



## Massimo Pigliucci

### Short Bio

Prof. Pigliucci has a Doctorate in genetics from the University of Ferrara (Italy, 1989), a PhD in Botany from the University of Connecticut (1994), and a PhD in philosophy from the University of Tennessee. He has carried out post-doctoral research in evolutionary ecology at Brown University and is currently Professor of Philosophy at the City University of New York-Lehman College. Pigliucci's fields of research include philosophy of biology, with particular relevance to the structure and foundations of evolutionary theory, the relationship between science and philosophy, and the relationship between science and religion.

Pigliucci is an associate editor for *Biology & Philosophy* and the Editor-in-Chief of the new journal *Philosophy & Theory in Biology*. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and writes regularly for *Philosophy Now*, a magazine devoted to public understanding of philosophy. He writes a blog about philosophy, science and other topics at [rationallyspeaking.org](http://rationallyspeaking.org)

Pigliucci has published *Making Sense of Evolution: Toward a Coherent Picture of Evolutionary Theory* (with Jonathan Kaplan, University of Chicago Press). His forthcoming book is *Evolution: The Extended Synthesis* (co-edited with Gerd Muller, MIT Press).

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