Society for Applied Philosophy
Annual Conference 2026
University of Edinburgh, JMCC, 03 – 05 July

Friday 03 July

10.00am-11.45am **SAP Executive Committee Meeting**

Boardroom 1 & 2 (JMCC Foyer)	*SAP EC members only*

12.00-1.30pm **JoAP Editorial Board Meeting**

Boardroom 1 & 2 (JMCC Foyer)	*JoAP EB members only*

1.00-2.30pm **Registration (and Lunch)**

JMCC Foyer	*All conference delegates* *Registration will be on 1st floor, Foyer area*
JMCC Restaurant	*Lunch will be on the Ground Floor (in JMCC Restaurant)*

2.30-3.10pm **Concurrent Sessions 1** (5)

Pentland East	*Collective Harm and Individual Wrongful Acts* **Andrea Asker** (Stockholm University) Chair: **Ashley Lindsley-Kim** (University of British Columbia)
Prestonfield	*What's 'basic' about basic needs?* **Ben Davies** (University of Sheffield) Chair: **Andrée-Anne Cormier** (École nationale d'adminitration publique, Université du Québec (Montréal))
Duddingston	*Defusing Ticking Bombs through Imposition of Pleasure: On the Nature of the Special Wrongness of Interrogational Torture* **Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen** (Aarhus University), and **James Christensen** (Essex University) Chair: **Lars Christie** (Inland University Norway)
Holyrood	*The Three Different Types of Fairness in Sport & Their Bearing on Transgender Inclusion* **Katerina Jennings** (University of Oxford) Chair: **Rosa Vince** (University of Leeds)
Salisbury	*Manipulation, and Mental Integrity* **Sean Aas** (Georgetown University) Chair: **Massimo Renzo** (King's College London)

3.20-4.00pm **Concurrent Sessions 2** (5)

Pentland East	*Loving Control: The Permissibility of Peer Paternalism* **Angela Mendelovici** (University of Western Ontario), and **Anthony Skelton** (University of Western Ontario) Chair: **Ben Sachs-Cobbe** (University of St. Andrews)
Prestonfield	*Ghost Work: Conceptual and Normative Concerns* **Denise Celentano** (University of Montreal) Chair: **Viktor Ivanković** (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)
Duddingston	*Enough is Enough in Parenting* **Reuven Brandt** (UC San Diego) Chair: **Ben Davies** (University of Sheffield)
Holyrood	*Why healthcare providers should not offer assisted dying to patients* **Esther Braun** (University of Oxford) Chair: **Andrea Asker** (Stockholm University)
Salisbury	*Privilege, Structural Wrongs, and Interpersonal Duties* **Giulio Fornaroli** (Jagellonian University in Krakow) Chair: **Dong An** (Zhejiang University)

4.00-4.30pm **Tea / Coffee**

Centro	All conference delegates

4.30-5.10pm **Concurrent Sessions 3** (5)

Pentland East	*Moral Bitterness Reconsidered* **Dong An** (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb) Chair: **Viktor Ivanković** (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)
Prestonfield	*Accountability Proportionality* **Gunnar Björnsson** (Stockholm University) Chair: **Saba Bazargan-Forward** (University of California, San Diego)
Duddingston	*Freedom of Information Choice* **Shira Ahissar** (LSE) Chair: **Alex Voorhoeve** (LSE)
Salisbury	*Human Dignity and Meaning in Life* **Roland Kipke** (Bielefeld University) Chair: **Cara Addleman** (University of Oxford)

5.20-6.00pm **Concurrent Sessions 4** (5)

Pentland East	*Entangled Answerability: Taking Responsibility in the Absence of Fault* **Fabio Tollon** (University of Edinburgh) Chair: **Ben Sachs-Cobbe** (University of St. Andrews)
Prestonfield	*Reasons, requests and requests for permission* **Rebecca Brione** (King's College London) Chair: **Piero Moraro** (Edith Cowan University)
Duddingston	*Injustice and equal chances in humanitarian aid.* **Lars Christie** (Inland University Norway) Chair: **Kieran Oberman** (LSE)
Holyrood	*Gender, Biology, and the Allocation of Parental Obligations* **Francesca Miccoli** (University of Basel) Chair: **Johanna Rensing** (University of Basel)
Salisbury	*Against Enabling Reasons for Belief* **Guillaume Andrieux** (University of Glasgow) Chair: **Leonardo Nanni** (Università degli Studi di Bergamo)

6.10-7.20pm **Plenary Session 1** (1)

Pentland East	*The New Extremism* **Quassim Cassam** (University of Warwick) Chair: **Massimo Renzo** (King's College London)

