

# CURRICULUM VITAE

Rae Helen Langton

## Current Appointment

2013-                      Professor of Philosophy, University of Cambridge  
                                  Professorial Fellow, Newnham College

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## Prior Appointments

2004-2013                Professor, Department of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT  
1999-2004                Professor of Moral Philosophy, University of Edinburgh  
1998-1999                Lecturer, Sheffield University  
1997-1998                Fellow, Philosophy, Research School of Social Sciences,  
                                  Australian National University (seconded from Monash)  
1990-1998                Lecturer and Senior Lecturer, Monash University

## Education

Hebron School, Coonoor and Ootacamund, India, 1966-1979  
University of New England, NSW, 1980  
University of Sydney 1981-85, BA First Class Honours 1986  
Princeton University 1986-90, PhD awarded 1995

## Personal

Born 14 February 1961 in Ludhiana, India  
UK Citizen, Australian Citizen, US Green Card holder  
Married to Richard Holton

## Honours

American Academy of Arts and Sciences, inducted October 2013  
John Locke Lectures, Oxford 2015 (invited 2011)  
Prospect Magazine, April 2014, voted 18th among world's 'most  
important' thinkers for 2014 (and 4th among women)  
*Philosophers Annual*, 'Whose Right?' ('top ten' articles of 1990)  
John Anderson Prize (shared), Sydney 1986

## Visiting appointments

2015 (planned)	All Souls College, University of Oxford, Visiting Fellow for period of John Locke Lectures
2012, October	Princeton University, Whitney J. Oates Visiting Fellow in the Humanities Council, during Humanities Council Lectures
2012, Jan-July	Peterhouse College, University of Cambridge, Senior Research Associate; Philosophy Faculty, Visiting Professor
2009, Jan-May	Yale University, Department of Philosophy, Visiting Professor
2008, Jan-July	Balliol College, University of Oxford, MIT-Balliol Exchange
2008, April-July	University College, University of Oxford, H.L.A. Hart Fellow, Oxford Center for Ethics and Philosophy of Law
2003, June-July	Research School of Social Sciences, ANU, Visiting Fellow
2002, March	University of Texas, Austin, Anderson Visiting Fellow, one week visit to Law School, Philosophy, and Women's Studies
2001, July-August	Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, Visiting Professor
1994, June	University of Wellington, New Zealand, Visiting Lecturer
1991-2 Dec-Jan	University of Delhi, Monash-Delhi Exchange

## Publications

### Books

1. *Sexual Solipsism: Philosophical Essays on Pornography and Objectification* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009); Oxford Scholarship Online, 2010.

‘Langton’s crisp, clear, and careful argumentation proves that philosophy has much to offer the socially, politically and even legally charged issues addressed here. This book will not disappoint. In sum, the book is superb...This is feminist scholarship at its very best. It’s first-rate philosophy.’  
Mary Kate McGowan, *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*

‘Rae Langton’s *Sexual Solipsism* is a superb example of feminist philosophy. Crisp, lucid, analytically adept, passionately engaged, imaginatively resourceful, it goes to the heart of issues concerning pornography and the ‘objectification’ of women like nothing else in the literature, showing how good philosophy can give us resources to confront some of the world’s worst evils. A must-read for all who care about social justice.’ Martha Nussbaum, University of Chicago.

‘The essays in *Sexual Solipsism* confront some of the most highly charged questions that arise in relations between the sexes. What happens when one person objectifies another? What makes it possible for some to be silenced by others, notwithstanding their freedom to speak? How can injustice, or even the adoption of an epistemic or practical standpoint, undermine the possibility of intimacy? Rae Langton’s insightful answers to these questions display a heady mix of clarity, rigor, passion and wit. Rarely have I enjoyed or profited from reading a collection more.’ Michael Smith, Princeton University.

‘Some feminists are drawn to Audre Lorde’s remark that, ‘The master’s tools will never dismantle the master’s house.’ The best refutation of that pessimism is Rae Langton’s *Sexual Solipsism*. These fine essays chisel away at patriarchal thought, especially its sometimes lazy defenses of free speech and shallow notions of autonomy. But they do so by wielding the sharpest tools in the kit of modern philosophy. Langton’s conclusions challenge many liberals; her methods challenge many feminists. This is feminist philosophy at its best.’ Leslie Green, University of Oxford.

2. *Kantian Humility: Our Ignorance of Things in Themselves* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1998; paperback, 2001). A launch title with *Oxford Scholarship Online*.

‘This is one of the most original and thought-provoking books on Kant to have appeared for quite some time. Its scholarship and its philosophical insight are equally impressive, and it raises philosophical questions of considerable interest for the present day.’ Ralph C. S. Walker, *Mind*.

