Critical Conversations in Forensic Psychology

A seminar series that aims to ignite new discussion about forensic psychology practice, by pairing psychologists with scholars from neighbouring crime-interested disciplines.

Forensic Psychology and......Punishment

Tuesday 22nd June 6:30pm

Speaker: Ben Crewe, University of Cambridge.

Discussant: Graham Towl, University of Durham.

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Forensic Psychology and.....Discourse

Tuesday 6th July 6:30pm

Speaker: Kathryn Fox, University of Vermont.

Discussant: Peter Kinderman, University of Liverpool.

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Forensic Psychology and.....Economy

Tuesday 13th July 6:30pm

Speaker: Kelly Hannah-Moffat, University of Toronto.

Discussant: Stephen Hart, Simon Fraser University.

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Forensic Psychology and.....Empire

Tuesday 20th July 6:30pm

Speaker: Erik Linstrum, University of Virginia.

Discussant: Tarek Younis, Middlesex University.

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Ben Crewe is Professor of Penology and Criminal Justice, and Deputy Director of the Prisons Research Centre, at the Institute of Criminology, University of Cambridge, UK. He is interested in all aspects of prison life, including prison management, staff-prisoner relationships, public and private sector imprisonment, penal power and prisoner social life.

Graham Towl is Professor of Forensic Psychology at Durham University. Formerly, he was Chief Psychologist at the Ministry of Justice. He worked in prisons for a number of years, and is editor of Forensic Psychology (with David Crighton), now in its 3rd edition, and the only forensic psychology textbook series approved by the British Psychological Society.



Forensic Psychology and...Discourse



Kathy Fox received her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of California, Berkeley. She is a qualitative researcher who focuses on social control generally, but prisons and reintegration specifically. In her past projects, she has studied a cognitive behavioural intervention programme for those convicted of violent offences (Cognitive Self-Change), and a reintegration support programme for those returning from prison (Circles of Support & Accountability). She currently studies (with Abigail Crocker) prison culture and how to improve it. She is also a senior researcher with the National Institute on Restorative Justice.

Peter Kinderman is Professor of Clinical Psychology at the University of Liverpool, studying the psychological and social determinants of mental health. He is a practicing Clinical Psychologist, Clinical Advisor at Public Health England, and former President of the British Psychological Society. He is the author of 'A Prescription for Psychiatry' (Palgrave Macmillan, 2014), 'New Laws of Psychology' (Little, Brown, 2015), and 'A Manifesto for Mental Health' (Palgrave Macmillan, 2019).



Forensic Psychology and... Economy



Professor Kelly Hannah-Moffat has made important contributions to criminology, sociology, and legal issues. Her interdisciplinary research focuses on criminal records disclosures, risk, punishment, and marginalized and diverse populations, and has impacted social and criminal justice policy change, institutional/legal reform, solitary confinement and institutional risk meeting practices.

Stephen Hart's primary area of expertise is clinical-forensic psychology. His work focuses on assessment in criminal and civil settings, particularly of violence risk and psychopathic personality disorder. He has co-authored more than 235 books, chapters, and articles. He served as executive committee member of several professional organizations, including President of the American Psychology-Law Society and the International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services. He is a leading co-developer of the structured professional judgement approach to risk assessment.



Forensic Psychology and...Empire



Erik Linstrum is Associate Professor of History at the University of Virginia. He is the author of Ruling Minds: Psychology in the British Empire (Harvard University Press, 2016), which won the George Louis Beer Prize from the American Historical Association for the best book of the year in modern European international history. He is currently writing a book about knowledge of colonial violence in post-1945 Britain.

Dr Tarek Younis is a Lecturer in Psychology at Middlesex University. He researches and writes on Islamophobia, racism in mental health, and the securitisation of clinical settings. He teaches on the impact of culture, religion, globalization and security policies on mental health.

