

EDUCATION

- 2019 - **Post-Doctoral Fellowship**, FWO funded, Ghent University, began in October 2019.
 2013-18 **PhD**, Indology, at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München, Germany – **November 12th, 2018**.
 2011-13 **M.A.**, Sanskrit, Jawaharlal Nehru University (SCSS), Delhi, India – **December 27th, 2013**.
 2010-11 **Sanskrit Studies**, (11 months) at the Landour Language School, Mussoorie, India – no official degree emitted.
 2007-10 **M.A.**, Sciences of Religions, Laval University, Qc, Canada – **April 30th, 2011**.
 2002-05 **B.A.**, Ancient Studies, Laval University, Qc, Canada – **May 31st, 2005**.
 1999-02 **DEC**, Journalism, Art and Technologies of Media, Jonquière College, Qc, Canada – **August 26th, 2002**.
 1994-99 **DES**, High School Degree, Félix-Leclerc High School, Qc, Canada – **August 27th, 1999**.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- 2019 **POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP**, FWO funded, Ghent University.
GONDA FELLOWSHIP, of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences and the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS), to study at Leiden University for a period of 6 months (2000 euros per month), in 2019.
- 2018 **FIRST PRIZE: GRADUATE STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST AWARDS**, *Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy*, 50th Annual Conference, June 8-11th, 2018 – 1000 US\$.
GLOBAL CULTURES – CONNECTING WORLDS (GCCW), Promovierendenförderung Fak. 12, Travel Grant (17th World Sanskrit Conference, Vancouver) – 1650 euros.
- 2017 **GLOBAL CULTURES – CONNECTING WORLDS (GCCW)**, Promovierendenförderung Fak. 12, Travel Grant (Workshop on *Sāṃkhya-kārikā* with V.N. Jha, Bangalore) – 750 euros.
- 2016 **GLOBAL CULTURES – CONNECTING WORLDS (GCCW)**, Promovierendenförderung Fak. 12, Travel Grant (5 weeks Tibetan language studies at *Esukhia*, Dharamsala) – 1155 euros.
- 2015-18 **GRADUIERTENSCHULE DISTANT WORLDS: MUNICH GRADUATE SCHOOL FOR ANCIENT STUDIES**, Organisation of Coexistence, Doctoral Fellowship, (joined in November 2015).
- 2015 **GLOBAL CULTURES – CONNECTING WORLDS (GCCW)**, Promovierendenförderung Fak. 12, Travel Grant (Workshop on *Nyāya* with V.N. Jha, Bangalore). – 1378 euros.
- 2013 **DAAD-STIBET FELLOWSHIP**, Doctoral program for international PhD students, Welcome Grant – 1440 euros.
- 2012 **INDIA STUDIES FELLOWSHIPS FROM SHASTRI INSTITUTE**, to study Sanskrit at JNU, Delhi, for the academic year 2012-13 - INR 27,000/month + affiliation costs and Flight Tickets.
- 2011 **GREAT CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST**, to support academic development in Canada – 1000 CAN\$.
HONORARY DISTINCTION FROM THE HIGHER STUDIES FACULTY OF LAVAL UNIVERSITY for excellence in the MA Thesis; coupled with a 150 CAN\$ Prize from the Quebec Seminar (SME) for the year 2010-2011.
- 2010-11 **STUDENT LANGUAGE TRAINING FELLOWSHIP FROM SHASTRI INSTITUTE**, to study Sanskrit in India (at the Landour Language School) for a period of 12 months, from March 2010 to March 2011 - INR 27,000/month + affiliation costs and Flight Tickets.
- 2001 **FINALIST CERTIFICATE IN A PROVINCIAL PHILOSOPHICAL CONTEST** “Concours Philosophe”, April.
- 1999 **HONORARY CERTIFICATE FOR EXCELLENCE IN STATE EXAMINATION IN HISTORY**, Saint-Jean Baptiste Society, Montréal, May.

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS (B1)

- 2020. *Dialogue and Doxography in Indian Philosophy: Points of View in Buddhist, Jaina, and Advaita Vedānta Traditions*, South Asian Traditions, Religion, Philosophy, Literature and History Series, Routledge, London & New York.

JOURNALS

(A2)

- 2017. 'Hermeneutic Praxis: The Yoga of Reason(ing)', *Studia Religiologica*, 50, no 2: 103-15.
- 2017. 'Battle for Middle Way, Bhāviveka's Dialectical Strategy in Context', *Distant Worlds Journal*, 3: 67-79.