‘admirably clear, tightly argued... an extremely engaging and thought-provoking book.’ Adrian Moore, *Philosophical Review*

‘Langton offers a fresh interpretation of Kant, the main tenets of which she states in a few bold propositions and then goes on to elaborate with great clarity and care. She supports her interpretation with a wealth of citations accompanied by insightful commentary. . . This is a marvelous book.’ James van Cleve, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*.

‘Langton’s book is a significant contribution to the recent literature on Kant’s idealism, and will be widely discussed.’ *Times Literary Supplement*.

‘A novel attempt to elucidate and defend a central Kantian thesis....A most interesting, impressive, and scholarly exercise in Kantian interpretation’. P. F. Strawson, Oxford.

‘Anyone interested in the perennially fascinating subject of Kant’s transcendental idealism must reckon with this distinctive and challenging work.’ Paul Guyer, University of Pennsylvania.

‘I leave it to others more qualified than I am to argue about whether Langton’s Kant is the historical Kant. Whether he is or not, the case he makes for our irremediable ignorance of the intrinsic properties of substances is extremely interesting and, in my opinion, something very like his conclusion is true. Langton’s book makes a major contribution not only to historical scholarship but also to metaphysics and epistemology.’ David Lewis, Princeton.

#### *Articles and book chapters*

3. ‘Whose right? Ronald Dworkin, Women, and Pornographers’, *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 19 (1990), 311-59.

Reprinted: *The Philosopher’s Annual 1990*, eds. Grim, Mar and Williams (Atascadero, Ca: Ridgeview, 1992), as one of the voted ‘ten best’ articles in the philosophical literature of 1990; *The Problem of Pornography*, ed. Sue Dwyer (Belmont, Ca: Wadsworth, 1995); *Feminist Legal Theory*, ed. K. Weisberg (Philadelphia, PA: Temple University Press, 1996); Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.

4. ‘Duty and Desolation’, *Philosophy* 67 (1992), 481-505.

Reprinted: ‘Maria von Herbert’s Challenge to Kant’ in *Oxford Reader: Ethics*, ed. P. Singer (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1994); *Vice and Virtue in Everyday Life*, eds. Fogelin, Hoff-Sommers, Sommers (Harcourt Brace, 1996); *Ethics: Classical Texts in Feminist and Multicultural Perspectives*, ed. Sterba (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999); Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.

5. ‘Speech Acts and Unspeakable Acts’, *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 22 (1993), 305-330.

Reprinted: *Freedom of Communication in Australia*, Dartmouth Applied Legal Philosophy Series, eds. Campbell & Sadurski (Dartmouth: Dartmouth University Press, 1994); *The Problem of Pornography*, ed. Sue Dwyer (Belmont, Ca: Wadsworth, 1995); *Applied Ethics in American Society*, eds. Michelfelder & Wilcox (Harcourt Brace, 1996); *Taking Sides: Clashing Views on Controversial Moral Issues*, ed. Stephen Satris (Guilford, Ct: McGraw-Hill, 2000); Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*. Trans. Steffen K. Hermann, ‘Sprechakte und Unsprechbare Akte’, in

- Verletzende Worte*, eds. Krämer, Hermann, Kuch (Bielefeld: Edition Moderne Postmoderne, 2007).
6. 'Beyond a Pragmatic Critique of Reason', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 71 (1993), 364-84. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  7. 'Sexual Solipsism', *Philosophical Topics* 23 (1995), ed. Sally Haslanger, 181-219. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  8. 'Pornography, Speech Acts, and Silence', *Ethics in Practice*, ed. Hugh LaFollette (Cambridge, Mass. and Oxford: Blackwell, 1997), 338-49.
  9. 'Love and Solipsism', in *Love Analyzed*, ed. Roger Lamb (Boulder, Co: Westview Press, 1997) 123-52. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  10. 'Subordination, Silence and Pornography's Authority', *Censorship and Silencing*, ed. R. Post (Santa Monica, Ca: J. Paul Getty Trust and Oxford University Press, 1998), 261-83. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  11. 'Free Speech and Illocution', co-authored with Jennifer Hornsby, *Journal of Legal Theory* 4 (1998), 21-37. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  12. 'Defining "Intrinsic"', co-authored with David Lewis, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* (1998), 333-45. Reprinted: Lewis, *Papers in Metaphysics and Epistemology* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1998). Trans. F. Ferro, "Comment définir "intrinsèque"". *Revue de Métaphysique et de Morale* 107 (2002) 541-557.
  13. 'Empathy and Animal Ethics', co-authored with Richard Holton, *Singer and His Critics*, ed. Dale Jamieson (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1998), 209-32.
  14. 'Pornography: a Liberal's Unfinished Business', *Canadian Journal of Law and Jurisprudence*, Special Issue on Legal Theory (1999), ed. Wilfrid Waluchow, 109-133. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  15. 'Feminism in Epistemology: Exclusion and Objectification', *Cambridge Companion to Feminism in Philosophy*, eds. Jennifer Hornsby and Miranda Fricker (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000), 127-145. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  16. 'Scorekeeping in a Pornographic Language Game', co-authored with Caroline West, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 77 (1999), 303-19. Reprinted: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*.
  17. 'Locke's Relations and God's Good Pleasure', *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*, 2000, 75-91.
  18. 'The Musical, the Magical and the Mathematical Soul' (on Aristotle's theory of soul), *The History of the Mind Body Problem*, eds. Timothy Crane and Sarah Patterson (London: Routledge, 2000), 13-33.
  19. 'Marshall and Parsons on "Intrinsic"', co-authored with David Lewis, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 63 (2001), 1-3.

