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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Philosophy & History of Medicine

AREAS OF COMPETENCE:

Philosophy & History of Science; Philosophy and History of Biology; Ethics; Philosophy of Mind

EMPLOYMENT

- 2018-2019 *Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1*, France
Fixed term lecturer in philosophy at the Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Science.
- 2017-2018 *Sorbonne Université, Paris*, France
Research Fellow. Co-leader on the project PARE.
Project: “Illness & Medical Collections: Towards an anatomy of suffering”

EDUCATION

- 2014-2019 *Sorbonne Université, Paris*, France
PH.D. in Philosophy.
Dissertation: “The Poverty of Medical Humanism: a critique of narrative medicine and the phenomenology of medicine”
Supervisor: Daniel Andler.
Examiners: Maël Lemoine, Denis Forest, Elodie Giroux, Isabelle Drouet, Miriam Solomon.
- 2019 *INSEAD, Fontainebleau*, France
Business Foundation Certificate: a MBA style certificate for PhDs.
- Fall 2016 *Temple University, Philadelphia*, USA
Visiting research scholar.
Supervisor: Miriam Solomon.
- 2013-2014 *Université Paris-Sorbonne, Université Panthéon-Sorbonne Paris 1, École Normale Supérieure, and Université Paris-Diderot*, France
MA in Philosophy of Science, jointly awarded by four universities (with a distinction).
Dissertation: “Pain and Intentionality: representationalism and the problem of pain”
Supervisors: Daniel Andler and Pascal Ludwig.
- 2012-2013 *University of Kent, Canterbury*, United Kingdom
MA in Philosophy, (with a distinction).
Dissertation: “Georges Canguilhem’s normativism: beyond reductionism and relativism”
Supervisor: David Corfield.

DISSERTATION

My dissertation is a critical appraisal of contemporary attempts at giving a philosophical basis to the claim that medicine is in need of “more humanism”. I argue that two prominent medical “humanistic” approaches today – narrative medicine and phenomenology of medicine – fail to give a convincing account of the concept of humanism. **I argue that humanism should be seek in health systems and public health instead.** Both narrative medicine and phenomenology of illness are reactions against what they call the biomedical model, yet they fail to provide either a coherent account or a convincing criticism of that model, whether they define it as an instance of science (as does narrative medicine) or as a product of naturalism (as does phenomenology of medicine). Moreover, both approaches founder on issues in their own terms. Narrative medicine is built on problematical theses, notably the narrativity thesis and the singularity of subjective experiences thesis. Meanwhile, phenomenology of medicine runs into meta-philosophical obstacles regarding the definition of phenomenology itself, notably by reducing it to the study of lived or psychological experience. Finally, I criticise what brings together their humanistic strategy and which consists in putting empathy at the centre of their definition of humanism. By way of conclusion, I then sketch an alternative path for medical humanism, focused on issues of **justice and access in health systems.**

PUBLICATIONS

Edition Co-editor of a special issue on philosophy of medicine in the French philosophy journal *Archives de Philosophie*. Forthcoming in September 2020.

Articles Ferry-Danini, *forthcoming*, “Empathie ou compassion ? Pour un nouvel humanisme médical” [Empathy or compassion? A case for a new kind of medical humanism] in a special issue in *Archives de Philosophie*.

Ferry-Danini, *forthcoming*, “La singularité des récits des patients : un écueil pour la médecine narrative ?” [The singularity of patients’ stories: a problem for narrative medicine] in *Humanités médicales : fictions, représentations, témoignages*. Éditions Honoré Champion, Paris.

Ferry-Danini, *forthcoming*, “De la collecte à la collection : le cas croisé de la collection Dupuytren et de la Société d’anatomie de Paris au XIXe siècle” [From collecting to storing: the case of the Dupuytren Collection and the Parisian Anatomy Society in the 19th century] in *La collection Dupuytren, entre art et science*, directed by Claire Crignon, Julie Cheminaud and Danielle Seilhean, Presses Universitaires de la Sorbonne, Paris.

Ferry-Danini, *forthcoming*, “Quel rôle pour l’imaginaire dans la collecte scientifique ? L’exemple de la collection Dupuytren” [Imagination in scientific collecting practices: the case of the Dupuytren collection] in the collective work “Sciences, Imagination, Imaginaires,” edited by Céline Cheric and Jean-Claude Dupont.

Ferry-Danini, 2019, “Should the phenomenological approaches to illness really be wary of naturalism?,” *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science Part C: Studies in History and Philosophy of Biological and Biomedical Sciences*, Volume 73, February 2019, Pages 10-18.

