

# Curriculum vitae

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## Research interest

19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century philosophy, with a special emphasis on phenomenology, existential philosophy and environmental philosophy

## Work experience

- 2024–now     **Assistant professor** at the Department of Philosophy, Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic
- 2023–now     **Postdoctoral researcher** at the Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic

## Education

- 2017–2022     **Doctoral degree (philosophy)** at the Department of philosophy and religious studies, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic  
Dissertation thesis: *Existential Entrapment in the Works of Dostoevsky and Kierkegaard*
- 2015–2017     **Master's degree (philosophy)** at the Department of philosophy and religious studies, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic  
Master's thesis: *Levinas and Heidegger on anxiety*
- 2010–2014     **Bachelor's degree (philosophy)** at the Department of philosophy and religious studies, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic  
Bachelor's thesis: *Transcending egoism in utilitarianism*

## Monographs

- (i) Vaškovic, Petr. *In Search of the Authentic Life: Dostoevsky, Kierkegaard and the Problem of Existential Entrapment*. Berlin: De Gruyter, 2024.

## Articles (selection)

- (i) Vaškovic, Petr, and Vičanová, Gabriela. “Anxiety, Hope and Meaning in Times of Ecological Crisis: An Existential-Phenomenological Perspective on Environmental Emotions.” *Human Studies*, 2024, pp. 1-21.
- (ii) Vaškovic, P and Vičanová, Gabriela. “Environmentální úzkost a naděje optikou existenciální fenomenologie / Climate anxiety and hope through the lens of existential-phenomenology.” *Filosofický časopis*, pp. 431-450.
- (iii) Vaškovic, Petr. „Individualismus v tvorbě ruských emigrantů.” In: Jakub Marek (ed.). *Individualismus v československé filosofii 1918–1948 Fasety individualismu ve filosofii, umění, teologii a společenské reflexi meziválečného období*. Prague: Karolinum (accepted for publication).
- (iv) Vaškovic, Petr; Rozen, David; Vičanová, Gabriela. “The Philosophy of Environmental Emotions Grief, Hope, and Beyond.” In: Ondřej Beran, Laura Candioto, Niklas Forsberg, Antony Fredriksson, David Rozen (eds.). *The Philosophy of Environmental Emotions Grief, Hope, and Beyond*. Routledge, 2024, pp. 17-40.
- (v) Vaškovic, Petr. “A Philosopher’s Fairy Tale: Dostoevskij and Kierkegaard on Imaginary Worlds.” *Scando-Slavica*, vol. 70, issue 1, 2024, pp. 110-126.
- (vi) Vaškovic, P. “Philosophical perspectives on climate anxiety.” In: G. Pellegrino & M. Di Paola (eds.). *Handbook of the Philosophy of Climate Change*, Springer, 2023, pp. 1-22.
- (vii) Vaškovic, P. “O filosofickém eskapismu / On philosophical escapism” *Filosofický časopis*, vol. 71, issue 1, 2023, pp. 21-41.
- (viii) Vaškovic, P. “Kierkegaard’s existential sacrifice: a gendered perspective on the mood of reflective sorrow.” *Interdisciplinary Journal for Religion and Transformation in Contemporary Society*, vol. 8, issue 2, 2022, pp. 354-376.
- (ix) Vaškovic, P. “The tale of two seducers: existential entrapment in the works of Kierkegaard and Dostoevsky.” *Kierkegaard Studies*, vol. 26, issue 1, 2021, pp. 431-457.
- (x) Vaškovic, P. “A path to authenticity: Kierkegaard and Dostoevsky on existential transformation.” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, vol. 87, issue 1, 2020, pp. 81–108.

- (xi) Vaškovic, P. “Od hrůzy k etice: Lévinasův pojem il y a / Levinas’ notion of il y a.” *Filosofický časopis*. vol. 68, issue 6, 2020, pp. 819-838.
- (xii) Vaškovic, P. „Kierkegaardova (inter)subjektivita ve světle Lévinasovy kritiky / Kierkegaard’s (inter)subjectivity in the light of Levinas’ criticism.” In: J. Sirovátka & O. Sikora (eds.). *Lévinas v konfrontaci*. Prague: Oikoymenh, 2019, pp. 54-79.

### Teaching experience

- 2021/2022      Teaching a course on Contemporary philosophy at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Faculty of Arts, Charles University
- 2017/2018      Teaching a Seminar in Philosophical Text Interpretation at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Faculty of Arts, Charles University

### Organisation skills

- 2025              Member of the organising team of the international conference Nature Strikes Back Being Human on Technologized Earth
- 6/2024            Member of the organising team of the international Environmental Philosophy Summer School for graduate students. Keynote speakers including Mark Coeckelbergh, Vincent Blok and other scholars. Website: [www.enviro-phil-school.eu](http://www.enviro-phil-school.eu).

