

Curriculum Vitae

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I. RECORD

Name Espen Dyrnes Stabell
Degree PhD
Date of birth 17.09.1979

Current positions

- (1) Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, Western Norway University of Applied Sciences (HVL). January 2023–present.
- (2) Associate Professor II, NTNU Business School. Starting July 2023.
- (3) Editorial Assistant, *Norsk Filosofisk Tidsskrift* (Norwegian Journal of Philosophy). October 2022–present.

Previous work experience

September 2022–December 2022	Researcher (100%), Programme for Applied Ethics, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)
August 2020–December 2022	Lecturer (faglærer), NTNU Business School
September 2019–May 2022	Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU
January–April 2022	Fulbright Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar at The Ethics Institute, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts, USA
January 2019–June 2019	Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU
March 2017–May 2017	Visiting Scholar at W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
September 2015–March 2019	PhD Research Fellow, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU
January 2015–June 2015	University Teacher, Science communication (MNKOM), University of Oslo
July 2009–September 2015	Freelance journalist, writer, editor, copyeditor: <i>Morgenbladet</i> , <i>Klassekampen</i> , <i>Argument</i> , <i>Le Monde Diplomatique</i> (Norway), Gyldendal Publishing House.

Career breaks: 2011 and 2013: Paternal leave (x2).

Post-school education

- ◆ PhD, Philosophy, NTNU. 23.08.2019. Thesis: *Deep Sea Uncertainty: Studies in Environmental Ethics and Decision-Making*. Supervisors: Siri G. Carson (NTNU); Bjørn K. Myskja (NTNU); Daniel Steel (University of British Columbia).
- ◆ Practical-pedagogical education (PPU), Introductory course (10 course credits=one third semester), University of Oslo, fall 2011. Fagdidaktikk: RLE og Samfunnsfag.
- ◆ Sociology (30 course credits=one full semester), University of Oslo, spring 2011.
- ◆ MA, Philosophy, University of Oslo, 01.06.2009. Thesis: *Natur og bevissthet: Kritikk av den dualistiske naturforståelse*. Supervisor: Arne Johan Vetlesen (UiO).
- ◆ Erasmus Programme, Philosophy, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, August 2007–June 2008.
- ◆ BA, Philosophy, University of Oslo, 01.06.2006
- ◆ Psychology (60 course credits), University of Oslo, August 2002–June 2003.

II. RESEARCH

Research interests and activities

(a) Research interests:

My main interests are in ethics, including

applied ethics (especially environmental ethics and the ethics of technology)

normative ethics (the ethics of need, consequentialism, the consequentialism/deontology distinction, moral uncertainty),

axiology (conceptions of value, the formal structures of value),

decision theory (multiple criteria decision analysis, incommensurability, rational choice), and

metaethics (especially moral realism and the cognitivism/non-cognitivism debate).

I am also interested in

philosophy of economics (especially the normative aspects of economic theory, economic rationality, distributive justice and the interpretation of economic models), and

artificial intelligence (choice algorithms and rationality)

(b) Research visits abroad

(1) Northeastern University (USA). Fulbright Fellowship. January-April 2022. On invitation from Ronald Sandler.

(2) University of British Columbia (Canada). Research Grant NTNU. March-May 2017. On invitation from Daniel Steel.

(c) Invited talks

(1) Northeastern University: "Moral uncertainty: The two-level view". The Ethics Institute Speaker Series, Boston, Massachusetts, USA 11.03.2022.

(2) University of British Columbia: "The Precautionary Principle and Fair Distribution" (with Daniel Steel). W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, Vancouver, Canada 19.04.2017.

(3) NTNU: "Environmental ethics, economics, and sustainability". Guest lecture at Corporate Social Responsibility, MA course, Trondheim 10.11.2021

(4) NTNU: "Scientific uncertainty and the precautionary principle". Guest lecture at NARM (Natural Resources Management) 16.09.2016

(5) NTNU: "The Precautionary Principle and the Ethics of Risk". Guest lecture at Technology for a Good Society, MA course 08.09.2016.