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- 2015. 'Taking the Enemy as Medicine: Dialectic and Therapy in the Work of Two Early Indian Doxographers', *Religious Inquiries*, 4, no 7: 51-64.

BOOK CHAPTERS (B2)

2019. 'Reconsidering the Sarva-Siddhānta-Saṅgraha: Authorship, Doxography and Pedagogy.' in Heleene De Jonckheere, Marie-Hélène Gorisse; and Agnieszka Rostalska (eds.), *Puṣpikā V: Tracing Ancient India, through Texts and Traditions: Contributions to Current Research in Indology* (Oxbow Books: Oxford), p. 155-185.

BOOK REVIEWS (A2)

2019. Jessica Frazier, *Hindu Worldviews, Theories of Self, Ritual and Reality*. London, New York: Bloomsbury, 2017. 240 pages, in *International Journal of Hindu Studies*, 23: 86-87.

SECONDARY PUBLICATIONS (C4)

BOOKS (NON-ACADEMIC PUBLISHERS)

- *Le yoga de la raison, Initiation à la pensée de l'Inde*, Paris, L'Harmattan, 2017.
- (M.A. Thesis) *Relire T. Lobsang Rampa, Analyse D'un Mythe Moderne*. Saarbrücken: Éditions Universitaires Européennes, 2016.

ACADEMIC WEBSITES

Centre De Ressources et d'Observation de l'Innovation Religieuse (CROIR) – Peer-Reviewed:

- « S'initier soi-même : le cas de Lobsang Rampa », in *Centre de ressources et d'observation de l'innovation religieuse (CROIR) de l'Université Laval*, at : <https://croir.ulaval.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Bouthillette-Rampa.pdf>, last visited on the 20th of Novembre 2018.

La montagne des dieux :

- « Compte rendu de la bande dessinée « Comment je ne suis pas devenu moine » de Jean-Sébastien Bérubé », <http://montagnedesdieux.com/comment-je-ne-suis-pas-devenu-moine/>, posted on e 16 mai 2017.
- « Le royaume interdit du Mustang », in <http://montagnedesdieux.com/le-mustang>, posted on Oct. 24th, 2016
- « Le yoga: deux voies deux mesures », in <http://montagnedesdieux.com/le-yoga-deux-voies-deux-mesures/>, posted on Jan. 29th, 2105
- « En silence chez les Chinois », in *La Montagne des Dieux*, at <http://montagnedesdieux.com/en-silence-chez-les-chinois/>, posted on August 18th 2014.

CURRENTLY BEING EDITED FOR PUBLICATION (ACADEMIC)

BOOK CHAPTERS (B2)

- (B2) 'The Dialogical and Therapeutic Paradigms in Indian Philosophy', in *The Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Indian Philosophical Theories of Religion*, Pankaj Jain (ed.), (expected in 2021).
- (B2) 'Bhāviveka', in *Routledge Handbook of Indian Philosophy*, (expected in 2020).
- (B2) 'Reading Haribhadra's Doxography as a Jaina Spiritual Exercise', in *Nagabharana : Recent Trends in Jainism -- Felicitation Volume to Professor. Hampa. Nagarajaiah (Hampana)*, P. Chenna Reddy (ed.), (expected in 2020).
- (B2) '(Trans)Formative Aesthetics in Taxonomic Practices', in *Aesthetic Literacy: a book for everyone*, Valery Vinogradovs (ed.), (expected in 2020).

ARTISTIC CONTRIBUTIONS (NON-ACADEMIC) (C4)

‘Unraveling the List’, in *Sine Grey*, Vol. 2, Martin Lorenz and Silva Reichwein (eds.), Zimmermannhaus Brugg, Brugg, (release in September 2020).

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

Since 2014: Core Instructor and Academic Adviser at *Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program* (HBMLP), Woodenfish Foundation (Founded by Venerable Yifa, Ph.D. Yale 1996), teaching Indian Buddhism every July to international students (60 to 100 per year) in various monasteries in mainland China. My courses include: New Age thinking and Buddhism; Foundational Doctrines of Buddhism; Mahāyāna Buddhism; Madhyamaka Buddhism; Reason, Logic and Debates in Buddhism. See: <http://www.woodenfish.org/staff>.