20. 'Virtues of Resentment', *Utilitas* 13 (2001), 255-62, special issue on 'Character and Consequence', ed. Julia Driver.
21. 'Problems from Kant, by James van Cleve', *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 66 (2001), 211-8 (Symposium contribution).
22. 'Kantian Humility: Reply to Lorne Falkenstein', *Kantian Review* 5 (2001), 64-72.
23. 'Intention as Faith', *Philosophy* (Proceedings, Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference on Action and Agency 2003); *Action and Agency*, eds. John Hyman and Helen Steward (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2004) 243-58.
24. 'Elusive Knowledge of Things in Themselves', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* 82 (2004), 129-36. Special issue in honour of David Lewis.
25. 'Projection and Objectification', in *The Future for Philosophy*, ed. Brian Leiter (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004).
26. 'Feminism in Philosophy', *The Oxford Handbook of Contemporary Analytic Philosophy*, eds. Frank Jackson and Michael Smith (Oxford: Oxford University Press 2005), 231-57.
27. 'Disenfranchised Silence', in *Common Minds: Themes from the Philosophy of Philip Pettit*, eds. Geoffrey Brennan, Robert Goodin, Frank Jackson and Michael Smith (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006).
28. 'Kant's Phenomena: Extrinsic or Relational Properties? A Reply to Allais', *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 73 (2006), 170-185.
29. 'Objective and Unconditioned Value', *Philosophical Review* 116 (2007), 157-85.
30. 'Ghosts in the World Machine? Humility and its Alternatives', co-authored with Christopher Robichaud, *New Waves in Metaphysics*, ed. Allan Hazlett (Palgrave MacMillan, 2010), 156-178.
31. 'Esteem in the Moral Economy of Oppression', *Philosophical Perspectives* 23 (2010) *Ethics*, ed. John Hawthorne, 273-291.
32. 'Slaves to Fashion?', co-authored with Lauren Ashwell, in *Fashion: Philosophy for Everyone*, eds. Jeanette Kennett and Jessica Wolfendale (Chichester: Wiley-Blackwell, 2011), 135-150.
33. 'Symposium on Langton's *Sexual Solipsism*', *Jerusalem Review of Legal Studies* 3 (2011), 5-52, with replies from Langton to critical essays by Alon Harel, Hagit Benbaji, Yuval Eylon.
34. 'Symposium on Langton's *Sexual Solipsism*', *Jurisprudence* 2 (2011) 379-440, with replies from Langton to critical essays by Jennifer Hornsby, Louise Antony, Jennifer Saul, Natalie Stoljar and Nellie Wieland.
35. 'Beyond Belief: Pragmatics in Hate Speech and Pornography', in *Speech and Harm*, eds. Mary Kate McGowan and Ishani Maitra (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012), 126-147.

36. 'Language and Race', co-authored with Sally Haslanger and Luvell Anderson, for *Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, eds. Gillian Russell and Delia Graff Fara (Routledge 2012), 753-67.
37. 'Projected Love', in *Understanding Love through Philosophy, Film and Fiction*, eds. Susan Wolf and Christopher Grau (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013, forthcoming).
38. 'Humility and Co-Existence in Kant and Lewis: Two Modal Themes, with Variations', in *The Blackwell Companion to David Lewis*, eds. Barry Loewer and Jonathan Schaffer (Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming).
39. 'The Impossible Necessity of Filling in Space', in *Themes from Blackburn*, eds. Michael Smith and Robert Johnson (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming).
40. 'Ignorance of Things in Themselves', *The Norton Introduction to Philosophy*, eds. Alex Byrne, Joshua Cohen, Gideon Rosen, Seana Shiffrin (Norton Press, forthcoming).

