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**Research Interests**      **AOS:** Epistemology, Philosophy of Emotion (esp. reasons for belief and emotion)  
**AOC:** Philosophy of Language, Metaethics, Axiology

**Education**      **School of Philosophy, Zhejiang University**, Hangzhou, China (09/2021-)  
Ph.D. in Philosophy (expected 06/2026)  
Advised by Davide Fassio, Jie Gao  
**Department of Philosophy, University of Zurich**, Zurich, Switzerland (10/2023-10/2024)  
Visiting Student  
Advised by Anne Meylan  
**Department of Philosophy, Sun Yat-Sen University**, Guangzhou, China (09/2018-06/2021)  
M.A. in Philosophy  
Advised by Zhenzhong Zhou  
**School of Public Administration, Shandong Normal University**, Jinan, China (09/2014-06/2018)  
B.A. in Administration

**Articles**

1. He, X. (forthcoming). [When is Evidence No Longer Prior?](#). *Analytic Philosophy*.
2. He, X. (forthcoming). 认知规范、认知能力与角色义务 (Epistemic Norm, Epistemic Competence, and Role Obligation), 科学技术哲学研究.
3. He, X. (2025). [Fitting Love and Uniqueness](#). *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*.

**Work in Progress**

1. A paper against interactionist pragmatism
2. A paper on the epistemic condition(s) of love
3. A paper on epistemic blame and normativism of evidence
4. A dissertation in which I defend the robust pragmatism in the ethics of belief
5. A paper on epistemic consequentialism

**Talks**

When Ought One to Believe Against the Evidence?

- Normativity: Theoretical and Ethical Approaches HS23, Zurich (04/2024)
- Workshop: Beyond Epistemic Normativity, Hangzhou (11/2024)

When is Evidence No Longer Prior?

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- “Epistemology in China” Conference, Shanghai (09/2023)
  - 2023 Beijing International Graduate Conference in Analytic Philosophy, Beijing (01/2023)

Fitting Love and Uniqueness

- Salzburg Conference for Young Analytic Philosophy 2023, Salzburg (09/2023)
- 12th ZJU Contemporary Anglo-american Philosophy Workshop, Hangzhou (03/2023)
- 6th Beijing Analytical Philosophy Forum, Beijing (11/2022)

The Normativism of Belief and The Constitutive Error Argument

- 5th “Philosophy & Science” Young Scholar Workshop, Chengdu (04/2023)
- 5th ZJU Contemporary Anglo-american Philosophy Workshop, Hangzhou (03/2022)

## Comments

Comments on Dorothea Debus’s “On Memory, Testimony, And Our Ability To Learn From The Past”, *Interuniversitäres Kolloquium HS23*, Zurich (11/2023)

Comments on Yu Zhou’s “Value, Reasons and Fittingness: Problems of Fittingness First View”, 5<sup>th</sup> “*Philosophy & Science*” *Young Scholar Workshop*, Chengdu (04/2023)

Comments on Guowei Lai’s “Pragmatic Factors and Normative Reasons for Belief”, 2<sup>nd</sup> *ZJU Contemporary Anglo-american Philosophy Workshop*, Hangzhou (10/2021)

## Grants

China Scholarship Council Scholarship, CHF 25,200 (2023)

2nd Prize, ZJU Graduate Forum in Philosophy, CNY 1,200 (2023)

2nd Prize, ZJU Graduate Forum in Philosophy of Science, CNY 3,400 (2022)

1st Class Scholarship of Sun Yat-sen University, CNY 20,000 (2019)

## Teaching

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Philosophical Methodology, Zhejiang University (2025)

International Summer School “Logic of Norms”, Zhejiang University (2023)

International Master Class in Phenomenology, Zhejiang University (2022)

International Summer School in Philosophy, Zhejiang University (2022)

## Services

**Referee:** *Erkenntnis*, *Asian Journal of Philosophy*

**Zhejiang University**

Webmaster of Epistemology Group @ ZJU’s Official Website (2023-)

Webmaster of the Official International Website, School of Philosophy (2022-23)

Member of Epistemology Group @ ZJU (2021-)

**University of Zurich**

Member of ZEGRa (2023-)

## References

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