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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Semantics and Philosophy of Language
Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Logic
Philosophy of Science

EDUCATION

2015 Ph.D., M.Phil. (2011), M.A. (2009), Philosophy, Columbia University
2004 B.A., Philosophy (with Honors, Intensive Program), University of Chicago.

EMPLOYMENT

2022 - Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Massachusetts Amherst
2019 - 2022 Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Linguistics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2018 - 2019 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
2015 - 2017 Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow, Leibniz-Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS), Berlin, Germany
2014 - 2015 Mercator Research Fellow, Institute für Philosophie II & Episodic Memory Research Group, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany

PUBLICATIONS

A. JOURNAL RESEARCH ARTICLES

1. **Del Pinal, G.** 2021. Probabilistic semantics for epistemic modals: Normality assumptions, conditional epistemic spaces, and the strength of *must* and *might*. *Linguistics and Philosophy* (DOI: [10.1007/s10988-021-09339-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10988-021-09339-6))
2. **Del Pinal, G.** 2021. The Logicity of Language: Contextualism vs. Semantic Minimalism. *Mind* (DOI: [10.1093/mind/fzab020](https://doi.org/10.1093/mind/fzab020)).
3. Bassi, I., **Del Pinal, G.**, and Sauerland, U. 2021. Presuppositional exhaustification. *Semantics and Pragmatics*, 14(11): 1-42. (DOI: [10.3765/sp.14.11](https://doi.org/10.3765/sp.14.11))
4. **Del Pinal, G.** 2021. Oddness, modularity and exhaustification. *Natural Language Semantics*, 29: 115-158. (DOI: [10.1007/s11050-020-09172-w](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11050-020-09172-w))

5. **Del Pinal, G.** and Waldon, B. 2019. Modals under epistemic tension: A defense of the restricted quantificational account of *must* and *might*. *Natural Language Semantics*, 27(2): 135–188. (DOI: [10.1007/s11050-019-09151-w](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11050-019-09151-w))
6. **Del Pinal, G.** 2019. The Logicality of language: A new take on triviality, ‘ungrammaticality’, and logical form. *Noûs*, 53(4): 785-218. (DOI: [10.1111/nous.12235](https://doi.org/10.1111/nous.12235))
7. **Del Pinal, G.** 2018. Meaning, modulation, and context: A multidimensional semantics for truth-conditional pragmatics. *Linguistics and Philosophy*, 41(2): 165-207. (DOI: [10.1007/s10988-017-9221-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10988-017-9221-z))
 - Reprinted in *The Philosopher’s Annual 2018* (selection of the ten best philosophy articles each year)
8. **Del Pinal, G.** and Spaulding, S. 2018. Conceptual centrality and implicit bias. *Mind & Language*, 33(1): 95-111. (DOI: [10.1111/mila.12166](https://doi.org/10.1111/mila.12166))
9. **Del Pinal, G.**, Madva, A. and Reuter, K. 2017. Stereotypes, conceptual centrality and gender bias: An empirical investigation. *Ratio*, 30(4): 384-410. (DOI: [10.1111/rati.12170](https://doi.org/10.1111/rati.12170))
10. *Nathan, M. J. and ***Del Pinal, G.** 2017. The future of cognitive neuroscience? Reverse in focus. *Philosophy Compass*, 12(7). (DOI: [10.1111/phc3.12427](https://doi.org/10.1111/phc3.12427)) [*first authors]
11. **Del Pinal, G.** and Reuter, K. 2017. Dual-character concepts in social cognition: Commitments and the normative dimension of conceptual representation. *Cognitive Science*, 41(S3): 477-501. (DOI: [10.1111/cogs.12456](https://doi.org/10.1111/cogs.12456))
12. *Nathan, M. J., and ***Del Pinal, G.** 2016. Mapping the mind: Bridge-laws at the psycho-neural interface. *Synthese*, 193(2): 637-657. (DOI: [10.1007/s11229-015-0769-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-015-0769-2)) [*first authors]
13. **Del Pinal, G.** 2016. Prototypes as compositional components of concepts. *Synthese*, 193(9): 2899-2927. (DOI: [10.1007/s11229-015-0892-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11229-015-0892-0))
14. **Del Pinal, G.** 2015. The structure of semantic competence: Compositionality as an innate constraint of the Faculty of Language. *Mind & Language*, 30(4): 365-413. (DOI: [10.1111/mila.12084](https://doi.org/10.1111/mila.12084)).
15. **Del Pinal, G.** 2015. Dual content semantics, privative adjectives, and dynamic compositionality. *Semantics and Pragmatics*, vol. 8: 1-53. (DOI: [10.3765/sp.8.7](https://doi.org/10.3765/sp.8.7))
16. **Del Pinal, G.** and Nathan, M. J. 2013. There and up again: On the uses and misuses of neuroimaging for psychology. *Cognitive Neuropsychology*, 30(4): 232-252. (DOI: [10.1080/02643294.2013.846254](https://doi.org/10.1080/02643294.2013.846254))

