

## Society for Applied Philosophy

### Annual Conference 2026

University of Edinburgh, JMCC, 03 – 05 July

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#### Friday 03 July

##### 10.00am-12.00pm SAP Executive Committee Meeting

Boardroom 1 & 2 (JMCC Foyer)	<i>SAP EC members only</i>
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##### 12.00-1.30pm JoAP Editorial Board Meeting

Boardroom 1 & 2 (JMCC Foyer)	<i>JoAP EB members only (lunch provided)</i>
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##### 1.00-2.30pm Registration (and Lunch)

JMCC Foyer (& Centro)	<i>All conference delegates  Registration will be on 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Foyer area  Lunch will be on the Ground Floor (in Centro)</i>
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##### 2.30-3.10pm Concurrent Sessions 1 (5)

Pentland East	<i>Collective Harm and Individual Wrongful Acts</i> <b>Andrea Asker</b> (Stockholm University) Chair: <b>Ashley Lindsley-Kim</b> (University of British Columbia)
Prestonfield	<i>What's 'basic' about basic needs?</i> <b>Ben Davies</b> (University of Sheffield) Chair: <b>Andrée-Anne Cormier</b> (École nationale d'administration publique, Université du Québec (Montréal))
Duddingston	<i>Defusing Ticking Bombs through Imposition of Pleasure: On the Nature of the Special Wrongness of Interrogational Torture</i> <b>Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen</b> (Aarhus University), and <b>James Christensen</b> (Essex University) Chair: <b>Lars Christie</b> (Inland University Norway)
Holyrood	<i>The Three Different Types of Fairness in Sport &amp; Their Bearing on Transgender Inclusion</i> <b>Katerina Jennings</b> (University of Oxford) Chair: <b>Rosa Vince</b> (University of Leeds)
Salisbury	<i>Manipulation, and Mental Integrity</i> <b>Sean Aas</b> (Georgetown University) Chair: <b>Massimo Renzo</b> (King's College London)

3.20-4.00pm **Concurrent Sessions 2 (5)**

Pentland East	<i>Loving Control: The Permissibility of Peer Paternalism</i> <b>Angela Mendelovici</b> (University of Western Ontario), and <b>Anthony Skelton</b> (University of Western Ontario) Chair: <b>Ben Sachs-Cobbe</b> (University of St. Andrews)
Prestonfield	<i>Ghost Work: Conceptual and Normative Concerns</i> <b>Denise Celentano</b> (University of Montreal) Chair: <b>Viktor Ivanković</b> (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)
Duddingston	<i>Enough is Enough in Parenting</i> <b>Reuven Brandt</b> (UC San Diego) Chair: <b>Ben Davies</b> (University of Sheffield)
Holyrood	<i>Why healthcare providers should not offer assisted dying to patients</i> <b>Esther Braun</b> (University of Oxford) Chair: <b>Andrea Asker</b> (Stockholm University)
Salisbury	<i>Privilege, Structural Wrongs, and Interpersonal Duties</i> <b>Giulio Fornaroli</b> (Jagellonian University in Krakow) Chair: <b>Dong An</b> (Zhejiang University)

4.00-4.30pm **Tea / Coffee**

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4.30-5.10pm **Concurrent Sessions 3 (5)**

Pentland East	<i>Moral Bitterness Reconsidered</i> <b>Dong An</b> (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb) Chair: <b>Viktor Ivanković</b> (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)
Prestonfield	<i>Accountability Proportionality</i> <b>Gunnar Björnsson</b> (Stockholm University) Chair: <b>Saba Bazargan-Forward</b> (University of California, San Diego)
Duddingston	<i>Freedom of Information Choice</i> <b>Shira Ahissar</b> (LSE) Chair: <b>Alex Voorhoeve</b> (LSE)
Holyrood	<i>Fertility interventions: Should the state pay?</i> <b>Giulia Cavaliere</b> (UCL Philosophy) Chair: <b>Gerald Lang</b> (University of Leeds)
Salisbury	<i>Human Dignity and Meaning in Life</i> <b>Roland Kipke</b> (Bielefeld University) Chair: <b>Cara Addleman</b> (University of Oxford)

