

CURRICULUM VITAE ET STUDIORUM

CHIARA ROVER

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITIONS

June 2023 – present

Co-Director, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies (MCAS), Universität Hamburg (Germany)

April 2023 – present

Research Associate, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies (MCAS), Universität Hamburg (Germany) [EGR. 14 TV-L]

April 2023 – present

Managing Editor, *Encyclopaedia of Scepticism and Jewish Tradition*

<https://www.maimonides-centre.uni-hamburg.de/publications-and-media/encyclopedia.html>

OTHER ACADEMIC POSITIONS

July 2020 – present

Teaching Assistant (*Cultore della Materia*) in History of Ancient Philosophy (M-FIL/07) Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Philosophy (with Prof. F. Verde)

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2025–2037

Italian National Scientific Qualification (*Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale*) for Associate Professor in History of Philosophy (11/C5)

FELLOWSHIPS

October 2022 – March 2023

Postdoctoral Junior Fellow, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies (MCAS), Universität Hamburg (Germany)

(originally a 12-month position, October 2022 – September 2023; concluded early due to acceptance of a Research Associate position)

Project title: *The Sceptical Criticism of Dogmatic Theologies in Cicero's De natura deorum*

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September 2022 – August 2024

Member of the Italian Organizing Secretariat, XXV World Congress of Philosophy, Rome

2024

<https://wcprome2024.com/staff/>

EDUCATION

21 July 2021

PhD in Philosophy (History of Philosophy)

Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Philosophy

Grade (in Italian): Ottimo *cum laude*

Dissertation: *Fedeltà senza dogmatismo: L'epistemologia di Lucrezio*

Supervisors: Prof. Emidio Spinelli; Prof. Francesco Verde; Prof. Nunzio Allocca

Examination Committee: Prof. Gianluca Mori; Prof. Daniela Patrizia Taormina; Prof. Francesca G. Masi

5 July 2017

MA in Philosophical Sciences

Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage

Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

Thesis (History of Ancient Philosophy): *L'epistemologia epicurea: Un confronto tra Epicuro e Lucrezio*

Supervisor: Prof. Francesca G. Masi

Co-examiner: Prof. Eleonora Montuschi

External examiner: Prof. Francesco Verde (Sapienza University of Rome)

14 March 2014

BA in Philosophy

Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage

Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

Thesis (History of Ancient Philosophy): *Il De fato di Cicerone: La posizione di Epicuro*

Supervisor: Prof. Francesca G. Masi

PRIZES AND AWARDS

22 July 2022

First Prize, NetoIP Award for the Best PhD Dissertation on Epicureanism

(Awarded by Associazione Culturale *Il Mondo di Epicuro* and NetoIP.com srl)

Scientific Committee: Prof. Roberto Radice (President); Prof. Francesco Verde; Prof. Jürgen Hammerstaedt; Prof. David Konstan; Prof. Elena Irrera; Dr. Enrico Piergiacomini; Mr. Michele Pinto

FOREIGN STUDY PERIODS

March – August 2020

Visiting Postgraduate Researcher, University of Exeter (UK), Department of Classics and Ancient History

Supervisor: Prof. David Leith
(Recipient of a mobility grant from Sapienza University of Rome)

PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **Member**, Research Project 2022, Department of Sciences of Antiquity, Sapienza University of Rome
Da philosophia a sapientia. Il lessico tecnico filosofico tra greco e latino
PI: Prof. Francesca Romana Berno
 - **Member**, Research Project 2019, Department of Philosophy, Sapienza University of Rome
Il criterio di verità: Dalla filosofia antica all'epistemologia contemporanea
PI: Prof. Francesco Verde
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EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

2025 – present

Editorial Board Member, *Méthexis: International Journal for Ancient Philosophy*
<https://brill.com/view/journals/met/met-overview.xml>

2023 – present

Assistant Editor, *DOXAI – Testi e studi di filosofia antica*
<https://www.tabedizioni.it/autori/chiara-rover-2267>

2023 – present

Managing Editor, *Encyclopaedia of Scepticism and Jewish Tradition*
<https://www.maimonides-centre.uni-hamburg.de/publications-and-media/encyclopedia.html>

2022 – present

External Contributor, CIAPH – Centro Italiano dell'Année Philologique
<https://centri.unibo.it/ciaph/it/ricerca>

