

# Curriculum Vitae

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### Profile

I work as an independent midwife in Amsterdam and as a PhD-student at the University of Humanistic Studies, Utrecht. In my PhD-study I investigate obstetric violence from the perspectives of intersectional feminism, postcolonial theory and care-ethics. I have a BA and rMA in Philosophy (cum laude) and wrote my MA-thesis on the ontology of pregnancy and pregnant posthuman subjectivity (see: Posthuman Glossary, 2018).

### Work

**PhD 'What is Obstetric Violence? A Critical Analysis of the Mother-Midwife Relation.'**

2019-2022.

University for Humanistic Studies, Utrecht.

Supervisors: Prof. Carlo Leget, Prof. Inge van Nistelrooij, Prof. Stella Villarrea.

### Independent Midwife.

2020-present.

Midwives Van der Hoopstraat, Amsterdam.

Reference: Froukje Jorissen, [www.vroedvrouwen.nl](http://www.vroedvrouwen.nl)

### Education

**Research Master Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, 2015-2018.**

Cum Laude: 8.7/A+.

rMA-thesis: Expecting - to Conceive of Pregnancy from the Perspective of the Maternal.

Supervisors: dr. Aukje van Rooden, prof. Rosi Braidotti, prof. Yolande Jansen. Grade: 9.3, A+.

**Bachelor Midwifery, Verloskunde Academie Amsterdam, 2015-2020.**

**Bachelor Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, 09/2010 - 06/2015.**

Average post-propedeuse: 8.3/A.

Minor: Literary studies, 30 ECTS. Average: 8.5/A+.

BA-thesis: Labour, Birth, Event: Disclosing Labour as a Manifestation of the Sublime. Grade: 8.7/

A+.

**VWO: MLA & Barlaeus Gymnasium, Amsterdam, 2004-2010.**

## Publications

Preface 'Violence Against Women: Murder, Subjectivity and Childbirth' together with Joke J. Hermsen for the book 'Biopoder Y Derecho. Violencia contra las mujeres', edited by F. Javier Blázquez Ruiz. Navarra 2020: Thomas Reuters Limited.

Moederschap en geboorte: relationaliteit als alternatieve ethische benadering. Van Nistelrooij, I. & van der Waal, R. Academic paper in TGE 29 2019 nr. 2.

Een baring doorbreekt de normale structuren van het bewustzijn. Interview Filosofie Magazine, April 2019.

The Pregnant Posthuman. Lemma in the book 'Posthuman Glossary', ed. Rosi Braidotti and Maria Hlavajova. Bloomsbury Academic 2018: London

Opnieuw beginnen maakt menselijk. Interview Filosofie Magazine, January 2017.

Opgetekend in hartslagen: balanceren op het afwezige begin van de mens. Chapter in the book 'Hoe de dingen ons bewegen', ed. Bernke Klein Zandvoort and Caroline Ruijgrok. Trebelsee 2016: Amsterdam

## Lectures/ Presentations

Class on obstetric violence. Master Care-Ethics, University for Humanistic Studies, Utrecht, June 2020.

Lecture on obstetric violence, White Ribbon Symposium, Amsterdam, March 2020.

Presentation on obstetric violence, EACME, Oxford, September 2019.

Lecture on the genealogy of midwifery and obstetric violence, Nordic Conference of Midwifery, Reykjavik, May 2019.

Lecture on the philosophy of pregnancy, Brainwash festival, Amsterdam, October 2018.  
<https://slaa.nl/de-verwachting/rodante-van-der-waal-verwachten->

Lecture on the philosophy of pregnancy, Concerning Maternity Symposium, University for Humanistic Studies, 2017.

## Projects

Producer of the podcast 'Contractions', 2020-present.

<https://contractions.buzzsprout.com>

Supervision students art-academy Artez on projects on obstetric violence 2020-present

'Broken Water' project together with artist Melissa van Vugt to enhance the visibility of obstetric violence, 2020-present.

<https://www.instagram.com/gebroken.water/>

Organization of the Dutch research-network 'Concerning Maternity' 2018-present.

Twinning Project with midwives in Iceland from KNOV, ICM and M4M, 2018-2020.

<http://midwives4mothers.nl/twinning-up-north/>

Organization of international symposium *Concerning Maternity*, University for Humanistic Studies, Utrecht, May 2019.

<https://www.uvh.nl/actueel/agenda/concerning-maternity-part-iii-ethics-care-and-subjectivity>

Organization of a literary evening about the philosophy of childbirth in Perdu, Amsterdam, December 2018.

<https://perdu.nl/nl/r/mijn-kind-werd-niet-als-sneeuw-geboren/>