

## **Antonio M. Nunziante**

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### **Employment**

2015 - Associate Professor in Theoretical Philosophy, University of Padova

#### *Previous Academic Position*

Assistant Professor in Theoretical Philosophy, University of Padova - 2005-2015

### **Primary Areas of Research**

My main areas of research involve epistemology and philosophy of nature. In the early stage of my career, I have worked on Leibniz and on early modern thought, investigating the concepts of “life”, “nature” and “organism”. I have also analyzed the relationships between Leibniz and Hegel (but also between Leibniz and Kant). Over the last 10 years, I have dealt with early American naturalism and with the early reception of Husserlian phenomenology in North America. I wrote a book on the pre-analytic season of American naturalism (2012) and edited a volume on the transformations of phenomenology in North America (2020). I have been also working on the philosophy of Wilfrid Sellars, focusing on his peculiar interpretation of Leibniz and of Modern Thought (2018), on his reflection about the topic of particulars (2021) and on the legacy of some Husserlian features in his philosophical strategy (2023).

I am currently writing a book on the topic of naturalism and civilization.

### **International Activities**

2024 – Staff Mobility for Teaching – University College Dublin, School of Philosophy: Teaching program: 8 hours (PhD Seminar: a. *The Relationship between Early American Naturalism and the very Concepts of Western Civilization*; b. *The Religious and Symbolic Dimension of Early American Naturalism*), 22-28 September.

2023 – International Co-Teaching Fellowship – Title: *Toward a New Scientific Self-Image: Wilfrid Sellars and the Manifest Image of the World*. Host: Dionysis Christias (Research Centre for Greek Philosophy, Academy of Athens): 6 hours, April 26-27-28. Theoretical Philosophy: Undergraduate.

## International Talks

2022 – *Naturalism and Civilization (1927-1947)* – Workshop “*Naturalism, Modernity, and Civilization*”, Università degli Studi di Padova, FISPPA Department, November 21-22.

2021 – *American Gods. Debunking the Symbolic Dimension of Naturalism* – Workshop “*Intentionality, Naturalism and Supernaturalism*”, Università degli Studi di Padova, FISPPA Department, October 4-5.

2019 - *Sellars and the Genesis of the Myth. The Topic of “Particulars” in the Analytic Tradition* - International Conference “*Demystifying the Given*”, China University of Political Science and Law, Department of Philosophy, Beijing, October 18-20.

2018 - *Sellars and the Phenomenological Root of the “Given”: Farber, Husserl and the Naturalization of Phenomenology* – UCD School of Philosophy, Dublin 19 April (*Visiting Speakers Series*).

2018 – *Sellars e la radice fenomenologica del dato: Farber, Husserl e la naturalizzazione della fenomenologia* – Pisa 20-21 dicembre – Convegno: *Sellars e la filosofia post-kantiana*.

2017 – *La fenomenologia negli Stati Uniti (1939-1962): l'utopia di una definizione*. Padova 26 June 2017 – Workshop: “*Tracing the Words of Philosophy. La filosofia statunitense e le sue parole: analisi qualitative e quantitative*”.

2016 - *The lingua franca of Nominalism. Sellars on Leibniz* - International Workshop *Sellars and the History of Philosophy*. - Padova University, June 23rd-24th.

2015 - *Philosophical Naturalism between Normativity and Metaphilosophy. A Chapter in the History of the Idea of 'Reason'* - International Talk - Hokkaido University, Sapporo - August 25th:

2015 - *The Concept of 'Organism' in Early-Modern Western Philosophy. Leibniz, the Cartesian Machines and the Aristotelian tradition* - International Workshop - Hokkaido University, Sapporo - August 21st.

2015 - *Naturalism and the Space of Reasons. Natural Sciences, Normativity and Metaphilosophical Models* (with A. Gaiani) - Second international Bio-Philosophical School Kassel/Padova, April 27th-30th:

2013 - *Kant, Leibniz and the Amphiboly: Introduction* - International Workshop - *Kant, Leibniz: Perceptions, Ideas, Categories* - Sodalitas Leibnitiana (Padova, 19 febbraio).

2011 - *Is it plausible to distinguish between "intraorganic" and "interorganic" relations within Leibniz's theory of organic matter?* - Internationaler Leibniz-Kongress - *Natur und Subjekt*, Hannover, September 26th-October 1<sup>st</sup>.

2011- *L'identità in G.W. Leibniz: un problema di organizzazione.* - Workshop – *Che cos'è identità o diversità? G.W. Leibniz, Nuovi saggi sull'intelletto umano* – Sodalitas Leibnitiana (Padova, July 8th):

2008 – *Continuity or Discontinuity? Some Remarks on Leibniz's Concepts of 'Substantia Vivens' and 'Organism'* - International Colloquium - *Corporeal Substance and Natural Machines in Leibniz* - Université de Paris-Sorbonne (March 20th-22nd).

2007- *The New Image of Nature: an Introduction* - International Workshop - *Between Mechanical and Teleological Explanations of Life - Towards a New Image of Nature* - European Society of Early Modern Philosophy (Essen, Germany, March 25th-30th).

2006 - *Monas Dominans like Monas actuatrix. A Case of Unity in Plurality.* - Internationaler Leibniz-Kongress - *Einheit in der Vielheit*, Hannover (July 24th- 29th).