*Other publications*

41. 'Quantum Riddles for the Innocent', *Proceedings of the Russellian Society* (Sydney: Sydney University, 1986).
42. 'Stich on Intentionality and Naturalism', *Prospects for Intentionality* (Working Papers in Philosophy 3) eds. Karen Neander and Ian Ravenscroft (Canberra: RSSH, ANU, 1993), 115-20.
43. 'Inverted Spectrum Revisited', *Themes from Wittgenstein* (Working Papers in Philosophy 4), eds. Brian Garrett and Kevin Mulligan (Canberra: RSSH, ANU, 1993) 106-119.
44. 'Locke's Mechanism: Relations and God's Good Pleasure', *Australasian Society for the History of Philosophy Yearbook*, ed. Knud Haakonssen (Canberra: ANU, 1993), 66-88 (later version published in *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*)
45. 'Receptivity and Kantian Humility', *Australasian Society for the History of Philosophy Yearbook*, ed. Knud Haakonssen (Canberra: ANU, 1994), 1-25
46. 'Descartes' (a guide to Descartes' *Meditations* ) in *Origins of Modern Philosophy*, ed. A. Townsend (Melbourne: Monash Distance Education Centre, 1995) 3-58.
47. 'In Conversation with Rae Langton', interview for *New British Philosophy: the Interviews*, ed. Jeremy Stangroom (London: Routledge, 2002).
48. Review of Jeffrey Edwards, *Substance, Force, and the Possibility of Knowledge*, *Philosophical Books* (2001).
49. Review of James Van Cleve, *Problems from Kant*, *Philosophical Review* (2001).
50. Comments on Anne Eaton's 'A Sensible Antiporn Feminism', in *Symposia on Gender and Race* 4 (2008), ed. Sally Haslanger

51. Review of Miranda Fricker, *Epistemic Injustice: Power and the Ethics of Knowing*, *Hypatia* 25 (2010) 459-464.
52. Review of Terry Eagleton, *Evil*, for the *Times Literary Supplement*, Sep 2011.
53. Review of Michael Rosen, *Dignity*, for the *Times Literary Supplement*, Aug 2012.
54. Invited statement of testimony July 2012 to *Leveson Inquiry: Culture, Practice and Ethics of the Press*.
55. 'The Disappearing Women', in *The Stone* series on 'Women in Philosophy', *New York Times* 4 Sep 2013.
56. 'Speech Acts and the Leveson Inquiry into Media Ethics', *APA Newsletter on Philosophy and Law*, Special Issue on Catharine MacKinnon (forthcoming).
57. 'Hate Speech and the Epistemology of Justice', Review of Jeremy Waldron, *The Harm in Hate Speech*, for *Philosophy and Criminology* (forthcoming).

*In progress*

'Empathy and Imagining *De Se*', versions presented at Institut Jean Nicod, CNRS Paris; Geneva; Cambridge Moral Sciences Club; MIT; Leeds; Bristol; Reading.

'Love, Death and Self-Alienation', presented at APA Central Division at Mark Johnston's 'Author Meets Critics' session on *Surviving Death*.

'Fighting for Words', about speaker handicaps in dynamics of conversation, presented at three Humanities Council lectures given at Princeton, Fall 2012.

'Leaky Quotes', about 'leakage' of slurring content from insulating devices (quotations, fictions); presented at Princeton Humanities Council lectures 2012.

'Moral Realism and the Plasticity of Mind', about realism and cognitive penetration of perception; UNC Workshop in Meta-ethics, December 2012.

'The Accommodation of Authority', about speaker authority adjusting in ways that conform to Lewisian rules of accommodation.

'The Authority of Hate Speech', about the authority hate speech acquires, in formal and informal ways (conference on Analytic Legal Philosophy, Oxford, May 2014).