(6) NTNU: "Ethical issues in deep-sea mining". Ocean Talks 28.04.2021

(7) NTNU: "Methods in Applied Ethics". Guest lecture at Bachelorseminar i Anvendt Etikk 10.02.2020

(8) Tekna Ung breakfast meeting: "The ethics of deep-sea mining". Trondheim 09.05.2019

(9) Vitenskapsteoretisk forum (Vitforum): "De harde valgenes filosofi". Trondheim 10.10.2018

(10) University of Oslo: "Ranciere og frigjøringsens logikk". Filosofisk Fredagsseminar 09.09.2011

(11) University of Oslo: "Hegels Differensskrift". Filosofisk Fredagsseminar 10.09.2010

(d) Conference contributions (selection):

(1) Swedish Congress of Philosophy 2022: "Needs and Moral Significance: The Transmission Principle". 11.06.2022.

(2) American Philosophical Association 2021 Eastern Division Meeting: "Why environmental philosophers should be 'buck-passers' about value". 15.01.2021.

(3) Institute for Futures Studies, Sweden: "Existence value and preference satisfaction". The Annual Stockholm Region Workshop on Economics and Philosophy. 05.09.2019.

(4) University of Oslo: "Hard environmental choices". Practical Philosophy Group Annual Workshop 11.10.2018.

(5) NTNU: "Incomparability and the case for problem-solving ethics". Methods in Applied Ethics. 19.04.2018.

(6) IEEE International Symposium on Ethics in Engineering, Science, and Technology: "Risk and Evaluative Uncertainty". Vancouver, Canada, 14.05.2016.

Publications

(a) Articles in peer-reviewed journals

- (1) Stabell, E. D. 2022. Why Environmental Philosophers Should Be ‘Buck-Passers’ about Value. *Environmental Ethics*. Online first January 19 2022: <https://doi.org/10.5840/enviroethics202211434>
- (2) Stabell, E. D. 2021. Arguments from Need in Natural Resource Debates. *Ethics, Policy and Environment*. Online first: DOI: 10.1080/21550085.2021.1906072
- (3) Stabell, E. D. 2021. Hard Environmental Choices: Comparability, Justification, and the Argument from Moral Identity. *Environmental Values*. Volum 30(1) s. 111-130.
- (4) Stabell, E. D. 2019. Existence Value, Preference Satisfaction, and the Ethics of Species Extinction. *Environmental Ethics*. Volume 41(2).
- (5) Stabell, E. D., Steel, D. 2018. Precaution and Fairness: A Framework for Distributing Costs of Protection from Environmental Risks. *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*; Volume 31.(1) s. 55-71 (2018).
- (6) Stabell, E. D. 2014. Responsibility: The first virtue of innovation? *Nordicum-Mediterraneum* vol. 9 nr. 4.

(b) Book reviews and commentaries in peer-reviewed journals

- (1) Sandler, Ronald, Stabell, Espen et al. 2022. Eric Katz on ‘De-Extinction’: Ontology, Value, Normativity. *Ethics, Policy and Environment*, Volume 25 Issue 2 (2022).
- (2) Stabell, E. D. 2021. Moral Uncertainty, W. MacAskill, K. Bykvist, and T. Ord, Oxford UP. *Journal of Applied Philosophy* vol. 38(3) s. 541-543.
- (3) Stabell, E. D. 2020. Land use quandaries. *Etikk i Praksis – Nordic Journal of Applied Ethics* vol 41(1).
- (4) Stabell, E. D. 2017. Constraints on the Precautionary Principle and the Problem of Uncertainty. *American Journal of Bioethics*; Volume 17.(3) s. 56-57.

(c) Conference proceedings (peer-reviewed)

- (1) Stabell, E. D. Evaluative Uncertainty in Ecosystem Assessment. In *2016 IEEE International Symposium on Ethics in Engineering, Science and Technology*.

