



*Father and (Incarcerated) Son:
Forging Family through Intergenerational Imprisonment*

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Institute of Criminology Public Seminar Series

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This seminar will centre on the narratives of a small number of young incarcerated men as well as those of their previously incarcerated fathers. It will highlight the hopes and fears carried by each father for their son and explore the ways in which fathers attempt to assist their children to do "good time" through reference to their own prison experiences. Conversely, this seminar will also explore how each son accepts, makes sense of, or rejects the attempt to "do" or restore fatherhood through the prism of incarceration. In concluding, the key themes of this seminar will be connected to existing knowledge on mentoring and desistance from crime.

Mark Halsey is Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at the Law School, Flinders University, Australia. His specific areas of interest include repeat incarceration and desistance from crime, as well as the political economy of environmental harm. Under the auspices of a Flinders Small grant and two successive Australian Research Council grants (2003 to 2013), Mark's longitudinal research explores the emergence and/or denial of generative opportunities and actions in the lives of young male (ex)prisoners and their nominated significant others. In addition to this research, Mark has completed a number of projects for various state governments. Most recently, he was joint leader of the team responsible for evaluating Australia's first Community Justice Centre (located in Victoria) and was a consultant to the South Australian government on issues relating to serious repeat youth offending.

Mark has published in such journals as *Punishment & Society*, *Theoretical Criminology*, *British Journal of Criminology* and *Journal of Criminal Law & Criminology*, and in edited collections such as *Imaginary Penalties* (Willan, 2008), *The Critical Criminology Companion* (Federation, 2008) and *Law and Ecology* (Routledge, 2011).

This seminar is part of the IoC Public Seminar Series, and is open to all interested in attending.
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