**Conference presentations, public lectures, colloquia**

- 2015 (Planned) John Locke Lectures, University of Oxford (invited 2011)
- 2014 'The Authority of Hate Speech', Analytical Legal Philosophy Conference, Chair John Gardner, Faculty of Law, Oxford.
- 2014 'Matter and Monadology', Conference: Kant and the Laws of Physics, Chair Angela Breitenbach, Kings College, University of Cambridge.
- 2013-14 University of Cambridge, various colloquia: CamPOS, Cambridge Philosophy of Science ('Generics and Social Kinds'); 'Serious Metaphysics' ('Moral

- Realism and the Plasticity of Mind’); Women in Philosophy (‘Gender and Generic Speech Acts’); International Women’s Day event, Centre for Equality and Diversity (‘Speaking with Authority’); address to new students, Newnham College (‘Speaking with Authority’); Cambridge Forum for Legal and Political Philosophy (‘The Authority of Hate Speech’).
- 2014 Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris. ‘Ignorance of things in themselves’, Graduate Seminar Prof. Paul Clavier, ‘Kant et ses lecteurs Anglo-Saxons’.
- 2014 Dorothy Edgington Lectures: ‘I. Speech Acts and Epithets’, ‘II. Speech Acts and Generics’, Birkbeck College, University of London.
- 2013 ‘Speech Acts, Hate Speech and Accommodation’, Conference: New Work on Speech Acts, Columbia University, New York.
- 2013 ‘Speech Acts and Pornography? Scope, Limits, New Directions’, Conference: Feminism and Pornography, Humboldt, Berlin, Chair Mari Mikkola.
- 2013 ‘Fighting for Words: Why Race and Gender Slurs are Hard to Answer’, Lewis-Taylor Lecture, University of Melbourne.
- 2013 ‘Reason and De De Imagination’, Conference: Moral Rationalism, University of Melbourne, Chair Tristram McPherson.
- 2013 ‘Dignity and Evil’, Tenth Annual Meeting of ENAKS (Eastern North American Kant Society), Brandeis, Chair Pablo Munchik.
- 2013 Philosophy Colloquia: Ohio State University; University of Buffalo.
- 2012 UNC Chapel Hill, Workshop on Meta-ethics, chair Geoffrey Sayre-McCord.
- 2012 Mohonk, NY. Women in Philosophy Work-in-Progress Retreat (cross-institutional 3-day workshop, to mentor and discuss work), chair Ruth Chang.
- 2012 Princeton University, Humanities Council Lectures; Whitney J. Oates Fellow in the Humanities Council (3-4 days, October).
- 2012 Princeton University, guest visitor to Mark Johnston and Gideon Rosen’s graduate seminar, ‘Metaphysics’.
- 2012 Paris, Sorbonne, featured speaker, ‘International Workshop on Speech Acts, Gender, Feminism’, Programme politique scientifique: La justesse, Chair Sandra Laugier.
- 2012 University of Sheffield. Annual ‘Women in the History of Philosophy’ lecture: ‘Maria Herbert: Philosopher or Deluded Dreamer?’
- 2012 University of Cambridge. Speaker at seven venues: Moral Sciences Club, ‘Serious Metaphysics’, ‘Philosopher Kings’ at Kings College, Cambridge Political Philosophy Seminar, Feminist Philosophy Reading Group, Women and Philosophy Reading Group, Cambridge Labour Club Panel.
- 2012 Philosophy Colloquia: Universities of Bristol, Reading, and Leeds.

- 2012 Washington University, St. Louis. Visitor to National Endowment of the Humanities Summer Seminar ‘Liberty, Equality and Justice’, chairs Andrew Altman and Kit Wellman.
- 2011 Harvard Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy, ‘Contingency and Humility: Lessons from Kant’s 1755 *Nova Dilucidatio*’
- 2011 Harvard University, Radcliffe, invited participant, interdisciplinary workshop (Psychology and Philosophy) ‘Cognitive Penetration’, Chair Susanna Siegel.
- 2011 Central Division American Philosophical Association Meeting, Minneapolis; Critic at ‘Author-Meets-Critics: Mark Johnston, *Surviving Death*’
- 2011 Chair and organizer, symposium, “‘Women’s Studies’: What’s in a Name?’, sponsored by MIT and Graduate Consortium of Women’s Studies.
- 2011 Birkbeck College, University of London, invited speaker, conference in honour of Jennifer Hornsby.
- 2011 University of Edinburgh, Plenary speaker, conference ‘Objectification in Ethics and Aesthetics’.
- 2011 Sydney, Australia, invited participant, conference ‘Expressivism in Ethics’.
- 2011 Participant and founding member, Women in Philosophy Taskforce Retreat (cross-institutional, hosted by MIT).
- 2011 Department of Philosophy, Cornell University, ‘Could it be Worth Thinking Again about Kant on Sex and Marriage?’, invited speaker, conference in honour of Barbara Herman.
- 2011 Department of Philosophy, Harvard University, ‘Progress in the History of Philosophy’, invited speaker, conference on ‘Progress in Philosophy’, Chair David Chalmers.
- 2011 Kennedy School, Harvard University, invited speaker, symposium on Michael Rosen’s *Dignity*.
- 2011 Boston University, panelist (with Nancy Bauer) for cross-institutional conference on ‘The Analytic/Continental Philosophy Divide’.
- 2011 Yale, New Haven, panelist, ‘Self Regulation’, interdisciplinary Psychology-Philosophy conference, Chair Tamar Gendler.
- 2011 University of North Carolina, invited participant, workshop on ‘Reasons’, chair Geoff Sayre McCord.
- 2011 Stanford University, Philosophy Colloquium.
- 2010 Institut Jean Nicod, CNRS, Paris; joint MIT-IJN, second conference on ‘Self-locating attitudes’, chairs Francois Recanati, Marie Guillot, invited speaker.
- 2010 Philosophy Colloquia: University of Geneva, and University of Kentucky.

