

Mario De Caro



Curriculum vitae (March 2025)

- Dip. di Filosofia, Università Roma Tre, via Ostiense 234, 00146 Roma, Italy
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A) Academic profile

1. Positions

- Full professor of Moral Philosophy, Università Roma Tre
- Teaching Visiting Professor, Tufts University (2000 to present)
- Teaching Visiting Professor, Università Svizzera Italiana, Lugano (2014, 2018, and 2021)
- Visiting Teaching Professor, LUISS, PhD in Political Science (2012 to 2019)

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- Visiting Teaching Professor, the School of Advanced Studies, University of Turin (2012 topresent).

- Teaching Visiting Professor, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University, Warsaw, Poland, 2015.
- Teaching Visiting Professor (Erasmus Program), University of Warwick, 2014.
- Teaching Visiting Professor (Erasmus Program), University of Madrid Autónoma, 2008.
- Teaching Visiting Professor, Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame, Indiana) 1998
- Visiting Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1993-1994 and 1994-1995).
- Visiting Scholar, Harvard University (1997-1998)

- Member of dissertation committees at Columbia University, Paris IV-Sorbonne, Universidad deValencia, Universidad Autonoma de Madrid, Geneva, Nijmegen, Lugano, Genoa, LUISS, Roma "Tor Vergata", Firenze, Macerata, Padova, Pavia, Sassari, Siena, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Milano San Raffaele, Genova, Università Europea, "La Sapienza" di Roma, LUMSA Roma, Università di Siena, Università di Aquila, Statale di Pisa.

2. Lectures and talks

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Invited lectures given in more than 100 institutions in 19 countries including Oxford, Harvard, Princeton, Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris IV-Sorbonne, École Normale Supérieure de Paris, Dartmouth, Tufts, Notre Dame, Boston College, Boston University, Brandeis, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, University of Indiana at Bloomington, University of New Hampshire, College of the Holy Cross, Brandeis, Indiana at Bloomington, Warwick, Edinburgh, Roehampton (London), Heidelberg, München, Sydney, Toronto, CNRS Paris (Jean Nicod), Birmingham, Warwick, Vienna, Hamburg, Bonn, Bamberg, Postdam, Heidelberg, Bonn, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Bern, Genéve, Zürich, Autónoma de Madrid, Lisbon, Pozdam, Università Lateranense, Università Gregoriana, Università Urbaniana, Pontificia Università Antonianum, Vatican University of the Holy Cross, SADAF (Buenos Aires), Universidad de la República de Uruguay (Montevideo), and in more than 60 Italian universities.

- Commencement speaker at Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa (2011); closing key-speaker at the XIX Congreso Interamericano de Filosofia (Montevideo, 2024).

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B) Other academic positions

- President of the Italian Association for Moral Philosophy (2022-2025); member of its steering committee of the Italian Association for Moral Philosophy (2012 to 2019)
- Member of the Steering Committee of the International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP) (2024-2028).
- Vice president of the Consulta Nazionale di Filosofia (which groups all Italian academic philosophers) (2012-2022)
- Member of the steering committee of the Italian Philosophical Association (2019 to present)
- President of the Italian Society of Analytic Philosophy, SIFA (2012-2014); Vice president (2010-2014)
- Founder of the International Machiavelli Society (IMS) and member of its Steering Committee
- Member of the Committee on Academic Career Opportunities and Placement of the American Philosophical Association (APA) (2010-2013); member since 2009.
- Member of the Steering Committee of the Roman chapter of the Italian Philosophical Association (2013-).
- Member of the Steering Committee of the Italian Association for Cognitive Science (AISC) (2013-2016).
- Member of the steering committee of the Italian Society of Neuroethics and Philosophy of Neurosciences (2013-).
- Member of the Organizing Committee of the 25th World Congress of Philosophy (*Fédération Internationale des Sociétés de Philosophie*).
- Honorary member of the Italian Jaspers Society
- Secretary of the Italian Association for Political Philosophy (2002-2004).
- Consultant of the Italy Fulbright Commission (2010 to present).
- Peer reviewer for the Austrian Academy of Sciences (2023)

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- Member of the committee for the evaluation of the Portuguese research programs in philosophy (Ministry of Science, Technology and Academic Education) (2011 and 2023).
- Peer reviewer for the "Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council", Canada
- Peer reviewer for the "Research Foundation Flanders" (FWO, Belgium).
- Peer reviewer for the Czech Science Foundation.

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- Vice president of the Association "Romanae Disputationes" (which connects academics and high-school teachers of philosophy)
- Honorary member of the Società Jaspersiana Italiana
- Member of the International Center for Consciousness Studies
- Member of the Program Committee of the 25th World Congress of Philosophy held in Rome, Italy, on August 2024.