#### 5.20-6.00pm **Concurrent Sessions 4 (5)**

Pentland East	<i>Entangled Answerability: Taking Responsibility in the Absence of Fault</i> <b>Fabio Tollon</b> (University of Edinburgh) Chair: <b>Ben Sachs-Cobbe</b> (University of St. Andrews)
Prestonfield	<i>Reasons, requests and requests for permission</i> <b>Rebecca Brione</b> (King's College London) Chair: <b>Piero Moraro</b> (Edith Cowan University)
Duddingston	<i>Injustice and equal chances in humanitarian aid.</i> <b>Lars Christie</b> (Inland University Norway) Chair: <b>Kieran Oberman</b> (LSE)
Holyrood	<i>Gender, Biology, and the Allocation of Parental Obligations</i> <b>Francesca Miccoli</b> (University of Basel) Chair: <b>Johanna Rensing</b> (University of Basel)
Salisbury	<i>Against Enabling Reasons for Belief</i> <b>Guillaume Andrieux</b> (University of Glasgow) Chair: <b>Leonardo Nanni</b> (Università degli Studi di Bergamo)

#### 6.10-7.20pm **Plenary Session 1 (1)**

Pentland East	<i>The New Extremism</i> <b>Quassim Cassam</b> (University of Warwick) Chair: <b>Massimo Renzo</b> (King's College London)
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#### 7.20-8.00pm **Wine Reception**

Kirkland	<i>All conference delegates</i>
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#### 8.00-9.30pm **Dinner**

South Hall	<i>Conference delegates registered for dinner only</i>
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## Saturday 04 July

### 9.30-10.10am Concurrent Sessions 5 (5)

Pentland East	<i>Unbounded Desire, Ordinary Pain, and the Ethics of Limits under Contemporary Capitalism</i> <b>Tania Hernández González</b> (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid) Chair: <b>Karamir Chadha</b> (University of Durham)
Prestonfield	<i>Military Conscription and the Duty to Rescue</i> <b>Helen Frowe</b> (Stockholm University) Chair: <b>Gunnar Björnsson</b> (Stockholm University)
Duddingston	<i>The Good, the Bad, and the Neutral: On the Value of Human Existence</i> <b>Shlomi Segall</b> (The Hebrew University) Chair: <b>Reuven Brandt</b> (UC San Diego)
Holyrood	<i>Gender, Causal Inference, and the Rubin Causal Model: Mechanisms, Analogy, and Warrant</i> <b>Liyuan Jiao</b> (Durham University) Chair: <b>Alyssa Izatt</b> (University of British Columbia)
Salisbury	<i>Grief and Voluntary Assisted Dying</i> <b>Michael Cholbi</b> (University of Edinburgh) Chair: <b>Avery Kolers</b> (University of Tennessee)

### 10.20-11.00am Concurrent Sessions 6 (5)

Pentland East	<i>Do we have a collective obligation to care for a fetus?</i> <b>Alison Toop</b> (University of Leeds) Chair: <b>Roland Kipke</b> (Bielefeld University)
Prestonfield	<i>Limited Aggregation: A New, Sufficiency-Approach</i> <b>Alex Voorhoeve</b> (LSE), and <b>Norihito Sakamoto</b> (Tokyo University of Science) Chair: <b>Christopher Bennett</b> (University of Sheffield)
Duddingston	<i>Nature vs Murder</i> <b>Kieran Oberman</b> (LSE) Chair: <b>Giulia Cavaliere</b> (UCL Philosophy)
Holyrood	<i>Making Excuses for Political Incompetence</i> <b>Michele Giavazzi</b> (Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich) Chair: <b>Valeria Ottonelli</b> (University of Genoa)
Salisbury	<i>What Children Teach Us About Responsibility</i> <b>Daphne Brandenburg</b> (University of Groningen) Chair: <b>Benjamin Yost</b> (Cornell University)

### 11.00-11.30am Tea / Coffee

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11.30am-12.40pm **Plenary Session 2 (1)**

Pentland East	<i>From Classrooms to Coffeeshops: Trust as a Micro-Climate</i> <b>Ishani Maitra</b> (University of Michigan) Chair: <b>Helen Frowe</b> (Stockholm University)
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12.50-1.30pm **Concurrent Sessions 7 (5)**

