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Nationality: Italian

Languages: English (fluent); Italian (native language); French (very good); Latin.

AoS: Early modern philosophy, Reformed scholasticism

AoC: Early modern intellectual history, Medieval philosophy, Renaissance philosophy, Scottish Enlightenment, Reformed theology

Positions and Fellowships:

- 08/2016 – 07/2020 Swiss National Science Foundation Senior Postdoctoral Researcher with SNSF Prof. Christian Maurer
Philosophie, Faculté de Lettres
Université de Lausanne, Switzerland
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- 07/2019 – 09/2019 Visiting Research Fellowship at the School of Religious Studies, McGill University, Montréal, Québec.
- 06/2018 – 08/2018 Visiting Research Fellowship at IASH, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland (awarded April 2017). With the support of the SNSF programme 'Scientific Exchanges'.
- 10/2016 – 09/2018 Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Research Fellowship (awarded 11/2015)
Department of Philosophy, Humboldt Universität, Berlin
[renounced for SNSF postdoctoral position at University of Lausanne]
- 10/2014 – 12/2014 Visiting Research Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Philosophy, Université de Fribourg (Switzerland)
- 01/03/2014 – Research Affiliate, School of Humanities, University of Glasgow
- 2010 – 2014 Network Facilitator (and research contributor)

International project: *Scottish philosophers and philosophy in seventeenth-century Scotland and France*

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<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/humanities/research/historyresearch/researchprojects/scottishphilosophersin17cscotlandandfrance/>

Education:

- 2008 – 2012 Ph.D. in History subject (awarded June 2012)
University of Glasgow
Thesis title: ‘Natural Philosophy in the Graduation Theses of the Scottish Universities in the first half of the seventeenth century’
Supervisor: Prof. Alexander Broadie
Examiners: Thomas Ahnert, Steven J. Reid
<http://theses.gla.ac.uk/3285/>
- 2005 – 2008 Laurea Magistrale (MA equivalent) with 1st Class Honours in History of Modern Philosophy
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano, Italy
Dissertation title: ‘Aristotelianism and Cartesianism in the Aberdeen graduation theses in the second half of the seventeenth century’
Supervisor: Prof. Mario Sina
- 2006 – 2007 Visiting undergraduate student (Erasmus programme)
Department of Philosophy, University of Aberdeen
- 2002 – 2005 Laurea Triennale (BA equivalent) with 1st Class Honours
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano, Italy

Publications:

Books:

1. Gellera G. with Broadie A. (forthcoming 2022) *James Dundas: The Idea of Moral Philosophy (1679)*. First critical edition and translation, with commentary, of the MS of James Dundas’s *Idea philosophiae moralis*. Edinburgh University Press.
2. Gellera, G. (under contract) *The Graduation Theses of the Scottish Professors in the Seventeenth Century: Selected Texts and Translations*. Under contract with the Scottish History Society, Edinburgh.
3. PhD thesis (2012): ‘Natural Philosophy in the Graduation Theses of the Scottish Universities in the first half of the seventeenth century’
<http://theses.gla.ac.uk/3285/>

Articles and chapters:

1. Gellera, G. (2020) 'James Dundas on John Cameron and Thomas Hobbes: Psychological Determinism and Compatibilism'. *Reformation & Renaissance Review* (online 2 september 2020).
2. Gellera, G. (2020) 'Hobbes and the Early Modern Ordinary Language of Will and Liberty'. *Studia Philosophica* 79, 157–171.
3. Gellera, G. (2020) 'Logic and epistemology in the 17c Scottish universities', in Broadie A. (ed.), *Scottish Philosophy in the Seventeenth Century*. Oxford University Press, 111–126.
4. Gellera, G. (2020) 'Reformed Scholasticism in 17c Scottish philosophy', in Broadie A. (ed.), *Scottish Philosophy in the Seventeenth Century*. Oxford University Press, 94–110.
5. Gellera, G. (forthcoming 2020) 'Natural Philosophy', in Braun H.E. – De Bom E. (eds) *Companion to the Spanish Scholastics*. Brill: Companions to the Christian Traditions series.
6. Gellera, G. and Maurer, C. (2019) 'Contexts of religious tolerance: new perspectives from early modern Britain and beyond'. Introduction to special issue of *Global Intellectual History* V(2): 126–135.
7. Gellera, G. (2019) 'Christian Tolerance and Tolerance of the Christians: Natural Law and Conscience in James Dundas's *Idea Philosophiae Moralis* (1679)'. *Global Intellectual History* V(2): 171–190.
8. Gellera, G. (2019) 'Sixteenth-century philosophy and theology after John Mair', in Fergusson, D. – Elliott, M. (eds) *History of Scottish Theology*. 3 vols. Oxford University Press, 109–123.
9. Gellera, G. (2019) 'Pride aside: James Dundas as a Stoic Christian', *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 17(2): 157–174.
10. Gellera, G. (forthcoming 2020) 'Luther's critique of Duns Scotus in the *Disputatio contra Scholasticam Theologiam* (1517): free will, pelagianism and citizenship', in Grandjean, M. – Askani, H.-C. (eds) *Luther und die Philosophie*. Mohr Siebeck: Hermeneutische Untersuchungen zur Theologie.
11. Gellera, G. (forthcoming) 'A Scotistic answer to a Thomistic problem. Scotism and the Eucharist in the seventeenth Century', in the proceedings of the conference: *Implications philosophiques et théologiques de la doctrine eucharistique*, Geneva, 17-18 June 2015.
12. Gellera, G. (2019) 'James Dundas (c. 1620-1679) et Charles II. Tolérance religieuse, liberté de conscience et limites de la souveraineté', in Krumenacker, Y. – Recous, N. (eds), *Le Protestant et l'Hétérodoxe. Entre Eglises et Etats (XVIe-XVIIIe siècles)*. Paris: Classiques Garnier, 39–58.

