# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## XUANSONG LIU

Department of Philosophy and Moral Sciences, Ghent University

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## AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

- Transcendental Philosophy (esp. Kant and Schelling)
- German *Naturphilosophie* (esp. early Schelling)
- · Continental Philosophy of Biology

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

- German Idealism and Romanticism
- History and Philosophy of Biology

#### **EDUCATION**

## Ph.D, Philosophy

Feb. 2021 - Jun. 2024 (expected)

Department of Philosophy and Moral Sciences, Ghent University, Belgium

Dissertation: The Conception of Life and Organism: Kant, Schelling, and Their Relevances for

Darwin

Committee: Gertrudis Van de Vijver (supervisor), Boris Demarest, Charles T. Wolfe

## **Unfinished Doctoral Programme, Philosophy**

Sep. 2019 - Apr. 2020

School of Philosophy, Religion, and History of Science, University of Leeds, UK

Proposed Research: Darwin and German Romantic Philosophy and Science

Supervisor: Gregory Radick

#### MPhil, Philosophy of Science

Sep. 2016 - Jul. 2019

Department of the History of Science, Tsinghua University, Beijing Supervised by Jian Yang (杨舰), Wei Wang (王巍), Yi Lei (雷毅)

#### **B.Eng.**, Vehicle Engineering

Sep. 2012 - Jul. 2016

Department of Automotive Engineering, Tsinghua University, Beijing

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Liu, Xuansong. (2022). Humboldt, Darwin, and Romantic Resonance in Science. Studies in History and Philosophy of Science, 92, 196-208. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.shpsa.2022.01.020">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.shpsa.2022.01.020</a>
- Liu, Xuansong. (2018). An Exposition of Intellectual Concerns of Victorian Natural History in Britain. *The Chinese Journal for the History of Science and Technology* (Chinese Journal), 39(3), 310-319.

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

- Liu, Xuansong. "The Unsettling Power of Judgment: The Contingency of Discursivity and the Generation of the Teleological Antinomy" (submitted to *Kant-Studien*, under review).
- Liu, Xuansong. "Defining Biological Interiority: the Concept and Dialectic of Living Organisation in Kant and Schelling" (manuscript).

## **TEACHING**

## **Teaching Assistance at Ghent University**

- Fall 2023 Capita Selecta in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy: Analysis of Texts (Instructor: Prof. Gertrudis Van de Vijver and Ph.D researcher Levi Haeck)
- Spring 2023 Philosophical Issues in the Life Sciences (Instructor: Prof. Gertrudis Van de Vijver)
- Fall 2022 Capita Selecta in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy: Analysis of Texts (Instructor: Prof. Gertrudis Van de Vijver and Ph.D researcher Levi Haeck)

## **Teaching Assistance at Tsinghua University**

- Fall 2018 Introduction to History of Science and Technology (Instructor: Prof. Yang Jian)
- Sep. 2018 The 5th Tsinghua Seminar on History and Philosophy of Biology: The Philosophy of Biological Information (Lecturer: Prof. Paul Griffiths, University of Sydney)

 Aug. 2017 The 4th Tsinghua Seminar on History and Philosophy of Biology: Aristotle's Philosophy and Aristotle's Biology (Lecturer: Prof. James G. Lennox, University of Pittsburg)

## **Guest Lectures at Ghent University**

- Dec. 2023. "The Antinomy of Pure Reason" (for the course "Capita Selecta in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy: Analysis of Texts")
- Mar. 2023 "Darwin's Science and Kant's and Schelling's Philosophy of Biology" (for the course "Philosophical Issues in the Life Sciences")
- Dec. 2022 "Schelling's Resolution to Kant's Paralogisms" (for the course "Capita Selecta in Modern and Contemporary Philosophy: Analysis of Texts")

# **Guest Lectures at Tsinghua University**

- Oct. 2018 "The Science of Describing" (for the course "Colloquium in History of Science and Technology")
- May. 2017 "Heidegger's Questions Concerning Technology" (for the course "Philosophy of Technology")

## **INVITED TALKS**

- May 2022 "Humboldt, Darwin, and Romantic Sciences"
   (Centre of History and Philosophy of Science, Capital Normal University)
- May 2019 "Romanticism in Humboldt's Science"
   (Department of History of Science, Tsinghua University)

#### ACADEMIC ACTIVITY

• 01-08 Aug. 2024 (forthcoming)

XXV World Congress of Philosophy (Presentation), Rome, Italy

23-25 May 2024 (forthcoming)
 Controversial Schelling: the Eighth Meeting of the North American Schelling Society (Presentation), Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA USA

12-14 Sep. 2023
 Graduate Workshop on the Intertwinement of Logic and Life (Organisation)

## SELECTED AWARDS AND HONOURS

• CSC Scholarship	2021-2024
Scholarship for Outstanding Reader, Tsinghua University	2015-2016
• Excellent Award for Social Practice, Tsinghua University	2014-2015
• Third Class Scholarship for Outstanding Learning, Tsinghua University	2014-2015
• First Class Scholarship for Outstanding Learning, Tsinghua University	2012-2013

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Mandarin (native)
- English (fluent)
- German (proficient at academic reading)

## **REFERENCES**

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