7.20-8.00pm **Wine Reception**

Kirkland	*All conference delegates* *Wine reception sponsored by*

8.00-9.30pm **Dinner**

South Hall	*Conference delegates registered for dinner only*

Saturday 04 July

9.30-10.10am **Concurrent Sessions 5** (5)

Pentland East	*Unbounded Desire, Ordinary Pain, and the Ethics of Limits under Contemporary Capitalism* **Tania Hernández González** (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid) Chair: **Karamvir Chadha** (University of Durham)
Prestonfield	*Military Conscription and the Duty to Rescue* **Helen Frowe** (Stockholm University) Chair: **Gunnar Björnsson** (Stockholm University)
Holyrood	*Gender, Causal Inference, and the Rubin Causal Model: Mechanisms, Analogy, and Warrant* **Liyuan Jiao** (Durham University) Chair: **Alyssa Izatt** (University of British Columbia)
Salisbury	*Grief and Voluntary Assisted Dying* **Michael Cholbi** (University of Edinburgh) Chair: **Avery Kolers** (University of Tennessee)

10.20-11.00am **Concurrent Sessions 6** (5)

Pentland East	*Do we have a collective obligation to care for a fetus?* **Alison Toop** (University of Leeds) Chair: **Roland Kipke** (Bielefeld University)
Prestonfield	*Limited Aggregation: A New, Sufficientarian-Egalitarian Approach* **Alex Voorhoeve** (LSE), and **Norihito Sakamoto** (Tokyo University of Science) Chair: **Christopher Bennett** (University of Sheffield)
Duddingston	*Nature vs Murder* **Kieran Oberman** (LSE) Chair: **Tina Rulli** (UC Davis)
Holyrood	*Making Excuses for Political Incompetence* **Michele Giavazzi** (Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich) Chair: **Valeria Ottonelli** (University of Genoa)
Salisbury	*What Children Teach Us About Responsibility* **Daphne Brandenburg** (University of Groningen) Chair: **Benjamin Yost** (Cornell University)

11.00-11.30am **Tea / Coffee**

Centro	*All conference delegates*

11.30am-12.40pm **Plenary Session 2** (1)

Pentland East	*From Classrooms to Coffeeshops: Trust as a Micro-Climate* **Ishani Maitra** (University of Michigan) Chair: **Helen Frowe** (Stockholm University)

12.50-1.30pm **Concurrent Sessions 7** (5)

Pentland East	*Carspreading and Inequality: The Affective Dimensions of Unjust Spatial Encroachment* **Pilar Lopez-Cantero** (University of Antwerp), and **Daniel Guillery** (London School of Economics and Political Science) Chair: **Virginia De Biasio** (King's College London)
Prestonfield	*Moral Exploitation* **Saba Bazargan-Forward** (University **of Calif**ornia, San Diego), and **Yuan Yuan** (University of California, San Diego) Chair: **Giulio Fornaroli** (Jagellonian University in Krakow)
Duddingston	*Overlooking and Negotiating Co-Parenting Relationships* **Johanna Rensing** (University of Basel) Chair: **Francesca Miccoli** (University of Basel)
Holyrood	*Agentic AI, Nudges, and the Limits of Outsourcing Autonomous Agency* **Viktor Ivanković** (Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)**,** and **Stefano Calboli** (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa) Chair: **Daphne Brandenburg** (University of Groningen)
Salisbury	*Anti-girlism & Adolescence* **Alyssa Izatt** (University of British Columbia) Chair: **Rebecca Brione** (King's College London)

1.30-2.30pm **Lunch**

JMCC Restaurant	*Conference delegates registered for lunch*

2.30-3.10 **Concurrent Sessions 8** (5)

Pentland East	*Of Green Frequent Flyers and Wealthy Socialists: A Defence of Apparent Hypocrisy* **Annalisa Costella** (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) Chair: **Anneli Jefferson** (University of Cardiff)
Prestonfield	*Parental Punishment and the Standard of Proof* **Benjamin Yost** (Cornell University) Chair: **Alison Toop** (University of Leeds)
Duddingston	*The Wrongs of Tourism: Defending the Place-Based Rights of Residents* **Virginia De Biasio** (King's College London) Chair: **Claire Hamlett** (University of Roehampton)

Holyrood	*The Right to Liveability* **Guy Aitchison** (Loughborough University) Chair: **Anthony Skelton** (University of Western Ontario)
Salisbury	*Ineffective, unnecessary, unjust: An argument against imprisoning lawbreakers* **Piero Moraro** (Edith Cowan University) Chair: **Katerina Jennings** (University of Oxford)

3.20-4.00pm **Concurrent Sessions 9** (5)