B. BOOK CHAPTERS, HANDBOOK ARTICLES AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

17. **Del Pinal, G.** (to appear, 2022) Logicality and the semantics of natural languages. In Brendel, E., Carrara, M., Hjortland, O., Sagi, G., Sher, G., Steinenberg, F. and Ferrari, F., *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Logic*.
18. **Del Pinal, G.** (to appear, 2022). The Logicality of language, meaning modulation and logical form. In Lepore, E. and Stojnić, U. (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook to Contemporary Philosophy of Language*.
19. **Del Pinal, G.** (2021). Semantic Minimalism vs. Contextualism in light of the Logicality of Language. In Stalmaszczyk (ed.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Philosophy of Language*. (DOI: [10.1017/9781108698283.011](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781108698283.011))
20. **Del Pinal, G.** and Nathan, M. J. 2017. Two kinds of reverse inference in cognitive neuroscience. In Leafman, J. and Hildt, E. (eds.) *The Human Sciences after the Decade of the Brain*, Elsevier. (DOI: [10.1016/B978-0-12-804205-2.00008-2](https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-804205-2.00008-2))

21. **Del Pinal, G.** and Reuter, K. 2015. On the content of dual character concepts. In David C. Noelle and Rick Dale (Eds.) *Proceedings of the 37th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*. Pasadena, Ca: Cognitive Science Society.
22. Nathan, M. J. and **Del Pinal, G.** 2014. Associative bridge laws and the psycho-neural interface. *Proceedings of the Philosophy of Science Association 24th Biennial Meeting*. Chicago, IL.

C. RESEARCH ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW/IN PREPARATION

23. **Del Pinal, G.**, Bassi, I. and Sauerland, U. (under review). Free choice and presuppositional exhaustification.
24. **Del Pinal, G.** (in preparation). Meaning-driven unacceptability, restrictions on logical terms, and the ‘spontaneous Logicality of language’.
25. **Del Pinal, G.** (in preparation). Advertisement for a multidimensional semantics: Quantifiers, verification conditions, and truth-conditional redundancy.

TALKS

- ‘Meaning-driven unacceptability and the spontaneous Logicality of language’
 - University College London, October 2021
 - University of Göttingen, November 2021
 - Stanford University, November 2021
 - Leibniz-ZAS, Berlin, December 2021
 - University of Massachusetts, Amherst, March 2022
 - University of California, Davis, April 2022
- ‘Free choice and presuppositional exhaustification (with Bassi, I. and Sauerland, U.)’
 - Leibniz-ZAS, Berlin, December 2021 SILT I, Cabo, June 2022
- ‘The Logicality of language: Contextualism vs. Semantic Minimalism’
 - Mind and Language in LA Talk Series, November 2020
 - University of Chicago, March 2021
 - University of Indiana at Bloomington, March 2021
- ‘Presuppositional exhaustification’ (with Bassi, I. and Sauerland, U.)
 - Exhaustivity in questions and answers, University of Tübingen, June 2019
 - Leibniz-ZAS, Berlin, November 2021
 - Jean Nicod, Paris, November 2021
- ‘Oddness, modularity and exhaustification’
 - Department of Linguistics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 2019
 - University of Barcelona, May 2019
- ‘Conceptual centrality and the stability of social biases’
 - Department of Philosophy, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 2019
 - Duke University, November 2018
 - Race, Gender and Feminist Philosophy Working Group, University of Michigan, April 2018
- ‘Epistemic modals and epistemic tensions’ (with Waldon, B.)
 - Testing Linguistic Intuitions workshop, University of Hamburg, March 2018
 - Cognitive Science Colloquia, University of Michigan, March 2018
 - Freie Universität Berlin, December 2017
 - Leibniz-Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, November 2017
 - 10th California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics Workshop, UC Irvine, October 2017