Ferry-Danini, 2018, “A new path for humanistic medicine,” *Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics*, Volume 39, Issue 1, pp 57–77.

- Reviews
- Drouet, I., Ferry-Danini, J., Paternotte, C., 2019, “Book review: Jacob Stegenga, *Medical Nihilism*, 2018, Oxford University Press,” in *Lato Sensu, Revue de la Société de Philosophie des Sciences*, Vol 6, N°1, pp 15-19.
- Ferry-Danini, “Review of the Handbook of Philosophy of Medicine (Springer), Schramme, Edwards” in *Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice*, 2017, Volume 23, Issue 5, p. 1087-1089.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor

- 2018-2019 at Université Lyon 1 Claude Bernard (at the medical and science departments):
 Introduction to philosophy of medicine and epistemology (Co-creation of the syllabus)
 Reflexions on society and medicine: bias and ignorance in medical sciences (Co-creation of the syllabus)
 Introduction to anthropological investigation and writing.
 Methodology courses in philosophical writing.
 Role playing courses for medical students.
Course director:
 Ethical investigation of sciences: teaching students to investigate scientific practices.
- Classes usually are comprised of 25 and 40 students. Teaching is often done in pairs (humanities instructor and medical professional) and is always interactive.*
- Graduate student’s supervision:
 Dissertation topic: “The ethical implications associated with rare and orphan diseases”
- 2017-2018 Guest lecturer: Philosophy reflections on health innovations, at Sorbonne Université (at the science department, previously known as Université Pierre et Marie Curie):
20 to 30 undergraduate students in physics, mathematics, biology and philosophy.
- 2016-2017 Guest lecturer: Introduction to philosophy of medicine for science degree students, at Sorbonne Université:
15 to 25 undergraduate students in physics, mathematics, biology and philosophy.
- Guest lecturer: Introduction to philosophy of medicine and philosophy of biology, at Institut de Psychologie de Boulogne, Université Paris-Descartes, France:
20 graduate students in psychology. Mandatory course for enrolling in a PhD in psychology.
- 2013-2014 Methodology tutoring for small groups of students at Sorbonne Université, Paris, France.

INVITED PAPERS

- Forthcoming “*Faut-il vraiment plus d’empathie en médecine ?*” [Do we really need more empathy in medicine?] at Université Clermont Auvergne at the *Philosophy seminar in the hospital*, organised by Samuel Lépine. Clermont-Ferrand, France.

- 2019 “Do we really need more empathy in medicine?” at the conference *Emotions in the therapeutic relationship*, at Sorbonne Université, organised by Claire Crignon and Julia Tinland.
- 2018 “*Quel rôle pour l’imaginaire dans la collecte scientifique ? L’exemple de la collection Dupuytren*” [Imagination in scientific collecting practices: the case of the Dupuytren collection] at the workshop “Sciences, Imagination, Imaginaires,” organised by Céline Cherici at Université Jules Verne Picardie, intended for a public of graduate students in philosophy.
- “*Médecine, narration et décision : panorama critique de la médecine narrative*” [Medicine, narration and decisions: a critical appraisal of narrative medicine] two hours lecture at the monthly colloquium for health professionals, medicine professors and doctors in training, Séminaire santé médecine décision organised in Sorbonne Université by François Athané.
- 2018 “*De la collecte à la collection. Histoire et épistémologie de la collection d’anatomie-pathologie*” [From storing to collecting. History and epistemology of collecting in anatomy-pathology] with Claire Crignon, at the international conference “Fictions, représentations, témoignages” organised by Alain Schaffner at Université Paris Cité, France.
- 2016 and 2017 “*Qu’est-ce qu’un bon médecin ? Qu’est-ce qu’un bon patient ?*” [What does being a good doctor mean? What does being a good patient mean?], two hours lecture for health professionals, organised by Corinne Isnard Bagnis at the Medical Faculty at Sorbonne Université, Paris, France, with 35 to 40 health professionals. Two years in a row.
- 2016 “*Explorer les limites de la phénoménologie de la médecine*” [The limits of phenomenology of medicine] at the colloquium organised by the philosophy department at Université Rennes-1, France.
- 2015 “*Les critiques du modèle biomédical en question*” [The disapproval of the biomedical model in question] at the graduate students seminar “*Philo’Doctes*” at Sorbonne Université.
- 2014 “*Le représentationalisme et le problème de la douleur*” [Representationalism and the problem of pain] invited by François Athané to present at a workshop on *Pain, emotions and decisions*, intended for medical students, at Université Paris-Sorbonne, France.

