D.Phil – University of Oxford (2000-2004)

Visiting Scholar – University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1998-1999)

M.Litt – University College Dublin (1997–1999), Distinction

B.A. – University College Dublin (1994-1997) – Philosophy– 1st Class Honours

Diploma in Legal Studies, King's Inns, Dublin (2005-2007)

## Publications

### Books

Forthcoming, *Kant and Metaphilosophy*

Cambridge Elements – The Philosophy of Immanuel Kant

(2025) *Man-Devil: The Mind and Times of Bernard Mandeville, the Wickedest Man in Europe*

<https://press.princeton.edu/books/hardcover/9780691165448/man-devil> (publication date January 14, 2025)

(2013) *Kant's Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals: A Reader's Guide* (Edinburgh University Press)

(Review:

[http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/09672559.2014.896623?journalCode=rph20#.U\\_8GuWTt9KE](http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/09672559.2014.896623?journalCode=rph20#.U_8GuWTt9KE))

### Edited Collections

(2020) *Kant and Animals*, eds. John J. Callanan & Lucy Allais, Oxford University Press.

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

(2019b) Kant on Misology and the Natural Dialectic, *Philosophers' Imprint*, 19: 47, 1-22. DOI:

<http://hdl.handle.net/2027/spo.3521354.0019.047>

(2019a) Methodological conservatism in Kant and Strawson, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 27:2, 422-442. DOI: [10.1080/09608788.2018.1477732](https://doi.org/10.1080/09608788.2018.1477732).

(2017a) Kant on the spontaneous power of the mind, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 25:3, 565-588. DOI: [10.1080/09608788.2016.1263183](https://doi.org/10.1080/09608788.2016.1263183).

(2014c) Kant on the Acquisition of Geometrical Concepts, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, 44:5-6, 580-604. DOI: [10.1080/00455091.2014.982746](https://doi.org/10.1080/00455091.2014.982746).

(Reprinted in *Kant: Studies on Mathematics in the Critical Period*, eds. Emily Carson and Lisa Shabel, Routledge, 2015)

(2014b) Mendelssohn and Kant on Mathematics and Metaphysics, *Kant Yearbook*, Volume 6, Issue 1, 1–22. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/kantyb-2014-0102>.

(2014a) Kant and the Role of the Holy Will, *Hegel Bulletin*, 35(2), 163-184. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/hgl.2014.25>.

(2013) Kant on Nativism, Scepticism and Necessity, *Kantian Review*, 18, (1), 1-27. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S136941541200026X>.

(2011b) Normativity and the Acquisition of the Categories, *Bulletin of the Hegel Society of Great Britain*, 2011, Nos. 63/64, 1-26. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0263523200000148>

(2011a) Making Sense of Doubt: Strawson's Anti-Scepticism, *Theoria*, 77 (3), 2011, 261-278. DOI:[10.1111/j.1755-2567.2011.01107.x](https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1755-2567.2011.01107.x).

(2008) Kant on Analogy, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 16 (4), 2008, 747 – 772. DOI: [10.1080/09608780802407480](https://doi.org/10.1080/09608780802407480).

(2006) Kant's Transcendental Strategy, *The Philosophical Quarterly*, 56 (224), 2006, 360-381. DOI:[10.1111/j.1467-9213.2006.00447.x](https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9213.2006.00447.x).

### Chapters in Edited Collections

*Forthcoming*, Obligation and History, *Festschrift for Bob Stern* (eds. Joshua Fortenzer & Joe Saunders)

*Forthcoming*, Rousseau on Reading Romance, *Routledge Handbook of the History of the Philosophy of Love* (eds. Natasha McKeever & Joe Saunders)

*Forthcoming*, Infinite Judgment about Things in Themselves, *Proceedings of the 14th International Kant Congress 'Kant's Project of Enlightenment'*

- (2022) The Boundary of Pure Reason, in Peter Thielke (ed.), *Cambridge Guide to Kant's Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics*, Cambridge University Press.
- (2021) Less than Zero: The Historical Context of Kant's Opposition to Suicide, in Susan James (ed.), *Life and Death in Early Modern Philosophy*, Oxford University Press.
- (2020) The Comparison of Animals, in John J. Callanan & Lucy Allais (eds.), *Kant and Animals*, Oxford University Press.
- (2019b) Transcendental Idealism: Kant, in John Shand (ed.) *A Companion to 19th Century Philosophy*, Wiley-Blackwell.
- (2017b) The Ideal of Reason, in James R. O'Shea (ed.) *Cambridge Guide to the Critique of Pure Reason*, Cambridge University Press.
- (2015) Mandeville on Pride and Animal Nature, in *Bernard de Mandeville's Tropology of Paradoxes*, Springer.
- (2010) Kant on Innate Ideas – Another Look at B167-8, *Kant Und Die Philosophie in Weltbürgerlicher Absicht: Akten Des XI. Kant-Kongresses 2010*, 2013, Walter de Gruyter, pp. 53-64.

#### Online Publications

- (2024) Editor, Virtual Issue of the Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society on Kant:  
<https://academic.oup.com/aristotelian/pages/aristotelian-society-virtual-issue-kant>

#### Work in Progress

- Kant and the Origin of Thought* (research monograph in preparation)
- Reading the Groundwork* (research monograph in preparation)
- 'Mandeville's Genealogy of Virtue' (paper in preparation)

## Critical Reviews

‘On Wayne Waxman’s “Kant’s Anatomy of the Intelligent Mind”’, *Critique* (November 2018) – <https://virtualcritique.wordpress.com/2018/11/03/on-wayne-waxmans-kants-anatomy-of-the-intelligent-mind/>

## Encyclopaedia Entries

‘Analogy’, ‘Analogies of Experience’, ‘Psychology’, entries in *The Continuum Kant Companion* (2012).

