Curriculum Vitae

Zhengxi Jin

Post-doctoral Researcher at College de France

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ACADEMIC INTERESTS

AOS: Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Philosophy of Mind

AOC: Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Psychiatry, Moral Psychology

EMPLOYMENT

Post-doctoral Researcher——College de France (2026--present)

ERC Project: “Mental Files: New Foundations” (PI: Francois Recanati)

Graduate Teaching Assistant——King’s College London (2021--2025)

Neuroscience and the Mind (24-25, 23-24)

Philosophy of Language (23-24)

Early Modern Philosophy (23-24)

Philosophy of Psychology (21-22)

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy

King’s College London (Oct 2022 – Nov 2025)

Supervisors: David Papineau, James Stazicker

Dissertation Title: *Biological Representations in a Mind-Independent World*

Examiners: Nicholas Shea, Michael Murez

MPhilStud in Philosophy

King’s College London (Oct 2020 – Sep 2022)

Dissertation Title: *Concepts as Learning Devices: A Referential and Externalist Theory of Concepts*

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy (First Class Honours)

Lingnan University (Hong Kong) (Sep 2016 – May 2020)

Final-year Thesis Title: *How Output-based Teleosemantics Survives Criticisms: A Perspective from Neural Selection*

PUBLICATIONS

Embedding mental files in the world. (2026). *Mind & Language*, 1–21. https://doi.org/10.1111/mila.70015

AWARDS&GRANTS

The Sorabji Graduate Bursary

King's College London (2024)

MPhilStud Prize for Best Student Performance

King's College London (2022)

Hong Kong Mediation and Arbitration Centre Charity Fund Scholarship

Lingnan University (2020)

Non-local Student Scholarships

Lingnan University (2016 - 2020)

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Lower Bound of Substance Concepts

In Search of Substance Templates

From Associations to Mental Files: A Functional Unification

Perceptual Reference and Complex Demonstratives

Concept Acquisition as Meta-learning

OCD as the Dysfunction of Belief Consumer

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Concepts as Interrogative Skills

the 12th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy (August 2026, Madrid, Spain)

Concepts as Interrogative Skills (Poster)

the 8th Philosophy of Language and Mind Network Conference (June 2026, Barcelona, Spain)

Rationality in Association: Exploiting the Environment's Latent Structure

Rational Animals Conference (June 2025, Stirling, UK)

Embedding Mental Files in the World

31st Conference of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (July 2024, Grenoble, France)

Embedding Mental Files in the World

London-Berkeley Graduate Conference (May 2024, London, UK)

Understanding Our Competence in Knowing

KCL-UNC Graduate Conference (May 2023, London, UK)