Paul Sagar: Academic Curriculum Vitae

Address: King’s College, Cambridge, CB2 1ST
Tel: 07540 248205 E-mail: prs49@cam.ac.uk Date of Birth: 16/10/1986
Nationality: British-French

Employment

King’s College London (from January 2018)
Lecturer in Political Theory, Department of Political Economy

King’s College, Cambridge (October 2014 – December 2017)
Junior Research Fellow in Politics and International Relations
Visiting Scholar at The University of California at Berkeley, 1st February – 30th April, 2016

Education

King’s College, University of Cambridge (October 2010 – June 2014)
Ph.D., Faculty of History
Thesis Supervisor: Dr István Hont Advisor: Professor John Robertson
Thesis title: ‘Moral Psychology, Sociability, and the Foundations of Politics in David Hume’s Science of Man’
External Examiner: Professor Jeremy Waldron Internal Examiner: Dr Duncan Kelly

University College London and Queen Mary College, University of London (2009 – 2010)
MA in Intellectual History and the History of Political Thought (Pass with Distinction)
Dissertation Supervisor: Professor Quentin Skinner

BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, Class I Honours
Fletcher Exhibitioner 2007-2008
Raymond Beazley Prize for an Essay in International Relations

Academic Publications

Monograph

Original Research Articles


*In preparation*

- ‘István Hont and Political Theory’ (slated for a special issue of the *European Journal of Political Theory*)

- ‘What is the Leviathan?’ (slated for a special issue of *Hobbes Studies*)

- ‘Bhishma’s Boon: Reflections on the Complexity of Immortality’ (under review)

- ‘Adam Smith and the Conspiracy of the Merchants’ (under review)

- *Adam Smith: Commerce and Corruption*

*Review Essays*


*Book Reviews*


**Academic Presentations**

- ‘Humean Scepticism about Global Justice’ to the Intergenerational Justice: Historical Perspectives conference at the University of Exeter, 2nd June 2016.

- ‘Smith and Rousseau, After Hume and Mandeville’, to the Political Thought and Intellectual History seminar, University of Cambridge, 19th October 2015, and UC Davis departmental seminar, 23rd March 2016.

- ‘Is the desire for immortality a desire not to die?’, to Death and the Afterlife: An interdisciplinary symposium of philosophy, social anthropology, and political theory, at the Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities, University of Cambridge, 22nd January 2016.

- ‘Legitimacy and Domination’ to the ‘Rethinking Responsibility’ ethics and anthropology workshop at Birkbeck University, June 14 2015, and to the ‘Realism and Moralism’ workshop at University College London, August 2015.


- ‘From Scepticism to Liberalism?’, to the British Realism and Political Thought Workshop at MANCEPT Workshops in Political Theory, September 6th 2012, and to the Cambridge Political Philosophy Workshop, November 16th 2012.

- Panel Commentator, Fifth Cambridge Graduate Conference in Political Thought and Intellectual History, March 20th 2012.


- ““Realistic Realism?” Three Considerations in Assessing “Realist” Political Philosophy’, to the York Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy, November 16th 2011.

- ““Everything in this World is Judg’d of by Comparison” – Mandeville and Hume on Pride and Sociability’, to the London Graduate Conference in Political Thought and Intellectual History, May 9th 2011.


**Academic Responsibilities**

- Full member of King’s College Council (executive body for the running of the college), 2017.

- Convenor of the Cambridge seminar for political thought (invited speaker series), Michaelmas Term 2016, with Dr. John Filling.

- Organiser of the conference Death and the Afterlife: An interdisciplinary symposium of philosophy, social anthropology, and political theory, held at the Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities, University of Cambridge, 22nd January 2016.

- Postdoc Representative to the Faculty of Politics and International Studies, 2014-15, 2015-16.

- Interviewer for King’s College undergraduate admissions selections, December 2015.

- Convenor of the Cambridge seminar for political thought (invited speaker series), Michaelmas Term 2015, 2016.

- Convenor of the Cambridge workshop in political theory, Michaelmas Term 2015, 2016.


- Co-Convenor of the Political Thought and Intellectual History Seminar 2, Faculty of History Research Seminar, 2012-2013, with Dr Dmitri Levitin and Dr Sam James.

- Co-organiser of Realism and Twentieth Century British Political Thought Workshop at MANCEPT Political Theory Workshops September 5th-7th 2012, with Dr Edward Hall (LSE) and James Hodgson (York).

- Member of the 2012 Cambridge Graduate Conference in Political Thought and Intellectual History organising committee.

- Research assistant to Dr István Hont and Dr Duncan Kelly, ‘A Cultural History of the History of Political Thought’, research programme financed by The Centre for Research in the Arts and Social Sciences and the Mellon Foundation, October-December 2011.

- Assistant to the weekly Cambridge Faculty of History research seminar in Political Thought and Intellectual History, 2010-211.

- Member of the 2011 Cambridge Graduate Conference in Political Thought and Intellectual History organising committee.

- Co-webmaster of Cambridge Graduate Studies in Political Thought and Intellectual History website. (Built and maintained on a voluntary basis with Sophie Smith, University of Cambridge), 2011-13: [http://ptih.net](http://ptih.net)

**Teaching**

**Lecturing**

- ‘John Stuart Mill’s *On Liberty* and *The Subjection of Women*’, for the Faculty of Philosophy (8 lectures: Michaelmas Term 2015, Lent Term 2016).

- ‘From Idealism to Realism’, for the Faculty of Philosophy (4 lectures: Michaelmas Term, 2016)

- ‘David Hume’s Political Thought’, for the Faculty of History (2 lectures: Michaelmas Term 2015).

**Small group supervising:**

- Undergraduate Supervisor: The Analysis of Modern Politics (HSPS Tripos Part I, Paper 1)

- Undergraduate Supervisor: The History of Political Thought c. 1700-1890 (History Tripos Part I, Paper 20 / Part II, Paper 4; HSPS Tripos Part II A, Pol.2 / Part II B, Pol.15)

- Undergraduate Supervisor: Ethics and World Politics (HSPS Tripos Part II A, Pol.3)
- Undergraduate Supervisor: Set Texts (Philosophy Tripos Part I)
- Undergraduate Supervisor: an examined long essay in philosophy, on the subject of Hume’s aesthetics (2016); and on the subject of Hutcheson’s early moral philosophy (2017)
- Graduate Supervisor: MPhil in Philosophy, examined essay on the topic of realism in recent political theory (2015)

Examining:
- Assessed essays for the MPhil in Political Thought and Intellectual History, 2015-16, 2016-17.

Languages
- French (fluent speaker)