

Pekka Syrjänen

Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Social Science, Epistemology

Areas of Competence

Ethics

Employment

Postdoctoral researcher	University of Helsinki	2023-
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Education

PhD, Philosophy	University of Helsinki	2023
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* Dissertation: The Epistemic Role of Prediction in Science (*pass with distinction*)

MA, Philosophy	University of Helsinki	2016
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* *GPA: 5.0*

(previous BA and MA in social science fields, 2010-2014)

Publications

‘Dimensions of predictive success’, <i>The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science</i>	<i>forthcoming</i>
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‘Novel prediction and the problem of low-quality accommodation’, <i>Synthese</i> , 202, 182	2023
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PhD Thesis

<i>The Epistemic Role of Prediction in Science</i> . Unigrafia: Helsinki.	2022
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Presentations

‘Methodological Pluralism and the Replication Crisis’

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| • at BPS Social Psychology Annual Conference (Oxford) | 2025 |
| • at Perspectives in Science -seminar (Helsinki) | 2025 |

‘Making sense of predictability within the social scientific context’

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| • at Predictability in the social sciences -workshop (Lammi) | 2025 |
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‘Predictive merits’

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| • at Beyond Data: New Challenges in Data-Driven Social Science -seminar (Helsinki) | 2023 |
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‘Just-So-Stories Lack Modal Depth’ (with Ilmari Hirvonen)

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| • at CELFIS-series (Bucharest) | 2023 |
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‘Novel Prediction and the Selectionist Challenge’

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| • at Perspectives in Science -seminar (Helsinki) | 2022 |
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‘Are agent-centered theories required in the predictivism debate?’	2020
• at TINT-seminar (Helsinki)	

‘Some problems in the prediction vs. accommodation debate’	
• at EPSA 2019 (Geneva)	2019
• at CLMPST 2019 (Prague)	2019

Teaching

<i>Introduction to Philosophy of Science</i> (University of Helsinki)	2024
<i>Advanced Epistemology</i> (University of Helsinki)	2022
<i>Introduction to Philosophy of Science – tutorial</i> (University of Helsinki)	2021
<i>Introduction to Epistemology – tutorial</i> (University of Helsinki)	2018

Research Grants

Postdoctoral research grant for ‘The Nature and Possibility of Prediction in the Social Sciences’ (Finnish Cultural Foundation)	2023-
Salaried Position for Doctoral Research (University of Helsinki)	2019-22

Academic Service

Reviewer for *Erkenntnis*, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, *Philosophy of Science*, *European Journal for the Philosophy of Science*

Non-Academic Employment

Senior Ministerial Adviser	Ministry of Education and Culture (FIN)	2018
Senior Advisor	Ministry of Education and Culture (FIN)	2017-18
Project Coordinator	Ministry of Education and Culture (FIN)	2013-17