

# CURRICULUM VITAE

Hilary Greaves

## Employment history

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- 2016– Professor of Philosophy, University of Oxford.  
2018–22 Founding Director of the Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford.  
2009–17 Tutorial Fellow in Philosophy, Somerville College, Oxford.  
2009–16 Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Oxford.  
2007–09 Junior Research Fellow in Philosophy, Merton College, Oxford.  
*Career breaks: I have taken 6 months of parental leave in each of 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, and roughly 4 months in each of 2020 and 2022.*

## Education

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- Ph.D., Philosophy, Rutgers University, 2003-2008.  
B.A., Physics and Philosophy, University of Oxford, 1998-2003. Degree class: I.

## Visiting appointments and lecture series

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- Wittgenstein lectures, University of Bayreuth, May 2023.  
Visiting Professor at Institute for Futures Studies, Stockholm, 2022-3.  
Nelson Visiting Professor at University of Michigan, January–February 2016.  
Visiting Fellow at Australian National University, July–September 2015.

## Selected awards and prizes

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- Leverhulme Research Fellowship, ‘Towards a theory of rational philanthropy.’ 2018–20.  
Leverhulme Trust Research Project grant, ‘Population ethics: Theory and practice’ (Principal Investigator), 2014–18.  
British Academy Rising Star Engagement Award, 2015–17.  
Teaching Excellence Award, University of Oxford, 2015.  
Oxford Martin School project grant, ‘Human rights for future generations’ (Co-Investigator), 2013–16.  
James T Cushing Memorial Prize, 2012.  
Henry Wilde prize in Philosophy, University of Oxford, 2003.

## Publications

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### Under review

- ‘On the desire to make a difference.’ With William MacAskill, Andreas Mogensen and Teruji Thomas. Draft published as GPI working paper 16-2022.  
‘Concepts of existential catastrophe’.

### Research articles in peer-reviewed journals

- ‘A bargaining-theoretic approach to moral uncertainty’. With Owen Cotton-Barratt. Forthcoming in *Journal of Moral Philosophy*. Draft published as GPI working paper 4-2019.
- ‘Climate change and optimum population’. *The Monist* 102(1):42-65, 1 January 2019.
- ‘Extended preferences and interpersonal comparisons of well-being’. With Harvey Lederman. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 96(3):636–67, May 2018.
- ‘Moral uncertainty about population ethics.’ With Toby Ord. *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy* 12(2), 2017.
- ‘Aggregating extended preferences’. With Harvey Lederman. *Philosophical Studies* 174:1163–90, May 2017.
- ‘A reconsideration of the Harsanyi–Sen–Weymark debate on utilitarianism’. *Utilitas* 29(2):175–213, June 2017.
- ‘Cluelessness’. *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society* CXIV, part 3, December 2016.
- ‘Antiprioritarianism’. *Utilitas* 27(1), March 2015, pp.1–42.
- ‘On the CPT theorem’. With Teruji Thomas. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science Part B: Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 45, February 2014, pp.46–65.
- ‘Empirical consequences of symmetries’. With David Wallace. *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 65(1), January 2014, pp.59–89.
- ‘Epistemic decision theory’. *Mind* 122(488), October 2013, pp.915–952.
- ‘In search of spacetime structuralism’. *Philosophical Perspectives* 25(1), December 2011, pp.189–204.
- ‘Towards a geometrical understanding of the CPT theorem’. *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 61(1), January 2010, pp.27–50.
- ‘Time reversal in classical electromagnetism’. With Frank Arntzenius. *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 60(3), September 2009, pp.557-584.
- ‘On the Everettian epistemic problem’. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 38(1), March 2007, pp.120-152.
- ‘Justifying conditionalization: Conditionalization maximizes expected epistemic utility’. With David Wallace. *Mind* 115(459), July 2006, pp.607–632.
- ‘Understanding Deutsch’s probability in a deterministic multiverse’. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics* 35(3), September 2004, pp.423-456.

### Survey articles

- ‘Population axiology’. *Philosophy Compass* 12(11), 2017.
- ‘Discounting for public policy: A survey’. *Economics and Philosophy* 33(3):391–439, November 2017.
- ‘Probability in the Everett interpretation’. *Philosophy Compass* 2(1), January 2007, pp.109-128.