C) Editorial positions

- Literary executor of Hilary Putnam.

- Associate editor of the Journal of the American Philosophical Association

(Cambridge University Press, since 2015)

- Associate editor of Ancient Philosophy Today (Edinburgh University) (2018-2021)

- Member of the editorial boards/scientific committees of *Philosophical Inquiries*, *Linguistic* and *Philosophical Investigations*, *Review of Contemporary Philosophy*, *Análisis: revista de investigación filosófica*, *Analysis and Metaphysics*, *Ancient Philosophy Today*, *Transversal: International Journal for the Historiography of Science*, *Phenomenology and Mind*, *Acta Philosophica*, *Brentano and the Aristotelian Tradition*, *International Journal of Artificial Intelligence*, *Rivista di estetica*, *Paradigmi*, *Filosofia e questioni pubbliche*, *Anthropologica*, *Dialogoi*, *Rivista Internazionale di Filosofia e Psicologia*, *Democrazia e sicurezza*, *Hermeneutica*, *ETR* - *Ethica Theoretica Religio*. *International Studies in the Philosophy of Religion*

- Member of the advisory committee for philosophy of the publisher Il Mulino.
- Editor of two book series in philosophy for the publisher Mimesis.

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- Member of the scientific committee of the series "Mente e azione" for the publisher ETS
- Referee for the publishers Harvard University Press, Oxford University Press, Columbia University Press, Routledge, Palgrave, Springer, Bloomsbury, Acumen, Laterza, Carocci, Fazi, il Mulino, Einaudi, and for the journals Journal of Philosophy, Synthese, Philosophical Papers, Erkenntnis, Dialectica, International Journal of Philosophical Studies, Philosophical Psychology, Ethics and Information Technology, Res Philosophica, The Journal of Value Inquiry, Philosophical Explorations, Journal of Cognitive Science, Philosophia, Topoi, Journal of Mind and Society, Journal of Moral Education, Journal of Ethics Education, Paradigmi, Filosofia e questioni pubbliche, Rivista di estetica, Giornale di metafisica, Rivista di filosofia, Politeia, Estetica: studi e ricerche, Teoria e critica della regolazione sociale, Sistemi intelligenti, International Journal of Philosophical Studies.

D) **Project organization**

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2023-2025: Member of the Roma Tre unity of research of the Prin project "Distrust in Science Reframed: Understanding and Countering Anti-scientific Behavior"

2019-2024: Principal Investigator of the PRIN project "New challenges for applied ethics.

The moral impact of scientific and technological advances" (with the local unities of RomaTre, Pisa, Padova, and Milano San Raffaele).

2015-2017: 2009-2011; 2013-2015: 2 national PRIN grants as Main Investigator of researchunits.

2019-2021: Grant from Roma Tre University for a project of particular scientific interest ("Dinamiche sociali della paura")

2000-2009 and 2024-2025: 3 national PRIN grants as a member of a research-unit

2011-2013: Grant for a High-level Internationalization Project at Università Roma Tre(2011-2013)

E) Research interests

Moral philosophy; philosophy of Artificial Intelligence and the new technologies; philosophy

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of mind; neuroethics; metaphysics; philosophical naturalism; the free-will problem; philosophy of film; history of early modern philosophy and science.

F) Recent activities in the field of ethics of A.I. and the new technologies

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- Course on "Ethics and artificial intelligence", Tufts University (Departments of Engineering and Philosophy), Fall term 2019
- Intensive course on "Philosophy of artificial intelligence", Università della Svizzera Italiana, Lugano, Switzerland, February 2020
- Intensive course on "Philosophy of digital technology", Università di Udine (January 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Course on "Philosophy and ethics of technology" Università Roma Tre (Spring terms 2022 and 2023)
- Course of "The Challenges of AI", Università Antonianum, Roma (2023, 2024)
- Invited speaker at the 11th Cyber Crime Conference (Rome), talk on "Cognitive limits and cybercrime", 2023.
- Invited speaker on "Nature and artificial intelligence", International festival of Agriculture, Turin, April 1, 2023.
- Member of the Ethical committee of "Sant'Alessio Margherita di Savoia", Center for the study of visual impairment and blindness, Rome.
- Consultant on Ethics of AI for Ente Nazionale per l'Energia Elettrica (ENEL) (since 2024).
- Key speaker at a Conference of Confederazione Italiana Sindacati Lavoratori (CISL)
 2023, 2025.
- Key speaker at a National Conference of the Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro (CGIL), 2023.
- Closing key-speaker at the XIX Congreso Interamericano de Filosofia, Montevideo, 2024.
- Invited speaker at the Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Filosófico, Buenos Aires, 2024.
- Speaker at a Conference of International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP),

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Fujairah, Arab Emirates, 2024.