Prestonfield	*AI in Higher Education: On the Ethics of Automated Grading* **Andrée-Anne Cormier** (École nationale d'adminitration publique, Université du Québec (Montréal)) Chair: **Anna Mikhaylovskaya** (University of Groningen, and University of Groningen)
Duddingston	*Liquid Democracy and the Problem of Inclusiveness* **Anna Mikhaylovskaya** (University of Groningen), and **Elise Roumeas** (University of Groningen) Chair: **Michele Giavazzi** (Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich)
Holyrood	*What are Moral Panics?* **Jonathan Dixon** (Wake Forest University) and **Elizabeth Hupfer** (High Point University) Chair: **Michael Cholbi** (University of Edinburgh)
Salisbury	*A New Argument Against Benign Carnivorism* **Leonardo Nanni** (Università degli Studi di Bergamo) Chair: **Massimo Renzo** (King's College London)

4.00-4.30pm **Tea / Coffee**

Centro	*All conference delegates*

4.30-5.10pm **Concurrent Sessions 10** (5)

Pentland East	*The Mythical Everywoman and The Invisible Stripper: who gets hurt in anti-sex-work feminism* **Rosa Vince** (University of Leeds) Chair: **Esther Braun** (University of Oxford)
Prestonfield	*Animals as home-makers: a non-anthropocentric account of home and its ethical implications* **Claire Hamlett** (University of Roehampton) Chair: **Tania Hernández González** (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)
Duddingston	*The risk of being a white saviour* **Elettra Repetto** (University of Piemonte Orientale) Chair: **Guillaume Andrieux** (University of Glasgow)

Holyrood	*Torturous Defence* **Gerald Lang** (University of Leeds) Chair: **Reuven Brandt** (UC San Diego)
Salisbury	*Republicanism and Hidden Injustice: The Challenge from Adaptive Preferences* **Cara Addleman** (University of Oxford) Chair: **Daniel Guillery** (London School of Economics and Political Science)

5.20-6.30pm **Plenary Session 3** (1)

Pentland East	*When Norm Violations Come Out of the Shadows* **Jennifer Saul** (University of Waterloo) Chair: **Anneli Jefferson** (University of Cardiff)

7.15-7.45pm **Journal of Applied Philosophy Meet the Editor Session**

Pentland East	*All delegates welcome* Journal of APPLIED PHILOSOPHY

6.30-7.15pm **Society for Applied Philosophy Annual General Meeting**

Pentland East	*All members of the Society for Applied Philosophy*

7.45-9.00pm **Dinner**

South Hall	*Conference delegates registered for dinner*

Sunday 05 July

9.30-11.30am **Panel Sessions** (4)

Pentland East	***Africana Philosophy in the UK*** Chair: **Avery Kolers** (University of Tennessee) *The Edinburgh School of Africana Philosophy: Against the Mode of Under-Specialization within the Discipline of Philosophy* **Tommy Curry** (University of Edinburgh) *Thinking Sexual Difference in West African Indigenous Contexts* **Patrice Haynes** (University of Nottingham) *Violence, Rhymes and Double Binds* **Tareeq Jalloh** (University of Oxford)
Prestonfield	***The Role of Context in Topics in Sexual Ethics*** Chair: **Ashley Lindsley-Kim** (University of British Colombia) *Sexual Exclusion and a Framework of Sexual Justice* **Ashley Lindsley-Kim** (University of British Colombia) Coercion and Valid Sexual Consent **Jonathan Ichikawa** (University of British Columbia) *Moral Blinding, Marital Rape* **Ritu Sharma** (University of British Columbia)
Duddingston	***Well-Being*** Chair: **Michael Cholbi** (University of Edinburgh) *Well-being and Life-Authorship* **Massimo Renzo** (King's College London) *Nonfungible Goods* **Connie S. Rosati** (University of Texas at Austin) *Well-being and the Success of a Life* **Steven Wall** (University of Arizona)
Holyrood	***Philosophy of Journalism: What Role Should Journalism Play in Democracy*** Chair: **Pilar Lopez-Cantero** (University of Antwerp) *Deliberative journalism defended against three criticisms* **Rubén Marciel** (University of Geneva) *The Responsible-Inquiry Model of Journalism* **Viviane Fairbank** (University of St Andrews and Stirling) *Narrative and Explanatory Journalism: Epistemic Functions and Democratic Value* **Alexander Prescott-Couch** (University of Oxford)

11.30am-12pm **Tea / Coffee**

Centro	*All conference delegates*

12.00.-1.10pm **Plenary Session 4** (1)

Pentland East	*The Agentic and the Artificial* **Manuel Vargas** (UC San Diego) Chair: **Christopher Bennett** (University of Sheffield)

1.10-2.10pm **Lunch**

JMCC Restuarant	*Conference delegates registered for lunch*

2.10pm **Close**

	Please ensure all outstanding business is concluded prior to departure