### Research visits

- Oct. 2024 –      Research stay at the University of Iceland  
Nov. 2024
- June 2024 –      Research stay at the Institut für Christliche Philosophie, Universität  
August 2024      Innsbruck
- July 2023 –      Research visit to the Bibliothèque Interuniversitaire de la Sorbonne, Paris  
August 2023

- June 2022 – Visiting fellow at the Hong Kierkegaard Library at St. Olaf College,  
July 2022 Minnesota USA, working with Gordon Marino
- Jan. 2021 – Research stay at the Department of philosophy at Universität Wien, under  
June 2021 the supervision of Michael Staudigl
- Oct. 2018 – Research stay at the School of Critical studies at the University of  
July 2019 Glasgow, under the supervision of George Pattison
- Sept. 2016 – Erasmus at the University of Latvia (Department of philosophy and ethics)  
Feb. 2017

### Conferences and workshops

- July 2024 *Climate anxiety as an existential phenomenon*, conference “Affective and Emotional Dimensions of Experience” held at the Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Braga
- February 2023 *Existential-philosophical perspective on climate emotions*, workshop “Thinking the nonhuman and the climate crisis“ held at the Interdisciplinary Research Lab for Bioethics, Czech Academy of Sciences
- October 2021 Moderation of a panel on existential philosophy at the international workshop “Doomed to Sacrifice?” at the Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna
- June 2021 *Slavic philosophy at the beginning of 20<sup>th</sup> century*, conference “Sto let Ruchu filosofického,” held at the Faculty of Humanities, Charles University in Prague
- March 2019 *Dostoevsky and Kierkegaard on Existential Transformation*, conference “Dostoevsky and Philosophy,” held at the University of Glasgow
- May 2018 *The early philosophy of Emmanuel Levinas*, workshop “Na cestě k druhému,” organized by the department of philosophy, University of Pardubice

## Invited lectures and presentations

December 2024	<i>What can philosophy tell us about climate anxiety?</i> , invited lecture, University of Iceland
June 2024	<i>Anxiety, Hope and Meaning in Times of Ecological Crisis</i> , invited lecture, Institut für Christliche Philosophie, Universität Innsbruck
November 2023	<i>What is ecophenomenology?</i> , invited lecture at the Palacký University Olomouc
July 2022	<i>Reception of Kierkegaard in the Czech lands in between 1948-1989</i> , invited lecture at the Hong Kierkegaard library, St. Olaf College, Minnesota
April 2019	<i>Dostoevsky on religious transformation</i> , invited lecture at the University of Glasgow, department of theology
April 2018	<i>Existentialist perspective on literature</i> , lecture organized by the student group <i>Libomudrovna</i> , Faculty of Arts, University of Hradec Králové
Dec. 2017	<i>The roots of existentialism: Dostoevsky and Kierkegaard</i> , lecture at the Charles University in Prague, department of philosophy, organized by the student group <i>Praxis</i>

## Other academic activities

2024 – now	Panel Member - Johannes Amos Comenius Grant Program of the Czech Ministry of Education
2022	Preparation of worksheets and methodological sheets for teaching environmental ethics in secondary schools (Didaktikon project)
2019–now	Reviewer for Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, <i>PLOS Climate</i> , <i>Filosofický Časopis</i> and <i>Reflexe</i>
2017–2019	Editor of a student philosophical journal at the Faculty of Arts, Charles University

## Research projects

- 2023–now Palacký University Junior Grant
- 2023–now Member of the “Odolné Ralsko” project, carried out at the Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences
- 2021–2022 Principal investigator of the project “On the Prerequisites of Philosophical Pessimism” funded by the Charles University Grant Agency
- 2020–2021 Principal investigator of the sub-project “Dostoevsky’s and Kierkegaard’s Concepts of Subjectivity”, within the KREAS research project (WP1.3: Continuity, Discontinuity, Tradition)
- 2018–2019 Principal investigator of the project “Dynamic Subjectivity in the Works of Dostoevsky and Kierkegaard” within the PROGRES research project (Q14: Rationality Crisis and Modern Thought)

## Stipends and grants

- Oct. 2021 Jan Hus Educational Foundation
- Dec. 2020 AKTION stipend
- July 2018 Anglo-Czech educational fund stipend

## Translations into Czech

- (i) Shestov, Lev. „What is philosophy?“ *Reflexe*, issue 63, 2023, pp. 75-79.
- (ii) Sigov, Konstantin. “Meridian Levinas – Celan” *Reflexe*, issue 62, 2022, pp. 135-145.

## Other philosophical articles (mostly non-peer-reviewed)

- (i) Vaškovic, Petr., “Cynical Hopelessness” / “O cynické beznaděži” *Ergot*, issue 2, 2023.

- (ii) Vaškovic, Petr. „The penultimate word of philosophy? Shestov and the question about the meaning of philosophy / (Před)poslední slovo filosofie? Lev Šestov a otázka po smyslu filosofie,“ *Reflexe*, issue 63, 2023, pp. 81-87.
- (iii) Vaškovic, Petr. „Xenofeminism: a radically different future / Xenofeminismus: radikálně jiná budoucnost,“ *Nomádva*, issue 24, February 2018, pp. 49-57.
- (iv) Vaškovic, Petr. „Protospirituality and animal consciousness,“ *Nomádva*, issue 21, June 2016, pp. 60-70.

### Language skills

Czech	-	native speaker
English	-	C2
French	-	B2
Russian	-	B2
German	-	B1
Danish	-	A2