Pentland East	<i>Carspreading and Inequality: The Affective Dimensions of Unjust Spatial Encroachment</i> <b>Pilar Lopez-Cantero</b> (University of Antwerp), and <b>Daniel Guillery</b> (London School of Economics and Political Science) Chair: <b>Virginia De Biasio</b> (King's College London)
Prestonfield	<i>Moral Exploitation</i> <b>Saba Bazargan-Forward</b> (University of California, San Diego), and <b>Yuan Yuan</b> (University of California, San Diego) Chair: <b>Giulio Fornaroli</b> (Jagellonian University in Krakow)
Duddingston	<i>Overlooking and Negotiating Co-Parenting Relationships</i> <b>Johanna Rensing</b> (University of Basel) Chair: <b>Francesca Miccoli</b> (University of Basel)
Holyrood	<i>Agentic AI, Nudges, and the Limits of Outsourcing Autonomous Agency</i> <b>Viktor Ivanković</b> (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb), and <b>Stefano Calboli</b> (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa) Chair: <b>Daphne Brandenburg</b> (University of Groningen)
Salisbury	<i>Anti-girlism &amp; Adolescence</i> <b>Alyssa Izatt</b> (University of British Columbia) Chair: <b>Rebecca Brione</b> (King's College London)

1.30-2.30pm **Lunch**

Centro	<i>Conference delegates registered for lunch</i>
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2.30-3.10 **Concurrent Sessions 8 (5)**

Pentland East	<i>Of Green Frequent Flyers and Wealthy Socialists: A Defence of Apparent Hypocrisy</i> <b>Annalisa Costella</b> (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) Chair: <b>Anneli Jefferson</b> (University of Cardiff)
Prestonfield	<i>Parental Punishment and the Standard of Proof</i> <b>Benjamin Yost</b> (Cornell University) Chair: <b>Alison Toop</b> (University of Leeds)

Duddingston	<i>The Wrongs of Tourism: Defending the Place-Based Rights of Residents</i> <b>Virginia De Biasio</b> (King's College London) Chair: <b>Claire Hamlett</b> (University of Roehampton)
Holyrood	<i>The Right to Liveability</i> <b>Guy Aitchison</b> (Loughborough University) Chair: <b>Anthony Skelton</b> (University of Western Ontario)
Salisbury	<i>Ineffective, unnecessary, unjust: An argument against imprisoning lawbreakers</i> <b>Piero Moraro</b> (Edith Cowan University) Chair: <b>Katerina Jennings</b> (University of Oxford)

### 3.20-4.00pm Concurrent Sessions 9 (5)

Prestonfield	<i>AI in Higher Education: On the Ethics of Automated Grading</i> <b>Andrée-Anne Cormier</b> (École nationale d'administration publique, Université du Québec (Montréal)) Chair: <b>Anna Mikhaylovskaya</b> (University of Groningen, and University of Groningen)
Duddingston	<i>Liquid Democracy and the Problem of Inclusiveness</i> <b>Anna Mikhaylovskaya</b> (University of Groningen), and <b>Elise Roumeas</b> (University of Groningen) Chair: <b>Michele Giavazzi</b> (Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich)
Holyrood	<i>What are Moral Panics?</i> <b>Jonathan Dixon</b> (Wake Forest University) and <b>Elizabeth Hupfer</b> (High Point University) Chair: <b>Michael Cholbi</b> (University of Edinburgh)
Salisbury	<i>A New Argument Against Benign Carnivorism</i> <b>Leonardo Nanni</b> (Università degli Studi di Bergamo) Chair: <b>Massimo Renzo</b> (King's College London)

### 4.00-4.30pm Tea / Coffee

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### 4.30-5.10pm Concurrent Sessions 10 (5)


Pentland East	<i>The Mythical Everywoman and The Invisible Stripper: who gets hurt in anti-sex-work feminism</i> <b>Rosa Vince</b> (University of Leeds) Chair: <b>Esther Braun</b> (University of Oxford)
Prestonfield	<i>Animals as home-makers: a non-anthropocentric account of home and its ethical implications</i> <b>Claire Hamlett</b> (University of Roehampton) Chair: <b>Tania Hernández González</b> (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)