SELECTED PAPERS

- 2018 “Epistemological reflexions on collecting in medicine: What can we learn from the practices of a 19th century Parisian anatomy society?”, presented at the SPSP Congress in Ghent, Belgium (2018, June & July).
I presented a French version of the talk at the SPS (French Society of Philosophy of Science) Congress in Nantes in August as well.
- “Phenomenology in phenomenological approaches to illness: a metaphilosophical conundrum,” a paper presented at the Congress SHESVIE in Lausanne, Switzerland (2018, March).

“La collection d’anatomie Dupuytren: un objet d’étude pour les humanités médicales ?” [The Dupuytren anatomy collection: a case study for medical humanities?] with Claire Crignon at the conference *Qui a peur des humanités médicales ?* held at Sorbonne Université in June.

2017 “A response to anti-naturalism in the phenomenology of medicine,” paper presented at the 2017 Biennale conference of the European Philosophy of Science Association, University of Exeter, United Kingdom (2017, September).

“Toward a dialogue between phenomenology of medicine and naturalism,” paper presented at the 7th Biennale of the Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable, University of Toronto, Canada (2017, June).

2016 “Lost in translation: The problem of watered-down phenomenology in the philosophy of medicine,” at the Postgraduate Medical Humanities Conference, University of Exeter, United Kingdom (2016, juillet).

“Explorer les limites de la phénoménologie de la médecine” [The limits of phenomenology of medicine] at the French SPS Congress at University of Lausanne, Switzerland (2016, juillet).

“For an outcomes-oriented humanistic medicine,” paper presented at the conference Medical knowledge in a social world at the University of Irvine, United States (2016, March).

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Between 2016 and 2018, I was the president of the philosophy PhD students association in Sorbonne Université, named “[Philo’Doctes](#).”

We organise weekly graduate seminars, where PhD students present their work in a conference-like setting.

I co-organised the graduate seminar from 2014 to 2018.

CONFERENCE ORGANISING

2017-2018 *Workshops (Paris):*
“Medical collections & illnesses” (2017, October)
“Art, beauty and anatomic pathology” (2018, January)
“Collecting human remains: ethical and legal implications” (2018, March)
International conference (Paris):
“Who’s afraid of medical humanities ?” (2018, June).

2017 *International conference organised by the graduate students organisation “Philo’Doctes”:*
“Silence and language” (2017, May) (Paris)

2016-2017 Member of the RDIPS conference committee (*International graduate conference in the philosophy of science*, which is supported by the *French Society for the Philosophy of Science*).
“RDIPS” in Paris in 2016.
“RDIPS” in Grenoble in 2017.

SERVICE FOR THE PROFESSION

- 2019 Reviewing for the French philosophy journal *Archives de Philosophie*.
2017 Reviewing for the conference “Silence and Language” organised by the graduate organisation *Philo’Doctes*.

WEBMASTER & COMMUNICATION

- 2019 Communication officer and webmaster at Sorbonne Université for the website of the [Center for Medical Humanities](#).
2014-2018 Webmaster for the *Philo’Doctes*’s website and Facebook’s page.
2017-2018 Webmaster and content creator for the project Paré [research blog](#) (ISSN 2609-7311).

HONOURS & GRANTS

- 2019 Sorbonne University Business Foundation Certificate Fellowship at INSEAD.
Interviewed for a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Exeter.
Interviewed for a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Lorraine.
Interviewed for a postdoctoral fellowship at the Erasmus University.
2014 Fully funded three-year PhD position in Université Paris-Sorbonne (2014).
2014 Fully funded PhD fellowship from the University of Kent at Canterbury (2014), which I eventually did not take up.

OUTREACH & MEDIA

- 2018 Interview in the Bioviews podcast: <https://bioviewspodcast.com/2018/08/19/e04-understanding-illness-reconciling-naturalism-with-humanism-juliette-ferry-danini/> about my paper “Should phenomenological approaches to illness really be wary of naturalism?” (*Studies Part C*).
2017-2019 I gave a number of other interviews in the French media about epistemological and ethical issues related to medicine.

ORGANISATION MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the graduate organisation *Philo’Doctes* (2014-2018).
Member of the French Society for Philosophy of Science (2017-2019).
Member of the European Society for Philosophy of Science (2017-2018).