

Robert Scott Taylor

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Areas of Specialisation:

Philosophy of Medicine and Psychiatry, Philosophy of Addiction

Areas of Competence:

Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Biology, Theoretical and Applied Ethics, Political and Social Philosophy

EDUCATION

2025-Present	PhD History and Philosophy of Science The University of Cambridge Supervisors: Tim Lewens, Harriet Fagerberg Advisor: Alexander Bird
2023-2024	MSc Philosophy and Public Policy (Distinction) The London School of Economics and Political Science Dissertation title: "Is the Disease Concept Enough? Redefining Health and Disease Through Conceptual Engineering" (81/100) Supervisor: Harriet Fagerberg <i>*Winner of The Beatrice Webb Prize for Best Dissertation MSc Philosophy and Public Policy</i>
2016-2020	B.A. Philosophy, B.A. Economics, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> The College of William and Mary Overall GPA: 3.94/4.00; Philosophy GPA: 4.00/4.00; Economics GPA: 3.93/4.00 <i>*Awarded Terry Glenn Memorial Scholarship</i>

PUBLICATIONS

2026	Taylor, R.S. Is the Disease Concept Enough? Redefining Health and Disease Through Conceptual Engineering <i>Philosophy of Medicine</i> , 7(1).

APPOINTMENTS

2024 –2025	<i>Research Assistant</i> Stanford Deliberative Democracy Lab, Stanford University - Conducting research at the intersection of political science and political philosophy. - Conducting deliberative exercises and writing reports in collaboration with various partners including The Institute for Ethics in AI at Oxford University, Cambridge University's Trinity Challenge, and Meta.

PRIZES & AWARDS

2025-2028	<i>Cambridge International Scholarship</i> for Doctoral Studies (Fees + Maintenance) The Cambridge Trust, University of Cambridge
2023	<i>The Beatrice Webb Prize for Best Dissertation MSc Philosophy and Public Policy (£100)</i> The London School of Economics and Political Science <i>Dissertation: "Is the Disease Concept Enough? Redefining Health and Disease Through Conceptual Engineering."</i>
2018	<i>Terry Glenn Memorial Scholarship (\$3,000)</i> <i>Merit-based scholarship awarded annually by the Economics Department to select majors at the College.</i> The College of William and Mary

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2026	<i>Reviewer</i> , Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy
2026	<i>Convenor</i> Psy-Phi (Philosophy of Psychiatry and Psychology) Reading Group, University of Cambridge

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

2023-2024	Philosophy, Morals and Politics. Philosophy and Public Policy Genes, Brains and Society The Ethics of Data and AI
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Languages

English: Native Proficiency

Russian: Intermediate Proficiency

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request