- 2010 Hebrew University Law School, Jerusalem, Symposium: *Sexual Solipsism: Philosophical Essays on Pornography and Objectification*, chair Alon Harel (later published in *Jerusalem Review of Legal Studies*).
- 2010 American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, Boston, author at 'Author Meets Critics: Langton, *Sexual Solipsism*'.
- 2010 Princeton University, Conference: Connections between Moral and Political Philosophy, Chair Philip Pettit.
- 2010 Cambridge Round Table on Science and Religion, Harvard University, debate against William Lane Craig, 'Can you be Good without God?'
- 2010 MIT and Harvard, participant in, co-organizer of, cross-institutional workshop on 'Generics and Bias' (held at MIT)
- 2010 NYU Philosophy, invited speaker, Conference on History of Modality, Chairs Beatrice Longuenesse and Dan Garber.
- 2009 NYU Law School, invited participant, Workshop on Hate Speech, Chair Jeremy Waldron
- 2009 University of Melbourne, Australasian Association of Philosophy National Conference, Keynote Address
- 2009 Vancouver, Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, invited panelist, 'Feminism and Philosophy of Language'
- 2009 Philosophy Colloquia: Yale University, Wesleyan University, Queens University Ontario.
- 2009 MIT-Institut Jean Nicod (CNRS, Paris) first joint conference on 'Self-locating attitudes', chairs Alex Byrne, Marie Guillot; respondent to Marcus Kneer.
- 2008 Baltimore, American Philosophical Association Eastern Division, invited panelist, 'Pentagram of Love', chair Ruth Chang; North American Kant Society meeting, response to Bryan Hall.
- 2008 Philosophy Colloquia: NYU, Yale University, University of Arizona, McGill University.
- 2008 University of Oxford: invited speaker at Political Theory Workshop; Center for the Study of Social Justice; David Charles Reading Group.
- 2008 University of Oslo, invited participant, Round Table on 'Language and Law', Chair Scott Soames.
- 2008 Philosophy Colloquia: University of Bristol, University of Edinburgh.
- 2007 Princeton University, Political Philosophy Colloquium.
- 2007-8 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Invited participant, interdisciplinary Mellon-funded Working Group, 'Understanding Love through Philosophy, Film and Fiction', three meetings, chair Susan Wolf
- 2007 Harvard University, Department of Government Colloquium.

- 2007 Philosophy Colloquia: University of Melbourne, Princeton University.
- 2006 University of California at Berkeley, Law School, Kadish Lecture to the Workshop in Law, Philosophy and Political Theory.
- 2006 Princeton University, guest visitor to Michael Smith's graduate seminar, 'Systematic Ethics: Themes from Velleman, Herman and Langton'.
- 2006 Tufts University, Philosophy Colloquium.
- 2006 Boston, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, panelist, Symposium on pornography.
- 2005 Safra Center for Ethics, Kennedy School, Harvard University, public lecture.
- 2004 University Oxford, Political Theory Colloquium, invited speaker.
- 2004 University of Glasgow, Gifford Public Lecture.
- 2003 Oxford University, Keynote speaker, Conference 'Political Thought'.
- 2003 University of Cambridge, History and Philosophy of Science Colloquium, Chair Peter Lipton.
- 2003 Columbia University, Center for Law and Philosophy, The Annual Lecture in Law and Philosophy, invited speaker.
- 2003 Duke University, panelist, workshop on 'Intrinsic Value', Chair David Wong.
- 2003 Australian National University, Research School of Social Science; conference in honour of Philip Pettit, chair Michael Smith, invited speaker.
- 2003 Sydney Law School, Australian Society for Legal Philosophy, invited speaker.
- 2003 University of Oxford, Keynote Address, Oxford Postgraduate Philosophy Conference.
- 2002 University of Texas, Austin, invited speaker at University of Austin at Texas Law School, Department of Philosophy, and Women's Studies Program.
- 2002 University of Edinburgh, Inaugural Lecture as Professor of Moral Philosophy.
- 2002 University of Oxford, Response (with Timothy Williamson) to David Lewis's Gareth Evans Memorial Lecture, 'Ramseyan Humility' (posthumously presented by Stephanie Lewis)
- 2002 University of Oxford, Royal Institute of Philosophy Conference on Action and Agency, invited speaker.
- 2001 Philosophy Colloquia: at MIT, Yale University, Princeton University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Stirling, University of St Andrews, Dartmouth College.
- 2001 University of Edinburgh Law School, invited panelist, Conference 'Equality and the Law'.
- 2001 Minneapolis, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, invited speaker, North American Kant Society.

