# John Maier

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## Employment

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|---|---|
| 2015 – 2016 | Peking University<br>Associate Professor; Institute for Foreign Philosophy |
| 2012 – 2014 | University of Cambridge<br>Research Fellow; Faculty of Philosophy |
| 2011 – 2012 | University of Sydney<br>Postdoctoral Fellow; Centre for Time, Department of Philosophy |
| 2009 – 2011 | Australian National University<br>Postdoctoral Fellow; RSSS, Philosophy Program |
| 2008 – 2009 | University of Colorado, Boulder<br>Visiting Instructor; Department of Philosophy |

## Education

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|---|---|
| 2003 – 2008 | Princeton University<br>Ph.D. in Philosophy |
| 2001 – 2003 | Stanford University<br>Doctoral student in Comparative Literature |
| 1997 – 2001 | Harvard College<br>A.B. in Literature, *magna cum laude* with highest honors |

## Research and teaching areas

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| Areas of Specialization: | Metaphysics, Philosophy of Action |
| Areas of Competence: | Epistemology, Ethics, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind |

## Publications

### Articles

Ability, Modality, and Genericity
Forthcoming in *Philosophical Studies*
Modal Predicates
*Linguistics and Philosophy* 39: 443-457 (2016)
Dispositions and Ergativity
*The Philosophical Quarterly* 65: 381-395 (2015)

The Agentive Modalities
*Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 90/1: 113-134 (2015)
The Argument from Moral Responsibility
*Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 92/2: 249-267 (2014)

**Book reviews**

Review of Jenann Ismael, *How Physics Makes Us Free*
Forthcoming in the *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*
Review of Bence Nanay (ed.), *Perceiving the World*
*Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* (2011)
Review of Richard Holton, *Willing, Wanting, Waiting*
*Australasian Journal of Philosophy* (2010)

**Encyclopedia entry**

Abilities
*Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (2010; updated 2015)

## Selected recent presentations

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| May 2016 | Linguistics in Philosophy<br>Conference on the Future of Philosophy, Tsinghua University |
| February 2016 | Ability, Modality, and Genericity<br>UC-Riverside |
| June 2015 | Affordance Ascriptions<br>Dispositions Workshop, University of Stuttgart |
| January 2015 | The Evaluative Dimension of Dispositionality<br>New Directions in Modality, Humboldt University |
| November 2014 | Dispositions and Ergativity<br>University of Connecticut |
| October 2014 | Intention and Propositions<br>Logic and Language Group, MIT |

## Courses taught

**Undergraduate**

Donald Davidson (University of Cambridge)
Epistemology (University of Colorado)
Existentialism (University of Colorado)
Introduction to Metaphysics (Peking University)
Philosophy and the Sciences (University of Colorado)
Philosophy and Society (University of Colorado)

**Graduate**

Counterfactuals (Peking University)
Fatalism (Peking University)
Modality: Metaphysics and Semantics (University of Sydney)
Persons (Peking University)
Pragmatic Approaches to Modality (with Huw Price) (University of Cambridge)

## Service

Co-organizer (with Daniel Lim), Beijing Philosophy Discussion Group

External Ph.D. examiner, University of New South Wales

Refereeing:

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| Articles: | *American Philosophical Quarterly, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Biology and Philosophy, Dialectica, Erkenntnis, Ethics, Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy, Journal of Moral Philosophy, Mind, Philosophy Compass, Philosophical Papers, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophical Studies, Theoria* |
| Proposal: | Palgrave Macmillan |
| Monographs: | MIT Press, Oxford University Press |

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