2021 – present

Section Editor, *Lexicon Philosophicum. International Journal for the History of Texts and Ideas*
<https://lexicon.cnr.it/ojs/index.php/LP/about/editorialTeam>

OTHER BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

2022 – present

Board Member, SYZETESIS. Associazione Filosofica
<https://www.syzetesis.it/associazione/chi-si-amo.html>

PEER REVIEW ACTIVITY

- *Henoch. Historical and Textual Studies in Ancient and Medieval Judaism and Christianity* (2023 – present)
- *Syzetesis* (2023 – present)
- *Ciceroniana On Line* (2023 – present)
- *Rivista di Cultura Classica e Medievale* (2023 – present)

- *Cronache Ercolanesi* (2020 – present)
 - *Elenchos. Journal of Studies on Ancient Thought* (2018 – present)
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MEMBERSHIPS

- SYZETESIS. Associazione Filosofica (2018 – present)
 - SISFA – Società Italiana di Storia della Filosofia Antica (2023 – present)
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RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

Project “Science and Philosophical Debates: A New Approach Towards Ancient Epicureanism” (SPIDER)

PI: Prof. Francesca G. Masi (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice), CUP: H74I19000270005

15 June – 15 October 2022

- Collection and translation of Epicurean texts on *phantasia*; preparation of a comprehensive reference bibliography (available at: <https://www.unive.it/pag/39013/>)

15 June – 14 September 2020

- Collection, collation, and systematisation of bibliographical references on the concept of science in Epicurus and the Epicurean tradition (epistemology, philosophy of nature, and the relation between science, ethics, and politics)
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Institut für Jüdische Philosophie und Religion, Universität Hamburg

Summer Semester 2025–2026 (M.A.)

Advanced Seminar (28 hours): *Philosophy on Trial: Reading and Commentary on Plato’s Apology and Crito*

(primarily for M.A. students in Philosophy)

Summer Semester 2023–2024 (M.A.)

Advanced Seminar (28 hours): *Can We Be Sure We Are Not Dreaming? Outlines of Scepticism*

(primarily for M.A. students in Philosophy)

ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lectures in History of Ancient Philosophy (Sapienza University of Rome)

- 2021–2022 (M.A.) – Course convenor: Prof. Francesco Verde
Lecture: “«... se non si percepisse nulla non si apprenderebbe né si comprenderebbe nulla» (Aristot. *De an.* III 8, 432a 7–8). Sullo sfondo di Theophr. *Metaph.* 8b 10–16”

- 2019–2020 (M.A.) – Course convenor: Prof. Francesco Verde
Introductory workshop on Plato's *Theaetetus*
- 2018–2019 (M.A.) – Course convenor: Prof. Francesco Verde
Lecture on a handbook of History of Ancient Philosophy (from Aristotle to Stoicism)
- 2017–2018 (M.A.) – Course convenor: Prof. Emidio Spinelli
Lecture on Gorgias' *Περὶ τοῦ μὴ ὄντος ἢ Περὶ φύσεως*

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Seminari sulla storia dell'epicureismo

8 May 2026, Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Philosophy (within Prof. F. Verde's course)

Lucrezio e la canonica epicurea

[Invited speaker]

Séminaire de philosophie hellénistique et romaine, Programme SPHR 2025–2026: *Liberté et destin*

20 February 2026, Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne

Quanti libertas ipsa aestimanda est... Carneades and the Freedom of the Academic

[Invited speaker]

GANPH Kolloquium

11 January 2025, Universität Hamburg, Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures

Hidden Threads: Plato's Theaetetus in Carneades' Thought

[Invited speaker]

XXV World Congress of Philosophy: *Philosophy across Boundaries*

1–8 August 2024, Sapienza University of Rome

Traces of Aristotle's Rhetoric in Carneades' Pithanotes

[Selected speaker]

International Conference: *The Significance of Scepticism in Philosophy, Judaism, and Culture*

21–24 July 2024, Universität Hamburg, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies

Hos epi to polu: Aristotelian Roots in Carneades' pithanotes

[Invited speaker]

Paradeigmata Voluntatis 3

19–20 June 2023, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage

Carneade 'parassita' di Epicuro? A partire da Cic. Fat. 11, 23

[Invited speaker]

National Conference of the Società Filosofica Italiana (SFI) – 2023: *Le parole della filosofia. Le metamorfosi del vocabolario del pensiero nella storia*

17–19 April 2023, Società Nazionale di Scienze, Lettere e Arti in Napoli / University of Naples Federico II