Duddingston	<i>The risk of being a white saviour</i> <b>Elettra Repetto</b> (University of Piemonte Orientale) Chair: <b>Guillaume Andrieux</b> (University of Glasgow)
Holyrood	<i>Torturous Defence</i> <b>Gerald Lang</b> (University of Leeds) Chair: <b>Reuven Brandt</b> (UC San Diego)
Salisbury	<i>Republicanism and Hidden Injustice: The Challenge from Adaptive Preferences</i> <b>Cara Addleman</b> (University of Oxford) Chair: <b>Daniel Guillery</b> (London School of Economics and Political Science)

#### 5.20-6.30pm **Plenary Session 3 (1)**

Pentland East	<i>When Norm Violations Come Out of the Shadows</i> <b>Jennifer Saul</b> (University of Waterloo) Chair: <b>Anneli Jefferson</b> (University of Cardiff)
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#### 6.30-7.15pm **Journal of Applied Philosophy Meet the Editor Session**

Pentland East	<i>All delegates welcome</i> 
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#### 7.15-7.45pm **Society for Applied Philosophy Annual General Meeting**

Pentland East	<i>All members of the Society for Applied Philosophy</i>
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#### 7.45-9.00pm **Dinner**

South Hall	<i>Conference delegates registered for dinner</i>
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**Sunday 05 July**

9.30-11.30am **Panel Sessions (4)**

Pentland East	<p><b><i>Africana Philosophy in the UK</i></b>            Chair: <b>Avery Kolers</b> (University of Tennessee)</p> <p><i>The Edinburgh School of Africana Philosophy: Against the Mode of Under-Specialization within the Discipline of Philosophy</i>  <b>Tommy Curry</b> (University of Edinburgh)</p> <p><i>Thinking Sexual Difference in West African Indigenous Contexts</i>  <b>Patrice Haynes</b> (University of Nottingham)</p> <p><i>Violence, Rhymes and Double Binds</i>  <b>Tareeq Jalloh</b> (University of Oxford)</p>
Prestonfield	<p><b><i>The Role of Context in Topics in Sexual Ethics</i></b>            Chair: <b>Tina Rulli</b> (UC Davis)</p> <p><i>Sexual Exclusion and a Framework of Sexual Justice</i>  <b>Ashley Lindsley-Kim</b> (University of British Columbia)</p> <p>“Sex Minus Consent” and the Harm of Rape  <b>Jonathan Ichikawa</b> (University of British Columbia)</p> <p><i>Moral Blinding, Marital Rape</i>  <b>Ritu Sharma</b> (University of British Columbia)</p>
Duddingston	<p><b><i>Well-Being</i></b>            Chair: <b>Michael Cholbi</b> (University of Edinburgh)</p> <p><i>Well-being and Life-Authorship</i>  <b>Massimo Renzo</b> (King’s College London)</p> <p><i>Nonfungible Goods</i>  <b>Connie S. Rosati</b> (University of Texas at Austin)</p> <p><i>Well-being and the Success of a Life</i>  <b>Steven Wall</b> (University of Arizona)</p>
Holyrood	<p><b><i>Philosophy of Journalism: What Role Should Journalism Play in Democracy</i></b>            Chair: <b>Pilar Lopez-Cantero</b> (University of Antwerp)</p> <p><i>Deliberative journalism defended against three criticisms</i>  <b>Rubén Marciel</b> (University of Geneva)</p> <p><i>Rethinking Journalistic Objectivity (Or Why Journalists Can Be Activists)</i>  <b>Vanessa Schipani</b> (University of Pennsylvania)</p> <p><i>The Responsible-Inquiry Model of Journalism</i>  <b>Viviane Fairbank</b> (University of St Andrews and Stirling)</p> <p><i>Narrative and Explanatory Journalism: Epistemic Functions and Democratic Value</i>  <b>Alexander Prescott-Couch</b> (University of Oxford)</p>

11.30am-12pm **Tea / Coffee**

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12.00.-1.10pm **Plenary Session 4 (1)**

Pentland East	<i>The Agentic and the Artificial</i> <b>Manuel Vargas</b> (UC San Diego) Chair: <b>Christopher Bennett</b> (University of Sheffield)
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1.10-2.10pm **Lunch**

Centro	<i>Conference delegates registered for lunch</i>
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2.10pm **Close**

	<i>Please ensure all outstanding business is concluded prior to departure</i>
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