**Institution**: Faculty of Philosophy, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland

**Position**: Post-doc  
**Requirements**:

1. The successful applicant should hold a Ph.D. title (at the date of employment) in philosophy. The degree has to be obtained within 7 years prior to joining the project. This period does not include maternity or paternal leave or other circumstances described in the Polish National Science Centre Opus project regulations.
2. A candidate should have research interest in the philosophy of language, especially in the issues concerning normative inferentialism, natural kind terms, externalism.
3. Very good academic record: especially, publications in prestigious philosophical journals.
4. Required language: English, level: advanced

**Project summary:**

The project is focused on the use of theories of meaning, particularly the inferential theory of meaning (a theory saying that linguistic meaning is constituted by those material inferences (transitions, moves) one ought to or may (not) make).

Externalism (Burge 1979; Putnam 1975) seems to be very popular in the philosophy of mind and language. The main point made by externalists is that meanings and contents are not determined by internal factors but (at least partially) by external ones. They emphasize the role of linguistic community (especially relevant experts) and the structure of reality in determining meaning of linguistic expressions. As externalists like to put it, “meaning ain’t in the head”. At first glance, inferentialism (after all, inferences are things that one carries in one’s head ) and externalism (“meaning ain’t in the head”) may be considered incompatible. We would like to check how normative inferentialism actually intersects with externalism – that issue is heavily understudied.

Normative inferentialism is an essentially social theory, so we need to undertake the following issues: given that normative inferentialism, as a use-theory of meaning, identifies linguistic meaning with some sort of communal use, how it is possible to reconcile that with (a) distinguished role of relevant experts, and (b) the fact that meaning and content is at least partly determined by the structure of reality (for instance, atomic number). The research to be conducted includes, among others, the following research tasks:

* Inferentialism and semantics and metaphysics of natural kinds
* Inferentialism and division of linguistic labour
* The role of experts, community and reality in determining meaning of terms

**Post-doc duties:**

1. Conducting research under the supervision of the project leader Bartosz Kaluziński ([bartosz.kaluzinski@amu.edu.pl](mailto:bartosz.kaluzinski@amu.edu.pl) ; <https://orcid.org/0000-0001-5796-4925>),
2. Writing (individually or in collaboration with PI) research papers.
3. Participation in conferences, seminars, workshops.

**Deadline**: 2 September 2022, 23:59  
**Applications should be sent to**: [bartosz.kaluzinski@amu.edu.pl](mailto:bartosz.kaluzinski@amu.edu.pl)  
**Terms of employment**:

1. Duration: 24 months
2. Starting date: preferably January 2023
3. Salary: PLN 10000 gross/month (~6000 net/month)
4. Contract of employment, full time (40h per week).
5. During the period of receiving Post-doc remuneration, successful Candidate will not receive remuneration from another employer on the basis of an employment contract, including an employer based outside Poland.

**Required documents:**

1. Diploma

2.Full academic CV (including publications, conference presentations, research projects, fellowships, awards etc)

3.Writing sample – paper or dissertation chapter – that the Candidates consider their best work (published or unpublished, max approx. 20 pages)

4.Research Statement – outlining how the Candidates intend to contribute to the realization of the project (max. 3 pages)

**Consent clause (please attach the following consent to your application):**

Pursuant to Art. 6 (1) (a) and the general regulation on data protection of 27 April 2016 (Journal of Laws UE L 119/1 of 4 May 2016), I consent to the processing of personal data other than those indicated in art. 221 of the Labor Code (first and last names and surname; parents' names; date of birth; place of residence; correspondence address; education; previous employment history) included in my job offer for the purposes of current recruitment.

date and signature

GDPR information clause:

Pursuant to Art. 13 of the general regulation on the protection of personal data of 27 April 2016 (Journal of Laws UE L 119 of 04/05/2016), we would like to inform you that:

1. The administrator of your personal data is the University of Adama Mickiewicza in Poznań with its seat at: ul. Henryka Wieniawskiego 1, 61 - 712 Poznań.

2. The administrator of personal data has appointed a Data Protection Officer supervising the correctness of personal data processing, who can be contacted via the following e-mail address: iod@amu.edu.pl.

3. The purpose of processing your personal data is to carry out the recruitment process for the indicated job position.

4. The legal basis for the processing of your personal data is Art. 6 sec. 1 lit. and the general regulation on the protection of personal data of April 27, 2016 and the Labor Code of June 26, 1974 (Journal of Laws of 1998, N21, item 94, as amended).

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