

# Thomas Beuchot

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## Education

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### Ecole normale supérieure-PSL

*Ph.D. in cognitive science*

- **Thesis subject:** "The cognitive science of giving and its applications to policy making"
- **Advisor:** Coralie Chevallier

2024-...

Paris, France

### Ecole normale supérieure-PSL

*ENS Diploma (DENS) in cognitive science (Cogmaster, social sciences major), analytic philosophy minor*

- **Visiting:** Wellbeing Research Center, Oxford University, England (2023)
  - "How comparable is life satisfaction data from different surveys? The survey fingerprint problem and a solution", with A. Prati
- **Fellowship:** Happier Lives Institute, Remote (2022)
- **Internships:** Institut Jean Nicod, ENS-PSL, Paris (2021-2024)
  - "Early life unpredictability and attitudes towards risk and ambiguity: a wheel of fortune task", with C. Chevallier & D. Nettle (2023-2024)
  - "Is there a deprivation threshold? A longitudinal analysis", with D. Nettle (2022-2023)
  - "Variations in human personality with resource availability: a meta-analytic review", with M. Boon-Falleur & N. Baumard (2022)
  - "Beyond genres: what attracts us in a movie plot", with V. Thouzeau & N. Baumard (2021-2022)

2021-2024

Paris, France

### HEC Paris

*Master in Management (Programme Grande Ecole)*

- **Award:** Accessit for a dissertation on meaning and leadership
- **BCG consulting academy:** Analyst for COM'IN

2019-2024

Paris, France

### IPESUP

*Intensive economic preparatory class (ECE)*

2017-2019

Paris, France

## Publications

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### **The Cognitive Foundations of Fictional Stories** (pre-print)

*Dubourg, E., Thouzeau, V., Beuchot, T., [...], Baumard, N. (2024), under review*

## Work in progress

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### **Variations in human personality with resource availability: a meta-analytic review**

*Beuchot, T., Boon-Falleur, M., Chevallier, C., Baumard, N., in prep*

### **How comparable is life satisfaction data from different surveys? The survey fingerprint problem and a solution**

*Beuchot, T., Prati, A., in prep*

### **Early life unpredictability and attitudes towards risk and ambiguity: a wheel of fortune task**

*Beuchot, T., Ciranka, S., Chevallier, C., Nettle, D., in prep*

## Conference talks

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### **2024 – Human Behavior and Evolution Society**, Aarhus

*"Variations in human personality with resource availability: a meta-analytic review" (blitz talk)*

## Teaching

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**Causal statistics for Treatment Models**, Undergraduate, Teaching Assistant  
PSL University, taught with Marc Gurgand

2024-2025  
Paris, France

- Undergraduate course for the Economics Department at ENS-PSL. The aim of this course is to train students in statistical methods for estimating causal relationships, based on experiments or quasi-experiments. Teaching load: 24 hours

**Psychology and the sustainable transition**, Undergraduate, Lecturer  
PSL University, taught with Aurore Grandin and Mélusine Boon-Falleur

2024-2025  
Paris, France

- Undergraduate course for the Sciences pour un monde durable undergraduate program at PSL-University. In this course, we present and discuss works in social cognition, cognitive psychology and behavioural economics that aim at providing a better understanding of the obstacles to the shift towards a more sustainable society, and that help identify levers that have been used and tested in public policy. Teaching load: 21 hours

## Guest lectures

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**2024 – Human behavior, Cultures, and Societies**, ENS-PSL, Paris  
*"Why does personality exist? Evidence from genomics"* (Guest lecture)

**2022 – Education, Innovation, Society Seminar**, EHESS, Paris  
*"Socio-emotional skills: how to measure them? How do they change with socio-economic status?"* (Guest lecture)

**2022 – Statistics, Sciences pour un monde durable**, PSL University, Paris  
*"Personality 101"* (Guest lecture)

## Public engagement in science

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### Reports

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**Policies for wellbeing: A brief scoping review** ([link](#))  
Beuchot, T. (2022), Happier Lives Institute

### General audience talks

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**2024 – Forum des métiers**, Sciences Po Paris, Paris  
*"Fulfillment and Impact: How to build a career that suits you?"*

**2023 – Automnales de l'altruisme efficace**, Mandres-les-Roses  
*"Personality and effective altruism"*

**2023 – Nuit Européenne Des Chercheurs**, Brest  
*"Interactive experience and game on psychological consequences of inequalities"*

## Non-academic experience

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**Self-employed**, Cognitive science consultant  
Cognitive science consultant for Noèse and Maki People

2022-now  
Paris, France

- **Career guidance:** Creation of psychometric tests based on the theoretical models of the Big Five, RIASEC, Schwartz' values, PERMA, and CHC model of intelligence
- **Hiring:** Validation of psychometric tests (Big Five, cognitive abilities)

**DeepSelf**, Co-founder (student-entrepreneur)  
Cofounder of a platform using AI and psychometric tests to increase engagement at work

2020-2022  
Paris, France

- AI For Tomorrow contest 2020 (finalist)
- IMT Starter contest 2020 (finalist)

**JobTeaser**, User researcher 2021  
*Creation of career guidance tools and definition of the user research methodology* Paris, France

**Rising Up**, R&D assistant & Marketing and partnership assistant 2020  
*Design of training content on soft skills, development and implementation of the communication and partnership strategy* Paris, France

## Service

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**ENS-PSL**, Lab meeting organiser 2024-2025  
*Organisation of the weekly lab meetings for the Evolution and Social Cognition lab* Paris, France

**Cognitions Podcast**, Host 2023-now  
*"EP #2 | Cognitive Approaches to Studying Culture | Olivier Morin", "BONUS EP | Meet the Hosts & Season 2 Announcements"*

**Effective Altruism France**, President 2019-now  
*Project management, hiring and strategic support for a non-profit on positive impact* Paris, France

- Board member since 2023
- Volunteer since 2019

**Effective Altruism ENS-PSL**, Co-founder 2021-2022  
*Running of a student group with conferences on the best ways to have a positive impact* Paris, France

**Psych'HEC**, Co-founder and Vice-President 2019-2020  
*Running of a student group that offers psychological support for students* Paris, France