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G) Publications (for a more detailed list, see below)

Mario De Caro has 2894 citations according to Google Scholar (accessed on March 14, 2025), with an h-index of 21 and an i-10-index of 52. He is the author of 7 books in Italian and of one forthcoming for Harvard University Press; the editor of more than twenty collections of essays in English and Italian (for publishers such as Harvard, Routledge, Columbia, Springer, Kluwer, and Einaudi), and has published more than 150 scientific articles in Italian, English, German, Spanish, Polish, and Romanian. He has published in *The Monist, Synthese, Review of Metaphysics, Philosophical Review, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, The Journal of Value Inquiry, Philosophy and Social Criticism, Topoi, Jurisprudence, Medicine and Philosophy, Journal of Comparative Neurology, Social Epistemology Review, Neuroethics, Rivista di filosofia, Sistemi intelligenti, Quaestio, Rivista di storia della filosofia, Rivista di filosofia e psicologia, Teoria.*

H) Awards and other honors

- Fulbright Fellowship (1997/1998)
- Marco Mondadori Fellowship (1998)
- Asteroid 5329 has been named "Asteroid DeCaro" after him (2006).
- Grant by the Templeton Foundation for a project related to the call "The Science and Philosophy of Self-Control" (2015-2017) (with M. Brass, University of Ghent).
- National Award for Philosophy, Frascati (2023)

I) Main publications

a) Authored or coauthored volumes

Liberal Naturalism (Harvard University Press, forthcoming)

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Hilary Putnam (Polity Press, forthcoming) (with M. Baghramian)
Saggezza artificiale: etica e politica dell'IA (II Mulino, forthcoming, with B. Giovanola)
Naturalismo: storia di una visione del mondo (II Mulino, forthcoming)
I valori al cinema (Mondadori, 2023) (with E. Terrone)
Le sfide dell'etica (Mondadori Università 2021) (with F. Magni e M.S. Vaccarezza)
Realtà (Bollati Boringhieri 2020)
Libero arbitrio (Laterza 2020⁹);
Mente e morale (non riuscire a sopportare la vista dei cadaveri UP 2016) (with M. Marraffa)
Azione (II Mulino 2008)
Dal punto di vista dell'interprete (Carocci, 1998)

b) Main edited or coedited volumes:

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Interpretations and Causes. New Perspectives on Donald Davidson's Philosophy (Kluwer 1999)
Naturalism in Question (Harvard UP 2004/2008) (with D. Macarthur)
Cartographies of the Mind. Philosophy and Psychology in Intersection (Springer 2007) (with M. Marraffa & F. Ferretti)
Naturalism and Normativity (Columbia UP 2010) (with D. Macarthur)
Philosophy in an Age of Science, collection of essays by H. Putnam (Harvard UP 2012) (with D. Macarthur)
Editor of three issues of the journal *The Monist* (2015, 2018, and 2020)
Naturalism, Realism, and Normativity, collection of essays by H. Putnam (Harvard UP 2016)
Practical Wisdom (Routledge 2021) (with M.S. Vaccarezza)
Routledge Handbook of Liberal Naturalism (Routledge, 2022) (with D. Macarthur)
In Dialogue, collection of essays by H. Putnam (Harvard UP, 2022) (with D. Macarthur)
Editor of "Digital Technologies and Human Decision-Making" special issue of *Topoi* 42, 202 (with S. Bonicalzi and B. Giovanola)

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c) Main recent articles

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"Virtue monism and medical practice. Practical wisdom as cross-situational ethical expertise"

- (with M.S. Vaccarezza et al.), Medicine and Philosophy, forthcoming.
- "The ethical model of orchestra conducting: a psychological and Philosophical perspective" (with C. Palazzolo), *Philosophical Psychology*, 2024,