Tra re–legere e re–ligare: L’accidentato cammino del termine religio

[Selected speaker]

Filosofia e religione civile: un problema storico

26–28 September 2022, Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Philosophy

Sfuggire agli dèi, sfuggire agli uomini: Religio e giustizia in Lucrezio

[Invited speaker]

Pensieri antichi... In ricordo di Anna Maria Ioppolo

14 December 2021, Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Philosophy

Il pedetemptim progrediens, tra Carneade e Lucrezio

[Invited speaker]

Theory of Language and Scientific Lexicon in Epicureanism / Théorie du langage et lexique scientifique dans l'épicurisme

Workshop SPIN–SPIDER (*Science and Philosophical Debates: A New Approach towards Ancient Epicureanism*)

25–27 May 2021, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne / Ca' Foscari University of Venice (online)

Il linguaggio epistemologico di Lucrezio

[Invited speaker]

Tradurre e commentare i classici della filosofia. VII Corso di formazione per docenti e studenti

23 November – 18 December 2020

4 December 2020, online (organised by Associazione Achille e la Tartaruga in collaboration with the Società Filosofica Italiana)

Morbus

[Invited speaker]

Prolèpsis/Πρόληψις. Programme de recherche sur les savoirs précognitifs en philosophie ancienne

Séance 1: *La prolepse selon les épicuriens*

18 November 2019, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne

Notitia in Lucretius' DRN and the Relationship with Epicurus' prolepsis

[Invited speaker]

28th National Conference for PhD Students in Philosophy

4–5 September 2019, Fondazione Collegio San Carlo di Modena

La polemica antiscettica nel IV libro del De rerum natura di Lucrezio

[Selected speaker]

National Conference of the Società Filosofica Italiana (SFI) – 2018: *Tradizione e innovazione. Storia e progetto nella riflessione filosofica*

8–10 November 2018, University of Macerata

Sulle orme di Epicuro: Il De rerum natura di Lucrezio, fra tradizione e innovazione

[Selected speaker]

5th Annual Conference of the European Philosophical Society for the Study of Emotions (EPSSE)

13–15 June 2018, Tallinn University
“Epistemological Emotions”: *Voluptas and dolor as Criteria of Truth in Lucretius*
[Selected speaker]

CONFERENCE AND ROUND TABLE ORGANIZATION

Round Table: *Archaeology of Scepticism: Multiple Layers of a Philosophical Strategy*
(DFG Round Table, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies),
held within the XXV World Congress of Philosophy: *Philosophy across Boundaries*
1–8 August 2024, Sapienza University of Rome

International Conference: *The Significance of Scepticism in Philosophy, Judaism, and Culture*
21–24 July 2024, Universität Hamburg, Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies
(with Prof. Dr. G. Veltri and Prof. Dr. S. Schmid)

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

1. *Lucrezio e il criterio di verità epicureo*. Berlin–Boston: De Gruyter, 2025.
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Articles and Notes in Scientific Journals

1. “Carneade e il moto volontario dell’animo. Osservazioni su Cic. *Fat.* 11, 23.” *Historia Philosophica* 23 (2025).
2. “Hidden Threads: Plato’s *Theaetetus* in Carneades’ Thought.” *Bollettino della Società Filosofica Italiana* 244 (2025): 7–27.
3. “Pedetemptim progrediens. Tempo e conoscenza, tra Carneade e Lucrezio.” *Archivio di Storia della Cultura* 37 (2024): 24–40.
4. “Sfuggire agli dèi, sfuggire agli uomini. *Religio* e giustizia in Lucrezio.” *Archivio di Filosofia* XCI/1 (2023): 65–76.
5. “Lucretius’ *Prolepsis*.” *Elenchos* 43/2 (2022): 279–314.
6. “Spiegare l’errore. A proposito di alcune recenti linee di ricerca.” *Ciceroniana Online* 6/1 (2022): 113–139.
7. “Oltre la peste. I *morbi* nella φυσιολογία lucreziana.” *Atene & Roma* 15/1–4 (2021): 80–104.
8. “*Morbus*. Malattia e *physiologia* in Lucrezio.” *B@belonline*, vol. speciale (2021): 35–41.
9. “La polemica antiscettica nel IV libro di Lucrezio. Un’eco antiochea?” *Ciceroniana Online* 4/1 (2020): 157–183.