- 2000 University of St. Andrews, workshop 'Kant's Ethics', invited speaker.
- 2000 University of Oxford, invited speaker, Oxford Philosophical Society.
- 1999 University of Cambridge, invited speaker, Cambridge Moral Sciences Club.
- 1999 University of Reading, Conference 'Kant and Strawson', UK Kant Society, invited speaker.
- 1999 University of London, Aristotelian Society, invited speaker.
- 1999 University of Oxford, Conference of the UK Kant Society, invited speaker.
- 1998 University of Edinburgh, Scots Philosophical Club, invited speaker.
- 1998 Ballarat, Australian Catholic University, Conference 'More things in heaven and earth', invited speaker, Chair Rai Gaita.
- 1997 University of Sydney, Philosophy, Conference 'Hume and Contemporary Pragmatism', response to Blackburn, Chair Huw Price.
- 1996 University of Queensland, Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, co-presented co-authored paper with David Lewis.
- 1996 Australian National University, Philosophy, Conference 'Feminist Perspectives on Autonomy and Agency', invited speaker.
- 1996 Adelaide, Liberty Foundation Conference 'Liberty and Power in Four Shakespeare Plays', invited participant.
- 1996 Dartmouth College, Conference 'Freedom of Speech', invited speaker.
- 1995 Getty Center, Santa Monica, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, UCLA, Conference 'Censorship and Silencing', invited speaker, Chair Robert Post.
- 1995 Monash University, Philosophy, Conference 'Kantianism, Consequentialism, Virtue Theory', organizer and speaker.
- 1995 Armidale, Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference, invited speaker.
- 1994 Australian National University, Conference 'Kant and Philosophical Theories of Human Nature', invited speaker.
- 1993 Monash University, Philosophy, Conference 'Contemporary Political Philosophy', invited speaker.
- 1993 Australian National University, Research School of Social Sciences, Conference 'Themes from Wittgenstein', invited speaker.
- 1993 Australian National University, Philosophy and Law, Conference 'Freedom of Communication in Australia', invited speaker.
- 1993 Monash University, Philosophy, Conference 'New Directions in Epistemology', invited speaker.
- 1993 Adelaide, Liberty Foundation Conference 'Oakeshott', invited participant.

- 1992 Brisbane, AAP Conference ‘Feminism and Reason’, speaker and organizer.
- 1992 Australian National University, Liberty Foundation Conference, ‘Liberty and the Universities’, invited participant.
- 1992 University of Delhi, Department of Philosophy Colloquium.
- 1992 University of Delhi, Department of Sociology Colloquium.
- 1991 Monash University, Conference ‘Value in Action’, invited speaker.
- 1992 University of Melbourne, Law School, Conference ‘Liberalism and its Critics’, invited speaker.
- 1990 University of Sydney, AAP Conference, invited speaker.

**Professional initiatives and responsibilities**

- 2001 UK Research Assessment Exercise, University of Edinburgh. Leadership on hiring; on organization and drafting of Research Assessment Exercise Report. The Philosophy Department at Edinburgh rose from 3 to the highest ranking of 5\* (equal then to Oxford and Cambridge) in the 2001 assessment round.
- 2000-2 UK Leverhulme Trust Panel, assessing candidates for Leverhulme Prize Fellowships in Philosophy and Ethics.
- 2009-10 MIT Institute Ad Hoc Committee on Managing Potential Conflict of Interest
- 2005-12 Founder (with Richard Holton), Chair, and Organizer of MIT Philosophy Work in Progress Seminar (weekly, for faculty and graduate students).
- 2008-12 MIT Women’s and Gender Studies Steering Committee.
- 2010-12 MIT ‘Walk the Talk’ Campus Energy Task-force.
- 2009-11 Co-Chair, Graduate Consortium of Women’s Studies, a cross-disciplinary, cross-institutional collaboration hosted by MIT which fosters intellectual community and offers graduate classes in Women’s Studies in Boston area.
- 2011 Founding member, Women in Philosophy Task Force, which ‘works to coordinate initiatives and intensify efforts to advance women in philosophy’ (started by Sally Haslanger).
- 2008-12 Co-host (with Sally Haslanger and MIT graduate students), Workshop on Gender and Philosophy, cross-institutional Work in Progress seminar.
- 2010-12 MIT Undergraduate Curriculum Development, Sub-committee on the Humanities and Social Sciences Requirement.
- 2012 External Review Committee for Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan, with Gideon Rosen, Don Garrett, Geoffrey Sayre-McCord.
- 2010-13 Participant, ‘Implicit Bias and Philosophy International Research Project’ based at Sheffield.