## **Organization**

2022 – International Workshop: *Naturalism, Modernity, and Civilization* (Padova, November 21-22).

2021 – International Workshop and Two Roundtables (with A. Altobrando): *Intentionality, Naturalism and Supernaturalism* (Padova, October 4-7).

2016 - International Workshop (with L. Corti): *The lingua franca of Thought. Wilfrid Sellars and the History of Philosophy.* Padova University, June 23rd-24th.

2013 – International Workshop: *Kant, Leibniz: Perceptions, Ideas, Categories* - Sodalitas Leibnitiana (Padova, February 19th)

2011- Workshop – *Che cos'è identità o diversità? G.W. Leibniz, Nuovi saggi sull'intelletto umano* – Sodalitas Leibnitiana (Padova, July 8th)

2007- International Workshop - *Between Mechanical and Teleological Explanations of Life - Towards a New Image of Nature* - European Society of Early Modern Philosophy (Essen, Germany, March 25th-30th)

2006 – with M. Carrara, M. Soavi and L. Illetterati – International Workshop - *Teleology. Purposes and Functions in Artifacts and Biological Entities*, (Padova, November 30th-December 1st)

2001 – with A. Moretto - International Conference: *Scienza e conoscenza secondo Kant. Influssi, temi e prospettive* (Verona October 11th-13th)

2001 – with L. Illetterati and F. Menegoni - *Das Endliche und das Unendliche in Hegels Denken* – Hegel-Vereinigung (Padova and Montegrotto Terme - June)

2000 – with M. Carrara and G. Tomasi - International Workshop: *A partire da Leibniz - Problems from Leibniz* (Padova, October 9th-10th)

## Membership in Professional Societies

Member of Società di Studi Governamentali

Member of Associazione Culturale Pragma

Member of Società Italiana di Filosofia Teoretica

2009/2014 - Executive Committee Member Sodalitas Leibnitiana

2006 – Founder Member of the Sodalitas Leibnitiana (Ita)

2004/2007 – Vice-President of the European Society of Early Modern Philosophy

2004 – Founder Member of the European Society of Early Modern Philosophy

## Editorial Board Memberships, Consultantships/Refereeing

Scientific Board Member, *East Asian Journal of Philosophy*

Editorial Board Member, *Universa. Recensioni di Filosofia*

Editorial Consultant, *Pubblicazioni di Verifiche, Quaderni di Verifiche*

Referee for the following peer-refereed journals: *Metodo. International Studies in Phenomenology and Philosophy, Verifiche. Rivista di Scienze Umane*

## Grants

2017 – Grant Application - (PI) STARS grant University of Padova - *In Defense of Philosophy. Combining Hegelian Tools with Contemporary Metaphilosophical Debates for a Justification of the Rational Space of Philosophy.*

2014 - Progetto di ricerca di Ateneo: *Disaccordo: un approccio pluralista* (co-ordinator M. Carrara)

2010/2011- PRIN: *Realismo e oggettività* (co-ordinator P. Frascolla)

2010 - Progetto di ricerca di Ateneo: *La natura della natura e la natura dell'umano. Verso un naturalismo non riduzionista* (co-ordinator L. Illetterati)

2008 – Progetto Strategico di Ateneo *Logica, informazione, linguaggio* (co-ordinator M. Carrara)

2008 – PRIN: *L'individualità soggettiva fra naturalismo e antinaturalismo: a partire dalla filosofia classica tedesca* (co-ordinator S. Poggi)

- 2006 – PRIN: *Soggetto e Natura tra filosofia classica tedesca e pensiero contemporaneo* (co-ordinator S. Poggi)
- 2005 – Progetto di Ricerca di Ateneo *Artefatti ed enti di natura. Un'analisi storico-filosofica* (co-ordinator L. Illetterati)
- 2001 – PRIN: *La filosofia classica tedesca come punto di intersezione tra moderno e contemporaneo: problemi epistemologici, etici e religiosi* (co-ordinatore F. Chiereghin)
- 1999 – PRIN: *Modelli di razionalità fra filosofia classica tedesca e pensiero contemporaneo, con indicizzazione informatica di testi hegeliani* (co-ordinatore F. Chiereghin)

## **Public Outreach**

2023-24 - Responsabile organizzativo di *Incontri d'Autore* - Evento con cadenza mensile a cura della Biblioteca di Filosofia dell'Università di Padova.

2022-23 - Responsabile organizzativo di *Incontri d'Autore* - Evento con cadenza mensile a cura della Biblioteca di Filosofia dell'Università di Padova.

2022 - (PI) Progetto di Ateneo di Terza Missione (finanziato) - *Conservare e servire: il Sistema Bibliotecario di Ateneo per lo sviluppo delle competenze digitali*

2018 – (PI) Ongoing Grant – Ricerca Scientifica di Eccellenza, Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio Padova e Rovigo - *Territorial Culture and International Dialogue: Rediscovering Human Sciences in Veneto through Digital Open Access*

## **Services to Profession**

2021-2024 - Presidente delle Biblioteche del Polo Umanistico

2021-2024 - Membro del Comitato Tecnico Scientifico per il Centro di Ateneo per le Biblioteche

2016-2024 – Responsabile Scientifico della Biblioteca di Filosofia