- 2018 **Lecturer**, *Indian Buddhism*, Woodenfish, *Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program*, Zhaoming Temple, in Fuding, Fujian province, China, July.
- 2016-17 **Lecturer**, *Notions of Self in Indian Philosophy*, 12232, Winter Semester, LMU, Munich.
Lecturer, *Indian Buddhism*, Woodenfish, *Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program*, Jin'e Temple, Ningbo, China, July.
- 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *Summer Seminar on the Yoga Sutras of Patañjali*, 12682, with invited Profs V. N. Jha and Ujjwala Jha (from Pune, India), Summer Semester 2016, LMU, Munich.
Conference Convener, *Seven Shades of Yoga*, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Open Conference, July 23rd, 2016, Munich.
Lecturer, *Indian Buddhism*, Woodenfish, *Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program*, Taiyuan and Mt. Wutai, Shanxi Province, China, July.
- 2015 **Research Assistant**, for Prof. Dr. Robert Zydenbos, Feb 1st 2015 till March 31st 2015, LMU, Munich
Lecturer, *Indian Logic and Epistemology*, 12270, Winter Semester, LMU, Munich.
Lecturer, *Indian Buddhism*, Woodenfish, *Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program*, Longfu and Doushuai Temples (Beijing) and Pushou Temple (Mt. Wutai), China, July.
- 2014 **Research Assistant**, for Prof. Dr. Jens-Uwe Hartmann, May 1st 2014 till Jan 31st 2015, LMU, Munich.
Lecturer, *Indian Metaphysics*, 12287, Summer Semester, LMU, Munich.
Lecturer, *Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, 12299, Winter Semester, LMU, Munich.
Lecturer and Program Coordinator, *Indian Buddhism*, Woodenfish, HBMLP, Guanyin (Beijing) and Badao Temples (Mt. Wutai), China, July.
- 2007-8 **Research Assistant**, for Prof. Dr. André Couture, Laval University.
- 2004 **Research Assistant**, for Prof. Dr. André Couture, Laval university.
- 2003 **Organisational Secretary**, *Le Québec à l'heure du bouddhisme*, Colloquium, Laval University.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2017 **Workshop on Philosophy of Sāṃkhya (Sāṃkhya Kārikā with Tattva Kaumudī)**, Professors V. N. Jha and Ujjwala Jha, at Taralabalu Kendra (center), Bangalore, May 31st – June 12, 2017.
Summer Seminar, Institute of Philosophical Practices, Burgundy, France, August.
- 2016 **Winter Seminar**, Institute of Philosophical Practices, Argenteuil, France, August.
Tibetan language studies (colloquial) at Esukhia, Dharamsala (India), for 5 weeks (August-September), learning the basics.
- 2015-18 **Translator**, Institute of Philosophical Practices, from French to English, Books: *The practice of Philosophy with Children*, *Apology of Metaphysics*, *The Art of Philosophical Practice*, *Learning to Philosophize with Russian Folk Tales*.
- 2015 **Summer Seminar**, Institute of Philosophical Practices, Burgundy, France, August.
Winter Seminar, Institute of Philosophical Practices, Argenteuil, France, August.
Workshop on Indian Logic and Epistemology Foundation Level (Tarkasamgraha), Prof. V. N. Jha, Karnataka Samskrit University, Bangalore April 2015.
- 2014 **Intensive Course on Indian Grammar and Poetics** at the University of Hamburg, September.
- 2013 **Humanistic Buddhist Monastic Life Program 2013, Woodenfish Project**, month long fellowship, Sheng Shou Temple, Wenzhou (Zhejiang province), China.
A Course in Pūrva-Mīmāṃsā, i.e. Indian Hermeneutics, (Level-I), Professors V. N. Jha and Ujjwala Jha, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 10 days, March Delhi.

- A National Workshop on Manuscriptology and Preservation of Manuscripts**, Special Center for Sanskrit Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, License Level I March, Delhi.
- 2012 **Chairperson** for the “Veda and Science Panel”, at the *2nd World Veda Conference*, Ujjain, 6th November.
Chairperson for a “Mixed Panel”, at the *International Conference on Yoga and Psychotherapy*, JNU, Delhi, 27th September.
- 2011 **Buddhological Studies**, *The Adornment of the Middle Way, Uma Gyen, of Śāntarakṣita*, Rigpe Dorje Institute, Pullahari monastery, Kathmandu, Nepal, January 7th to March 20th.
- 2005-07 **Buddhological Studies and Monastic Formation**, over a period of 17 months, including two study intensive Shedras of three months, at Gampo Abbey, Nova-Scotia.
- 2002 **Buddhological Studies**, over a period of four months, at Kopan monastery, Nepal, May to August.