https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09515089.2024.2417980

- "Comment on Sylvie Delacroix's *Habitual Ethics*?", *Jurisprudence*, 1–6, https://doi.org/10.1080/20403313.2024.2322338.
- "Artificial Intelligence and Autonomy: On the Ethical Dimension of Recommender Systems", *Topoi*, 42, 2023, 819-832.
- "Between the Placement Problem and the Reconciliation Problem. Philosophical Naturalism Today", *Topoi*, 42 (3), 675 - 682
- "The Third Antinomy in the Age of Naturalism", in L. Corti, J.-G. Schuelein (eds.), *Life*, *Organisms, and Human Nature*, series *Studies in German Idealism* 22, Springer Nature 2023, 265-279.
- "Putnam's Liberal Naturalism," in M. Frauchige (ed.), *Themes from Putnam*, Ontos Verlag, Berlin, forthcoming.
- "How the Libet Tradition Can Contribute to Understanding Human Action Rather Free Will" (with S. Bonicalzi), in C.A. Austin, A. Marmodoro, A. Roselli (eds.), *Powers, Time and Free Will*, Synthese Library, Springer, Cham, pp. 199–225.
- "Practical Identity and Open Cooperation" (with B. Giovanola and M. Marraffa), in G. De Anna (ed.), *Political Identity and the Metaphysics of Polities*, Routledge, London 2023, pp. 41-58.
- "Davidson and Putnam on the Antinomy of Free Will", in J. Conant and S. Chakraborty (eds.), *Engaging Putnam*, de Gruyter, Berlin 2022, 249-262.
- "Morality and Interpretation: The Principle of Phronetic Charity" (with M.S. Vaccarezza), *EthicalTheory and Moral Practice*, 23(2), 2022, 295-307.
- "The Priority of Phronesis: How To Rescue Virtue Theory from Its Critics," in M. De Caro and M.S. Vaccarezza (eds.), *Practical Wisdom*, Routledge, London-New York, 2021, 29-

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- "Lynne Baker's Near Naturalism," in L.R.G. Oliveira & K.J. Corcoran (eds.), *Commonsense Metaphysics. Essays in Honor of Lynne Rudder Baker*, Routledge, London-New York 2021, 292-305.
- "Commonsense and Naturalism", in P. Giladi (ed.), *Responses to Naturalism: Critical Perspectives from Idealism and Pragmatism*, Routledge, London-New York 2020, 184-207.
- "Liberal Naturalism: Origins and Prospects", in M. De Caro and D. Macarthur (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Liberal Naturalism*, Routledge, London-New York 2022, 205-217.
- "Scientific Naturalism and Its Faults", in S. Wuppuluri and I. Stewart, *From Electrons to Elephants and Elections*, Springer, Dordrecht 2022, 65-77.
- "Emotional Skillfulness and Virtue Acquisition", in D. Dukes, A.C. Samson, and E.A. Walle (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Emotional Development* (with A. Niccoli and M.S. Vaccarezza), Oxford University Press, Oxford-New York 2022, 503-512.
- "Free Will and Quantum Mechanics" (with H. Putnam), *The Monist*, 103, 4, 2020, 391-403. "The Priority of Phronesis: How To Rescue Virtue Theory from Its Critics," New York, 29-51.
 - "v 's Lucretian View of Free Will," in D. Zucca (ed.), *Lucretius: Poet and Philosopher*, De Gruyter, Berlin 2020, 201-217.
 - "*Actus non facit reum nisi mens sit rea*: The concept of guilt in the age of cognitive science," in A. D'Aloia (ed.), *Neuroscience and Law*, Springer, Dordrecht 2020, 69-79.
 - "Self-Control, Agency, and the Placebo Brain Stimulation. Psychological and Philosophical Perspectives" (with M. Brass et al.), in A. Mele (ed.), *Surrounding Self-Control*, Oxford University Press, Oxford-New York 2020, 189-202.
 - "Hilary Putnam on Perspectivism and Naturalism", in A.-M Cretu M. Massimi (eds.), *Knowledge from a Human Point of View*, Springer, Dordrecht, 2019, pp. 57-70.
 - "The Indispensability of the Manifest Image", *Philosophy and Social Criticism*, 45, 2019, pp. 1-11.
 - "Phronesis as Ethical Expertise: Naturalism of Second Nature and the Unity of Virtue" (with M.S.Vaccarezza), *The Journal of Value Inquiry*, 52, 2019, pp. 287-305.

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"Review of The Cambridge Companion to Philosophical Methodology", Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews 2018;

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- "On Galileo's Platonism, again," in J. Agassi, D. Drozdova D. Pisano, (eds.), *Hypotheses and Perspectives within History and Philosophy of Science. Hommage to AlexandreKoyré 1964-*2014, Springer, Dordrecht, 2018, pp. 84-104.
- Debunking the Pyramidal Mind: A Plea for Sinergy between Reason and Emotion," *Journal of Comparative* Neurology, *524* (8), June 2016, pp. 1695-1698
- "Review of L.R. Baker, *Naturalism and the first-person perspective*," *Philosophical Review*, 124, 1, 2015, pp. 156-158.
- "Realism, Common Sense, and Science", The Monist, 2015, pp. 197-214.

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