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PRESENT POSITION

I am currently pursuing a PhD in Philosophy at The University of Melbourne, under the supervision of Greg Restall.

ACADEMIC INTERESTS

I am working within the field of Philosophy of Information and looking at definitions of information and how the concept of information can be applied to traditional philosophical issues in semantics and epistemology. At <http://theinformationalturn.net> you can find a new blog that I run which covers my academic research.

[My honours thesis](#) looked at [Game-Theoretical Semantics](#) and [Independence-Friendly Quantified Modal Logic](#). More generally, areas of philosophy that I am interested in include Formal Logic, Philosophical Logic, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind and Philosophy of Science.

TERTIARY EDUCATION

2000-2004, 2006 - University of Melbourne

I hold a Bachelor of Arts & Sciences degree with honours from the University of Melbourne. I majored in both computer science and philosophy and completed my honours in philosophy. Consult http://simondalfonso.id.au/resume.php#subjects_studied for a list of subjects I did. A transcript of my results can be viewed here:

<http://simondalfonso.id.au/documents/resume/transcript.html>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2010,2011 – Tutor for 1st year Philosophy subject 'Philosophy: The Big Questions' (<https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/161-108>)

- 2003 – I was a mentor in the Philosophy Study Group Program at University of Melbourne. This program was a student initiative, aimed at assisting first-year philosophy students with the demands they face when starting their university studies. I involved myself in the program as a mentor for the subject [Critical Thinking: The Art of Reasoning \(161-104\)](#). See [here](#) for more.

AWARDS AND HONOURS

- I was awarded the [Laurie Prize for Honours in Philosophy, 2006](#). This prize is awarded to the candidate who has been placed second in the first class honours list in the final year of the pure honours course in Philosophy for the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the University of Melbourne

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the Australasian Association of Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

- "On Quantifying Semantic Information". *Information*. 2011; 2(1):61-101.
- "Supplementing Belief Revision for The Aim of Truthlikeness", *The Reasoner*, September 2011

BOOK REVIEWS

- "Review of 'Information: A Very Short Introduction'" *Essays in Philosophy*: Vol. 11: Iss. 2, Article 10. July 2010. Available at: <http://commons.pacificu.edu/eip/vol11/iss2/10>

TALKS GIVEN

- *Conceptions of Information within Philosophy* (The Difference that Makes a Difference, Open University Milton Keynes, 2011)
- *Agent-Relative Informativeness: Combining Truthlikeness Semantic Information Measures with Belief Revision* (University of Melbourne Logic Seminar Series, April 8th 2011)

- *A Logic for Agent-Oriented Relevance* (University of Melbourne Logic Seminar Series, September 17th 2010)
- *Knowledge and Information* (University of Melbourne Philosophy Postgraduate Seminar Series, August 31st 2010)
- *An Analysis of Informational Relevance* (Australasian Association of Logic Conference, 2nd July 2010)
- *Knowledge and its Value: Some Reasons Why Knowledge Is More Valuable Than True Belief* (University of Melbourne Philosophy Postgraduate Seminar Series, March 9th 2010)
- *The Logic of Being Misinformed* (University of Melbourne Logic Seminar Series, April 16th 2010)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Referee for 'Philosophy & Technology' journal (<http://www.springer.com/13347>)
- Editor of the Philosophy of Information section at philpapers.org:
<http://philpapers.org/browse/philosophy-of-information>

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

For a list of my employment engagements outside of academia consult
<http://simondalfonso.id.au/resume.php>

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