## Recent Reviews

(Forthcoming), Review of Schafer and Stang (eds.) *The Sensible and Intelligible Worlds*, *Kantian Review*

(2025) Review of Karl Schafer, *Kant’s Reason*, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*, <https://ndpr.nd.edu/reviews/kants-reason-the-unity-of-reason-and-the-limits-of-comprehension-in-kant/>

(2020) Review of Mellissa Merritt, *Kant on Reflection and Virtue*, *Kantian Review*.

(2019) Review of Robert Stern, *Kantian Ethics*, in *Journal of Moral Philosophy*.

(2017) Review of Nicholas F. Stang, *Kant’s Modal Metaphysics*, in *Studi Kantiani*, XXX, 231-234.

(2017) Review of R. Lanier Anderson, *The Poverty of Conceptual Truth*, in *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*. 25 (2):415-417 (2017)

(2015) Review of *Kant and the Creation of Freedom*, in *Religious Studies*, Vol. 51 (4), 2015, 587-593.

(2014) Review of *Kant’s Observations and Remarks: A Critical Guide*, in *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, Vol. 52 (2).

## **Recent Presentations**

- September 2024, ‘Infinite Judgments about Things In Themselves’, Kant Congress, Bonn, Germany
- April 2024, ‘The Phenomena/Noumena Section’, Princeton University, U.S.A.
- November 2023, ‘Comments on Catherine Wilson’s ‘Kant and the naturalistic turn of 18th Century philosophy’, Merton College, Oxford
- September 2023, ‘Thinking of Things in Themselves’, UKKS Annual Conference, St. Edmunds College, Oxford

- May 2023, ‘Mandeville’s Genealogy of Virtue’, Scottish Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, St. Andrews
- February 2023, ‘Thinking of Things in Themselves’, Royal Holloway, London
- November 2019, [Keynote Speaker] ‘Kant on Signs *In Concreto* in Geometry’, Loxbridge Kant Workshop, University College London
- June 2019, ‘The Boundary of Pure Reason’, British Society for the History of Philosophy Annual Conference, King’s College London

## Teaching

### Undergraduate Courses and Modules Taught (2007-present)

- Kant’s Epistemology and Metaphysics
- Kant’s Ethics and Aesthetics
- History of Ethics
- History of Political Philosophy
- 19<sup>th</sup> Century Continental Philosophy
- Facts and Values in Historical Perspective
- Values, Needs and Desires
- Early Modern Philosophy

### Postgraduate Courses and Modules (2007-present)

- Kant’s Critique of Pure Reason
- Kant’s Moral Philosophy
- Kant’s Moral and Aesthetic Theory
- Early Modern Philosophy

## Supervision

- Undergraduate dissertations 2007-present.
- M.A. dissertations 2010-present.
- MPhil Studies Dissertation supervision,
- PhD Dissertation supervision.

- Various MPhil Studies and PhD supervision.

### **Additional Qualifications**

- Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice – King’s College London – 2010

### **Scholarships and Awards**

- Nominated three times for KCL Teaching Excellence Awards (Special Mention in 2020 for repeated nominations)
- Nominated twice for KCL Supervisory Excellence Awards.
- Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences Post-Doctoral Fellow – University College Dublin – 2005-2007
- Modular Fellowship – University College Dublin – 2003
- Prendergast Award – University of Oxford – 2001, 2002
- Travelling Studentship in Philosophy –National University of Ireland – 2000 – 2003

### **Administrative Duties**

- PGR Lead (2023—present)
- Director of Studies, PGT Programmes (2016 - 2022)
- Admissions Officer, PGT Programmes (2016 – 2022)
- Senior Research Tutor for Graduate Students (2010-2016)
- Senior Tutor for the MPhil Studies Degree (2014-2016)
- Academic Board Junior Member (2013-2018)
- Deputy Undergraduate Exams Officer (2010-2012)
- Graduate Admission Tutor (2009-10)
- School of Humanities Research Committee Member (2008-10)
- Postgraduate and Research Committee Member (2008-2009)

## Other Information and Services to the Profession

- Executive Committee, British Society for the History of Philosophy (2023-present)
- Executive Committee, Aristotelian Society (2023-present)
- Reviews Editor for *Philosophy* (2019-present)
- Co-Organiser King's History of Philosophy Seminar (KHOPS) (2015-21)
- Membership Officer for UK Kant Society (2015 - 2019)
- Executive Committee Member of the British Philosophical Association (2012- 2019)
- External Examiner for UCL BA, MA and MPhil Degrees. (2019-present)
- External Examiner for University of Sussex, MA degrees (2019-present)
- External Examiner BA and MA degrees, University East Anglia (2012-2015)
- External Examiner Birkbeck External BA Degree (2008-10),
- External Examiner for Doctoral Dissertations undertaken at: University College London, University of St. Andrews, University of East Anglia, University of Essex, University College Dublin, University of Warwick.
- Referee for: *Analysis*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, *French Studies*, *History of Philosophy & Logical Analysis*, *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, *Journal for History of Analytic Philosophy*, *Journal of the History of Ideas*, *Journal of Modern Philosophy*, *Journal of Transcendental Philosophy*, *Kantian Review*, *Kant Studies Online*, *Mind*, *Philosopher's Imprint*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy*, *Review of Metaphysics*, *Synthese*
- Referee for *Oxford University Press*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Bloomsbury*, *Palgrave Macmillan*, *Routledge*, *Princeton University Press*.