13. Gellera, G. (forthcoming) 'Dalrymple's *Physiologia Nova Experimentalis* (1686): theory of perception and the principles of natural philosophy', in Broadie A. – Reid S.J. (eds), *Philosophical Discourse in Seventeenth-Century Scotland: Key Texts*. Scottish History Society, Edinburgh.
14. Gellera, G. (forthcoming) 'Robertson's Philosophical Theses (1596): between late Renaissance and early modern scholasticism', in Broadie A. – Reid S.J. (eds), *Philosophical Discourse in Seventeenth-Century Scotland: Key Texts*. Scottish History Society, Edinburgh.
15. Gellera, G. (2018) 'Common Sense and Ideal Theory in seventeenth-century Scottish philosophy', in Bow, C.B. (ed.), *Common Sense in the Scottish Enlightenment*. Oxford University Press, 19–36.
16. Gellera, G. (2017) 'A "Calvinist" theory of matter? Burgersdijk and Descartes on *res extensa*'. *Intellectual History Review*, published online November 2017.
17. Gellera, G. (2017) 'English Philosophers and Scottish Academic Philosophy (1660-1700)'. *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 15(2): 213–231.
18. Gellera, G. (2017) 'The doctrine of the Fall in seventeenth-century reformed scholasticism: philosophy between faith and scepticism', in Hadromi-Allouche, Z. – Larkin, Á. (eds), *Fall Narratives*. Routledge, 78–89.
19. Gellera, G. (2016) 'The Scottish Faculties of Arts and Cartesianism (1650-1700)', *History of Universities* XXIX/2: 166–187. Oxford University Press.
20. Gellera, G. (2016) 'The epistemology of sense from Calvin to Hutcheson', special issue of *Journal of Scottish Thought* 7: 148–170.
21. Gellera, G. (2015) 'The reception of Descartes in the seventeenth-century Scottish universities: metaphysics and natural philosophy (1650-1680)', *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 13.3: 179–201.
22. Gellera, G. (2013) 'Calvinist Metaphysics and the Eucharist in the Early Seventeenth Century', *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 21.6: 1091–1110.
23. Gellera, G. (2013) 'The Philosophy of Robert Forbes: a Scottish Scholastic Response to Cartesianism', *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 11.2: 191–211.
24. Gellera, G. (2010) 'Theses Philosophicae in Aberdeen in the Early Eighteenth Century', *Journal of Scottish Thought* 3: 109–125.

Book reviews:

Hutton, S. *British Philosophy in the Seventeenth Century*. Oxford University Press, 2015. In *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 14.2 (2016).

Adams, S. – Goodare J. (eds.) *Scotland in the Age of Two Revolutions*. Boydell Press, 2014. In *Journal of Scottish Historical Studies* 36.2 (2016).

Mijers, E. “News from the Republic of Letters”: *Scottish Students, Charles Mackie and the United Provinces, 1650-1750*. Leiden: Brill, 2012. In *Eighteenth-Century Scotland Newsletter* 28 (2014).

Teaching:

- 2019-2020 ‘Liberté et Nécessité dans la philosophie moderne.’
Modern and contemporary philosophy, BA course. Terms 2.
Chargé de cours. Université de Lausanne, philosophie.
- 2018-2019 ‘La réception du stoïcisme dans la philosophie moderne.’
Modern and contemporary philosophy. MA course. Term 1.
Teaching assistant. Université de Lausanne, philosophie.
- 2017-2018 ‘Religion et morale.’
Modern and contemporary philosophy. BA course. Term 2.
Teaching assistant. Université de Lausanne, philosophie.
- 2013–2014 Course design: ‘Term 1: ‘Morality and the Idea of the Market in Scottish Thought’; Term 2: ‘The Theory of the State in Scottish Thought.’ The Open Studies Department, Faculty of Education, University of Glasgow.
- March 2013 Philosophy tutor, Hutchesons’ Grammar School, Glasgow.
- 2012–2013 Tutor: ‘Knowledge and the World’ (philosophy course on Descartes’ *Meditations*, Critical thinking, Epistemology, Philosophy of mind), University of Glasgow.
- 2012–2013 Tutor: ‘Right and Wrong’ (philosophy course on Plato’s *Republic*, Applied and Normative ethics), University of Glasgow.

Other academic experiences:

- 2010–2014 Administrator of Leverhulme International Network project ‘Scottish philosophers and philosophy in 17th-century Scotland and France’.
- June–Dec. 2012 Editor of Broadie, A. – Downie, R. *Glasgow Moral Philosophy in the Enlightenment* (Glasgow: University of Glasgow Faculty of Arts, 2013).