10. “Passioni epistemologiche. *Voluptas* e *dolor* come criteri di verità in Lucrezio.” *Bollettino della Società Filosofica Italiana* 1 (2020): 5–24.
 11. “Cogenza e contemporaneità dell’etica epicurea a partire da una recente raccolta di studi.” Review of Ph. Mitsis, *La libertà, il piacere, la morte. Studi sull’epicureismo e la sua influenza*, ed. E. Piergiacomini (Rome: Carocci, 2018). *Lexicon Philosophicum* 7 (2019): 1–13.
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Articles in Edited Volumes

1. “Reversing Plato’s Testimony. Anaxagoras’ *voûç* in Themistius’ Paraphrase of Aristotle’s *Metaphysics* A.2.” In J. Maksimczuk and L. Orlandi (eds.), *Mesôtēs. At the Intersection of Textuality and Materiality: Papers on Textual Criticism, Manuscript Studies, and Scholarly Practices Presented to Christian Brockmann on his 65th Birthday*. Berlin–Boston: De Gruyter, 2025, 235–260.
 2. “Cicero vs Cotta: Between Religion, Politics and Scepticism.” In M. Torbidoni (ed.), *Maimonides Review of Philosophy and Religion*, vol. 4. Leiden: Brill, 2025.
 3. “Carneades and his Heirs in Cicero’s *Academici Libri*.” In *Works of Philosophy and Their Reception*. Berlin–Boston: De Gruyter, 2024 [online version].
 4. “Tra *re-legere* e *re-ligare*. L’accidentato cammino del termine *religio*.” In A. Motta and L. Palumbo (eds.), *Le parole della filosofia: le metamorfosi del vocabolario del pensiero nella storia*. Napoli: FedOAPress, 2024, 325–330.
 5. “Lucretius’ Epistemological Language.” In F. G. Masi, P.-M. Morel, and F. Verde (eds.), *Epicureanism and Scientific Debates in Antiquity and Late Reception*, vol. I: *Language, Medicine, Meteorology*. Leuven: Leuven University Press, 2023, 105–140.
 6. “Il carattere bivalente dell’odio in Lucrezio.” In F. Alesse and L. Giovannetti (eds.), *Le metamorfosi dell’odio. Percorso interdisciplinare tra storia, filosofia, letteratura*. Torino: Rosenberg & Sellier, 2023, 145–169.
 7. “Una religiosità caleidoscopica. La religione dei filosofi greci, a partire dall’*Octavius* di Minucio Felice” (Postfazione). In D. Babut, *La religione dei filosofi greci. Da Talete agli Stoici*, introduction by C. Lévy, Italian edition edited by C. Rover. Milan: Vita e Pensiero, 2022, 181–212.
 8. “Sulle ‘orme’ di Epicuro. Il *De rerum natura* di Lucrezio, fra tradizione e innovazione.” In A. Fermani, P. Giordani, and P. Grisei (eds.), *Tradizione e innovazione. Storia e progetto nella riflessione filosofica*. Bologna: Diogene Multimedia, 2019, 177–185.
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Edited Volumes and Translations

1. Babut, D. *La religione dei filosofi greci. Da Talete agli Stoici*. Introduction by C. Lévy. Italian edition edited by C. Rover. Milan: Vita e Pensiero, 2022 (from French).
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Book Reviews

1. Review of *Questioni epicuree*, ed. D. De Sanctis, E. Spinelli, M. Tulli, and F. Verde (Sankt Augustin: Academia Verlag, 2015). *ΣΥΖΗΤΗΣΙΣ* 2 (2016): 217–224.
 2. Review of Charles E. Snyder, *Beyond Hellenistic Epistemology. Arcesilaus and the Destruction of Stoic Metaphysics* (London–New York: Bloomsbury, 2021). *Ciceroniana Online* 8/1 (2024).
 3. Review of *Brill’s Companion to Crantor of Soli*, ed. Ch. Vassallo, P. De Simone, and K. Fleischer (Leiden: Brill, 2025). *Sehepunkte* 26/2 (2026).
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Forthcoming and Work in Progress

1. “Epicurus and Mathematics.” In Ph. Mitsis (ed.), *The Philosophy of Epicurus: A Guide*. Oxford Handbooks. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2. “Sextus Empiricus’ Account of the Academy in the Outlines of Pyrrhonism”.
3. “*Hos epi to polu*. Aristotelian roots in Carneades’ *pithanotes*”.

Hamburg, 16 April 2026