(d) Other publications (editorials, popular writing, newspaper articles, student journals, etc.): > 25

Ongoing research

(a) Articles:

- (1) Morally significant needs: A relational account (under review)
- (2) Moral uncertainty: The two-level view (presented at the Ethics Institute Speaker Series, Northeastern University, 11.03.2022)
- (3) Moral uncertainty and moral commitment (presented at Practical Philosophy Group seminar, University of Oslo, 29.01.2019)
- (4) The concept of ‘unnecessary suffering’ in animal ethics (with Henrik Wathne) (presented at Animal ethics workshop, NTNU, 03.06.2022)
- (5) An algorithm for hard choices? (accepted for presentation at the Value incommensurability workshop, Lund University, June 2022 [postponed due to Covid]; presented at AI workshop, NTNU, 10.12.2021)
- (6) Preferentism: A (conditional) defence (working paper)
- (7) Justifying ‘Pollutor Pays’: A desert-based approach (working paper)

(b) Project development: Environmental Decisions under Non-Descriptive Uncertainty (ENDNON) – NTNU and the Institute for Future Studies (IFFS), Stockholm (in collaboration with Professor Krister Bykvist, Stockholm U and IFFS).

Project management

Project title: Ethical Aspects of Deep Sea Mining

Type: Postdoctoral project

Duration: 2 years 6 months

Funding: NTNU and the Fulbright Foundation

Grants

- (1) Fulbright Fellowship (2021). NOK 125 000
- (2) Research Grant, Faculty of Humanities, NTNU (2017). NOK 30 000

Referee responsibilities

Philosophia, De Ethica, Environmental Ethics

III. PEDAGOGICAL EXPERIENCE

Teaching

- ◆ Corporate responsibility and ethics. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU (fall 2022). Course co-ordinator and lecturer.
- ◆ Philosophy of science and ethics. NTNU Business College. Lecturer (fall 2020, fall 2021, fall 2022).
- ◆ Methods in ethics. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU. PhD course (spring 2020).
- ◆ Metaethics. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU. Course co-ordinator and lecturer (spring 2019).
- ◆ Applied ethics. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU. Teacher (spring 2019; fall 2018).
- ◆ Contemporary philosophy. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU. Lecturer (fall 2017).
- ◆ Environmental philosophy. Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, NTNU. Course co-ordinator and lecturer (spring 2017).
- ◆ Science journalism. University of Oslo. Teacher (spring 2015).

Supervising

Bachelor thesis in philosophy (spring 2017) – NTNU, IFR – Candidate: Axel Alvarez Orvik

External examiner

MA thesis, University of Oslo, 2021

IV. OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE/COMPETENCES

- (a) Editorial work
 - Co-Editor, *Etikk i Praksis – Nordic Journal of Applied Ethics* (2019–2023)
 - Editor for entry on ‘Environmental Philosophy’ at *Store Norske Leksikon* (Great Norwegian Encyclopedia) (in progress)
 - Co-editor in Chief at *Filosofisk supplement* (University of Oslo), June 2011 - March 2013
 - Research and news editor at *Salongen – nettstedsskrift for filosofi og idéhistorie*, January 2013–August 2015
- (b) Administrative experience
 - (1) Coordinator
 - Norwegian Practical Philosophy Network (NPPN), November 2020–present. Co-coordinator.
 - Research Group in Practical Philosophy, IFR, June 2021–present. Co-coordinator.
 - Workshop: Animal welfare: Ethics and politics, Trondheim, June 3 2022
 - Workshop: The Ethics of the COVID-19 Pandemic (online workshop), June 4-5 2021
 - Conference: Methods in Applied Ethics (conference), Trondheim, April 19-20 2018
 - (2) Position of trust
 - Board member of Nidarosdomens Jentekor (The Nidaros Cathedral Girl’s Choir) (August-December 2022)
 - Representative (deputy) for temporary employees in extended leading group, IFR, NTNU, 2019.
 - Judge at Norwegian National Philosophy Contest (Filosofi-NM), October 27–November 1 2015
- (c) Membership
 - Practical Philosophy Group, University of Oslo. Member.
 - Norwegian Practical Philosophy Network (NPPN). Coordinator.
 - Research Group in Practical Philosophy, IFR. Coordinator.
 - The Ethics Institute, Northeastern University (NU) (USA). April 2022–present. Affiliated researcher.
 - Environmental Philosophy Working Group (NU) (January–April 2022). Member.

American Philosophical Association (APA). International member.
International Society for Environmental Ethics (ISEE). Member.
International Society for Applied Philosophy (SAP). Member.

(d) Languages:

Norwegian (mother tongue)

English (excellent written and oral)

German (good written and oral)