- 2012- International Advisory Board, EIDYN, The Edinburgh Centre for Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind and Normativity.
- 2012- Associate Editor, *Inquiry*.
- 2013- Lead for pilot project, ‘Gender Equality Charter Mark’, a proposed extension to Humanities subjects of Athena SWAN (women in science) improvement and recognition programme for gender equality. Team leader for Philosophy Faculty submission, working with other team members (administrators and faculty) to help research and draft report and action plan.

## Teaching

At Monash, Sheffield, Edinburgh, MIT, and/or Cambridge

### *Undergraduate*

Ethics  
 Political Philosophy  
 Philosophy of Law  
 Feminist Philosophy  
 History of Philosophy  
 Topics in Indian Philosophy  
 Philosophy of Mind  
 Philosophy of Religion

### *Graduate*

Ethics  
 Social and Political Philosophy  
 Foundations of Analytic Philosophy  
 Feminist Philosophy  
 History of Philosophy  
 Metaphysics  
 Philosophy of Language  
 Philosophy of Religion

### *Collaborative teaching ventures*

MPhil Seminar, Cambridge University, co-teaching with Prof. Huw Price 2013; with Prof. Richard Holton, 2014

Fall semester of ‘Proseminar’, taught most years 2004-12 at MIT, with Agustin Rayo, Alex Byrne, or Roger White, on foundations of Analytic Philosophy, MIT’s intensive year-long 6 hours-per-week graduate seminar for incoming students

‘Conversation, Common Ground, and Pragmatics’, with Mark Richard, a joint Harvard and MIT graduate seminar, Spring 2013

‘Philosophy of Religion’, with Alex Byrne, MIT graduate seminar, 2011

‘Political Philosophy’, with Sally Haslanger, MIT graduate seminar, 2010

‘Philosophy of Law’, with Julia Markovits, MIT undergraduate, Spring 2013

‘Ethical Choices in Literature’, with Ruth Perry, MIT Literature, undergraduate, 2011

‘Topics in Indian Philosophy’, with Richard Holton, Monash undergraduate, 1993-6

*PhD areas supervised at MIT*

Ethics (Normative and Applied), Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Law, Feminist Philosophy, History of Philosophy (Plato, Kant), Metaphysics, Epistemology.

**Media and Outreach**

- 2014 Prospect Magazine, 'World Thinkers 2014', [http://www.prospectmagazine.co.uk/world-thinkers/world-thinkers-2014-rae-langton/#.U2tyF\\_blf1t](http://www.prospectmagazine.co.uk/world-thinkers/world-thinkers-2014-rae-langton/#.U2tyF_blf1t)
- 2006-13 Introductory class, 'Classics of Western Philosophy', made available to public on MIT's Open Course Ware, had 86,000 visits as of 10 January 2013.  
<http://ocw.mit.edu/courses/linguistics-and-philosophy/24-01-classics-in-western-philosophy-spring-2006/>
- 2013 'The Disappearing Women', in The Stone series on Women in Philosophy, *New York Times* 4 Sep 2013.  
<http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/09/04/the-disappearing-women/>
- 2012 Invited testimony *Leveson Inquiry: Culture, Practice and Ethics of the Press*.  
<http://www.levesoninquiry.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Submission-from-Professor-Rae-Langton.pdf>
- 2012 *Philosophy Bites*, 'Rae Langton on Hate Speech', interview Nigel Warburton.  
<http://philosophybites.com/2012/07/rae-langton-on-hate-speech.html>
- 2009 *Philosophy Talk*, 'Pornography', interview by John Perry and Ken Taylor.  
<http://www.philosophytalk.org/shows/pornography-0>
- 1994 'The Good Life', interview by Steven Tudor of Rae Langton and Rai Gaita, *Eureka Street* 4 (1994), 38-45.
- 1995-8 Interviewed three times on National Australian Broadcasting Commission Radio, including Geraldine Doogue's *Life Matters*; topics: Kant and Maria Herbert, free speech, pornography, silencing.

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