CONFERENCES

- “**Nerds of Yoga. The Path of Knowledge through Philosophical Doxography**”, SOAS Centre of Yoga Studies, May 27th, London, 2020.
- “**Indian Doxographical List-Making: A Philosophical Canon-Ball**”, OZSW, Amsterdam, 15th-16th November, 2019.
- “**Indian Doxography and the Practice of Philosophy**”, sponsored by the Leiden University Centre for Intercultural Philosophy, Leiden University, 27th May, Leiden, 2019.
- “**The Point of Views: The Use of Systematic Philosophical Doxography in Medieval India**”, 7th International Conference: Comparative Philosophy of Religion, January 29th-30th, Kharazmi University, Teheran, 2019.
- “**A Church by Daylight**”: **Reviewing the Position of Yoga in Early Indian Doxography**”, *17th World Sanskrit Conference*, Vancouver, July 9-13th, 2018.
- “**Syāt Lux: The Rhetoric of Silence in Haribhadra’s *Ṣaḍ-darśana-samuccaya***”, at *Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy 50th Annual Conference*, June 8-11th, 2018.
- “**Compiling views on the *Sarvasiddhāntasaṅgraha*. Who said what?**”, at *9th International Indology Graduate Research Symposium (IIGRS)*, Ghent University, 22nd and 23th of September 2017.
- “**Dialogism in Bhāviveka’s *Madhyamakahrdayam*: A Therapeutic Dialectical Encounter**”, at *European Association for the Study of Religion (EASR)*, Annual Conference, 2017, "Arguing Religion", Leuven, 18-21st September 2017.
- “**Battle for Middle Way: Bhāviveka’s Dialectical Strategy in Context**”, at *Evolving through Context: The Transformation of Buddhism(s) and their Legitimation(s)*, LMU, Munich, March 24-25, 2017.
- “**Hermeneutic Praxis: The Yoga of Reason(ing)**”, at *Yoga darśana, yoga sādhana: traditions, transmissions, transformations*, Krakow, May 19-21st, 2016.
- “**Bhāviveka’s Madhyamaka: The Dialectical Path to Freedom**”, at *The Department of Culture Studies and Oriental Languages Faculty of Humanities*, Oslo (UIO), November 17th, 2015.
- “**Taking the Enemy as Medicine: Dialectic and Therapy in the Work of Two Early Indian Doxographers**”, at *The Third International Conference on Contemporary Philosophy of Religion With Focus on Religion, Ethics and Culture*, January, 7-8th, 2015, Tehran, Iran.
- “**Legislating Morals, Liberal Gleanings from Ancient India**”, at *International Conference on Ancient Indian Economic Thought*, (Sanskrit Arthasastra: Sanatan Sandarbh), Jointly Organized by Dept. of Sanskrit, M L S University, and Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy, Udaipur, February 15-16th, 2013.
- “**Toward a Concise and Practical Definition of Knowledge (*jñāna*) in Indian Philosophy**”, at *2nd World Veda Conference*, Organised by Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Vedvidya Pratishthan, November 4-7th, 2012.
- “**Sanskrit Studies in Canada in Need of Modernisation**”, at *International Sanskrit Research Conference*, Haridwar, India, September 9-11th, 2011.
- “**The axis of evil is us: An unnoticed critic of the modern world behind Lobsang Rampa’s Tibet**”, at *15th Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference*, Concordia University, Montreal, February 11th, 2010.
- “**Taking Lobsang Rampa for what he is, a Western Esoterist under a Tibetan cover**”, at the *Canadian Society for the Study of Religion Annual Conference*, Carleton University, Ottawa, Mai 29th, 2009.
- “**L’œuvre de Rampa, un mythe moderne**”, at *Colloque étudiant : Religions, croyances et appartenances. Expérience de Dieu et choix humains*, Université Laval, Québec, April 2008.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Familial: French

Fluent: French and English

Intermediary: German

Scientific: Sanskrit

Other Studied: Spanish, Arabic, Latin, Greek, Hindi, Tibetan



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