- ‘The Logicality of language: a new take on triviality and logical form’
 Department of Philosophy, Northwestern University, January 2018
 Linguistics and Philosophy colloquium, University of Cologne, July 2017
 Representation, meaning, content workshop, University of Turin, July 2017
 Word meaning workshop, University of the Basque Country, November 2016
- ‘Conceptual centrality and implicit bias’ (with Spaulding, S.)
 Society of Philosophy and Psychology, 43rd annual meeting, John Hopkins University, June 2017
- ‘A multidimensional semantics for truth-conditional pragmatics’
 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, October 2016
 New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University, May 2016
 Pervasive Context Conference, University of Beijing, China, October 2015
 Leibniz-Center for General Linguistics, Berlin, Oct 2015
- ‘Stereotypes, conceptual centrality and gender bias: An empirical investigation’ (with Reuter, K. and Madva, A.)
 24th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of St Andrews, Scotland, August 2016
 Ratio Conference and 7th annual conference of The Experimental Philosophy Group UK, Experimental Philosophy as Applied Philosophy, University of Reading, UK, April 2016
- ‘Dual character concepts’ (with Reuter, K.)
 24th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, University of St Andrews, Scotland, August 2016
 GAP.9 (German Society for Analytic Philosophy), Philosophy between Armchair and Lab, Osnabruck, September 2015
- ‘Pattern-based reverse Inference and associative bridge-laws’ (with Nathan, M. J.)
 Philosophy of Science Association 24th Biennial meeting, Chicago, November 2014
 30th Annual Boulder Conference on the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Colorado Boulder, October 2014
 NRG Seminar Series, Department of Psychology, University of Denver, February 2014
 European School of Molecular Medicine & European Institute of Oncology, June 2013
- ‘Dual content semantics, privative adjectives and dynamic compositionality’
 Department of Linguistics, University College London, November 2013
 Institute of Philosophy II colloquium, Ruhr University, Bochum, October 2013
- ‘Why Should the Faculty of Language be Compositional?’
 The New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University, Spring 2012

TEACHING AND ADVISING

- Classes taught:
- Computation semantics (grad.), UIUC, Spring 2022
 - Minds and Machines (und.), UIUC, Spring 2021, Spring 2022
 - Philosophy of Language (und.), UIUC, Fall 2020
 - Conceptions of Human Nature (und.), UIUC, Fall 2020
 - Seminar in Philosophy of Language: Semantics, Natural Logic, and Reasoning (grad.), UIUC, Spring 2020
 - Elements of Semantics and Pragmatics (und.), UIUC, Spring 2020, Spring 2021
 - Philosophy of Mind: Foundations of Cognitive Science (und.), UIUC, Fall 2019
 - Introduction to the Philosophy and Cognitive Science of Stereotypes and Social Biases (und.), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Winter 2019

Topics in Philosophy of Language: Language and Natural Reasoning (grad.),
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Winter 2018

Dissertations: Xiaomeng Bu (UIUC, Philosophy, Co-supervised)
Brittney Currie (UIUC, Philosophy, Committee)
Mingyuan Li (UIUC, Philosophy, Co-supervised)
Sofya Styrina (UIUC, Linguistics, Prelim Exam)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS

Grants: Humanities Teaching Release Time Fellowship, Campus Research Board, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, UIUC, Fall 2021

Fellowships: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Postdoctoral Fellowship (2018 - 2020)
Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship (2015-2017)
Mercator Stiftung Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (2014-2015)
Columbia University Faculty Fellow (for PhD studies)

Prizes: *The Philosopher's Annual 2018* (selection of the ten best philosophy articles each year) for my article 'Meaning, modulation and context: A multidimensional semantics for truth-conditional pragmatics'.
Lina Kahn Prize for essay in metaphysics, Columbia University (2013)
The Manley Thompson Prize for best undergraduate thesis in philosophy, University of Chicago (2004)
General and Departmental Honors, University of Chicago (2004)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Committees: 2021-2022 (at UIUC): Outreach and fundraising program committee, Computer Science + Philosophy program committee
2020-2021 (at UIUC): Undergraduate program committee, Computer Science + Philosophy program committee, Search committee for Lecturer in continental philosophy position.
2019-2020 (at UIUC): Undergraduate program committee, Computer Science + Philosophy program committee.

Organization: 1st Annual Philosophy of Language Association Conference (with Michaelson, E. and Radulescu, A. and Ritchie, K. and Stojnic, U. and Viebahn, E. and Zakkou, J.) [[WEBSITE](#)]
Semantics and natural logic workshop (with Sauerland, U.), Sinn und Bedeutung 22, Leibniz-ZAS Berlin, September 2017. [[WEBSITE](#)]
Meaning beyond truth conditions (with Karawani, H. and Viebahn, E.), Humboldt University, Berlin, April 2017. [[WEBSITE](#)]
Dynamic Semantics workshop (with Meyer, M. and Rothschild, D.), Leibniz-ZAS Berlin, May 2016. [[WEBSITE](#)]

Refereed for: Analysis, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, Cambridge University Press, Cognition, Cognitive Science, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Journal of Semantics, Language, Linguistics and Philosophy, Mind, Mind and Language, Natural Language Semantics, Noûs, Oxford University Press, Philosophical Psychology, Philosophical Review, Semantics and Pragmatics, Snippets, Synthese

REFERENCES

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