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The Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies

- Position: **Early Career Postdoctoral Fellow**
- Duration: 2 years
- Number of positions: 1 full time (preferred but negotiable)
- Disciplines: Epistemology, Media Studies, Philosophy of Technology
- Location: [Centre for Ethics](#), Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Pardubice, Czech Republic
- Start date: 1 January 2025 (preferred but negotiable)
- Month salary (gross): 42.000,00 CZK + conferences travel funding + health insurance + 6 weeks of paid annual leave

Vicious epistemic cultures ("Neřestné epistemické kultury") is a three-year research project led by [Assoc. Prof. Laura Candioto](#), based at the [Centre for Ethics as Study in Human Value](#), Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Pardubice, and funded by the Czech Science Foundation.

The post here advertised is a full-time, research-only position. The successful applicant will be given academic and administrative support to pursue their research within the bounds of the project and the opportunity to participate in the Centre's lively research environment. In return, they will be expected to make a substantial contribution to the project's publication outputs, including 4 single- and/or co-authored articles in well-regarded international journals, to present the research results in international conferences, and support the PI in organising the project international conference and editing the proceedings. A specific work package on **online climate denialism** will be assigned to the postdoctoral fellow.

We especially welcome candidates with previous experience in **empirical research** (quantitative and qualitative analysis of social media); **interdisciplinary methodology** in epistemology and philosophy of technology; who are keen **to pursue research on Vice Epistemology**, at the crisscross of Social Epistemology, the Ethics of Knowing, and Philosophy of Emotions, especially regarding these topics:

- Vices and virtues in digital environments
- Epistemic responsibility
- Epistemic cultures

- Epistemic and affective trust
- Mind invasion, affective arrangements
- Epistemic habits and community of inquiry
- Epistemology of emotion

An interest in **environmental ethics** will be considered as a plus due to the case study on online climate denialism that will be the main research task assigned to the postdoctoral fellow.

Further details of the project may be found here:

<https://centreforethics.upce.cz/en/vicious-epistemic-cultures>

We especially welcome applications from members of underrepresented groups.

Requirements:

- Ph.D. or equivalent, awarded by the intended start date
- track record of independent publications
- research interests relevant to the project topic
- fluency in English

For further inquiries, contact Assoc. Prof. Laura Candiotta (Laura.Candiotta@upce.cz)

Timeline:

Applications should be sent by **June, the 28th, 2024, noon time**, to gabriela.kaufmanova@upce.cz. Please state “Research position, Vicious Epistemic Cultures” in the e-mail subject line. The short-list will be announced by July the 31st and the online interview is scheduled for the first week of September 2024. The Evaluation Committee is composed by [Assoc. Prof. Laura Candiotta](#) (Project PI), Assoc. Prof. [Ondrej Beran](#) (Head of Research, Centre for Ethics), [Dr. Ondrej Krasa](#) (Head of Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies).

What to submit:

- Academic CV
- a sample of a published or unpublished research paper (up to 40.000 characters)
- A letter of motivation
- 2 Recommendation Letters (1 from the Ph.D supervisor and 1 from the current employer or colleague)