### Chapters in edited collections

- ‘The case for strong longtermism’. With William MacAskill. To appear in Barrett, Greaves and Thorstad (eds.), *Essays in longtermism*, Oxford University Press. Draft published as GPI working paper 5-2021.
- ‘Minimal and expansive longtermism’. With Christian Tarsney. To appear in Barrett, Greaves and Thorstad (eds.), *Essays in longtermism*, Oxford University Press. Draft published as GPI working paper 3-2023.

- ‘Comparing existence and nonexistence.’ With John Cusbert. In McMahan, Campbell, Goodrich and Ramakrishnan (eds.), *Ethics and Existence: The Legacy of Derek Parfit*, OUP 2021.
- ‘Global consequentialism.’ In Portmore (ed.), *The Oxford handbook of consequentialism*, OUP 2021.
- ‘Optimum population size’. In Arrhenius, Bykvist and Campbell (eds.), *The Oxford handbook of population ethics*, OUP 2020.
- ‘Discounting future health’. In Norheim, Emanuel, Jamison, Johansson, Millum, Otterson, Ruger and Verguet (eds.), *Global Health Priority-Setting: Cost-Effectiveness and Beyond*, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- ‘Global consequentialism and the ethics of war’. In Kuosmanen, McDermott, Roser and Akande (eds.), *Human Rights & 21st Century Challenges*, Oxford University Press 2019.
- ‘Against “the badness of death”’. In Gamlund and Solberg (eds.), *Saving lives from the badness of death*, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- ‘The social disvalue of premature deaths’. In Reisner and Hirose (eds.), *Weighing and Reasoning: Themes from the Philosophy of John Broome*, pp.72-86. Oxford University Press, 2015.
- ‘Everett and Evidence’. With Wayne Myrvold. In Saunders, Barrett, Kent and Wallace (eds.), *Many Worlds? Everett, Quantum Theory, & Reality*, Oxford University Press, 2010.

### Collections edited

- Essays in longtermism*. With Jacob Barrett and David Thorstad. Under contract at Oxford University Press (estimated publication 2024).
- Effective altruism: Philosophical issues*. With Theron Pummer. Oxford University Press, 2019.

### Teaching

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**DPhil supervision:** 8 theses supervised to completion.

**Graduate classes:** Topics in ethics; Philosophical foundations of effective altruism; Population ethics; Evolutionary debunking arguments; Value theory; Political philosophy.

**Undergraduate lectures:** Moral Philosophy, Epistemology, Frege and Russell, Philosophy of Special Relativity, Philosophy of Science.

**Undergraduate tutorials:** Ethics, Metaphysics, Epistemology, Plato’s Republic, History of Philosophy from Descartes to Kant, Frege Russell & Wittgenstein, Introductory logic, Formal Logic, Intermediate Philosophy of Physics, Philosophy of Science, The Philosophy and Economics of the Environment.

### Workshops organised

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- Three workshops in the ‘Oxford Workshops on Global Priorities Research’ series, Global Priorities Institute, Oxford, 2019-20.
- ‘Economics of catastrophe’, Global Priorities Institute, Oxford, June 2019.
- ‘Causal inference and extrapolation’, University of Oxford, March 2018. (Co-organised with Eva Vivalt.)
- ‘Philosophical Foundations of Effective Altruism’, University of Oxford, November 2016. (Co-organised with Theron Pummer.)

‘Theoretical Population Ethics’, University of Oxford, November 2015. (Co-organised with John Cusbert.)

‘Population ethics: Theory and practice’, University of Oxford, November 2014.

### Professional service

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Associate editor for *Nous*, 2022 to present.

External assessor for professorial appointment, University of St Andrews, 2020–21.

Referee for British Academy Knowledge Exchange grants programme, 2020.

‘Opponent’ (i.e., roughly, external examiner) for PhD thesis, Stockholm University, 2020.

External examiner, London School of Economics, 2019.

Member of AHRC Peer Review College, 2015–18.

Served as a referee for *Philosophical Review*, *Mind*, *Noûs*, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Australian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, *Philosophers’ Imprint*, *Philosophy Compass*, *Ethics*, *Utilitas*, *Economics and Philosophy*, *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*, *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Synthese*, *Foundations of Physics*, *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*, *Philosophia*, *Review of Symbolic Logic*, and for the *Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*.

### Public engagement activities since 2015

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Two appearances on podcast series produced by 80,000 hours (2018, 2020).

Numerous popular talks delivered to public intellectual societies/ideas festivals, and to student and other audiences associated with the effective altruism movement.

Popular articles published in *Philosophers take on the world* (OUP 2015), *The philosophers’ magazine* (2016) and *Ethics and the contemporary world* (Routledge, 2019).