



SCCJR Bulletin: APRIL 2019

People

Congratulations to **Hannah Graham** (Stirling) who was invited to become a member of the National Council of the Scottish Association for the Study of Offending (SASO), joining fellow SCCJR colleagues Fergus McNeill and Michele Burman as a member.

**Howard League
for Penal Reform**

The Howard League for Penal Reform's latest [Early Career Academics Network Bulletin](#) has had a Scottish Takeover this month.

Eight researchers associated with the SCCJR and working at the Universities of the West of Scotland, Edinburgh, Glasgow

and Strathclyde describe their work encompassing a diverse range of topics, at the same time showcasing the innovative methodologies and engagement activities that are part of this.

Events

5 April: The ESRC and the Futures of Criminological Research: A BSC/CCJ Symposium will take place at the Edinburgh Law School, 2-5pm. Registration is free but [booking is required](#).

23 May to 26 July: PEEP Perspectives from the Edges of Exclusion and Punishment. Cara Jardine (Strathclyde) and Louise Brangan (Stirling) are launching a new research network for ECRs with an interest in punishment. There is an open call for abstracts for three half-day workshops to be held this summer where ECRs can refine and advance work-in-progress, such as articles, book chapters, book proposals etc. For more information on how to submit an abstract and when the workshops will take place [please visit our website](#).

13-14 June: The 4th Annual Ethnographies of Crime and Control Symposium will take place at the Pearce Institute, Govan, Glasgow. A call for abstracts is currently underway with more information available [here](#)

Events of interest will be posted on the [SCCJR website](#).



The University of Edinburgh School of Law is looking for a Lecturer in Criminology with interests in any area of global crime and justice to join their team of staff and students. The closing date for applications is 25 April. For more details on how to apply [click here](#)

Funding

Julie Berg (Glasgow) has received funding from the Griffith Criminology Institute and School of Criminology and Criminal Justice Visiting Scholars Programme to visit Griffith University, Brisbane, in the latter part of April.

As part of this visit, Julie will be presenting on public-private policing partnerships at a conference entitled 'Governance of flows: Security provision in ports' co-organised by the research group Governing & Policing Security (GaPS), Ghent University and the Evolving Securities Initiative (ESI), Griffith University.

SCCJR Blogs

We have published two more blogs this month.

Rebekah Cameron, who is a student at the University of Glasgow's School of

Law has written a blog 'Escaping the revolving doors: rethinking short-sentences and our use of prisons in Scotland' which looks at the Scottish Government's presumption against prison sentences of less than 12 months.

Visiting PhD student, Aura Kostianen from the University of Helsinki provided an excellent round-up of the Traces of Law event which was held at the University of Edinburgh in March. Her blog article 'Social scientists and lawyers diggin' the archives' is available to read now.

Read these blog articles and others [here](#)

If you would like to contribute to our blog site please contact our Comms Officer, Rachele Cobain rachele.cobain@glasgow.ac.uk

Presentations & Meetings

Upcoming

Oona Brooks-Hay (Glasgow) will present 'Reports of male and female perpetration of domestic abuse: implications of the new offence' at the Marking the Implementation of the DA (Scotland) Act Seminar, hosted by Scottish Women's Aid in Edinburgh, 4th April.

Fergus McNeill (Glasgow) discussed his book Pervasive Punishment on Monday 1 April at the University of Leicester. On Tues 9 April he will give a similar talk at both the University of Copenhagen and the Danish Institute for the Prevention of Torture.

Fergus will also be visiting the Catholic University of Chile in Santiago between 20-28 April, where he will be hosted by the Centre for the Study of Justice and Society and will be involved in a series of meetings, events and talks related to desistance research and penal reform.

Past

Marguerite Schinkel (Glasgow) gave a seminar at the University of Hull, 20 March titled 'Not quite a revolving door - Arrested desistance among people experiencing persistent punishment.'

On 28 March Marguerite gave a talk at the European Society of Criminology working group on Prison Life meeting in Amsterdam, titled Trajectories of parenthood and desistance, and led a roundtable on 'Changing public perceptions of people with convictions'.

Hannah Graham (Stirling) spoke on 'Images of Probation Work and Visual Criminology Beyond the Prison' at the European Society of Criminology Community Sanctions and Measures Working Group, 21st – 22nd March 2019, at the University of Cambridge.

Distant Voices had a gig in Union Chapel on 16 March — as part of their Daylight Music programme. Around 250 people came along to hear and respond to songs from the project.

In the Media

Susan McVie (Edinburgh) contributed to an article published in Wired Magazine, ['Why it's so hard to blame a rise in UK knife crime on police cuts,'](#) 7 March.

PhD student **Francesca Soliman** (Edinburgh) pictured right appeared on BBC Scotland's news programme, The Nine on Monday 11 March where she was interviewed by Rebecca Curran and Martin Geissler on her research on Mediterranean migration.



Niall Hamilton-Smith (Stirling) was interviewed by a number of media outlets, offering a research-informed analysis of factors affecting football violence and anti-social behaviour in Scotland, including in The Herald, ['Strict liability will not rid football of anti-social behaviour, claims senior university lecturer in sociology and criminology'](#) and [Rocksport Radio](#) (1:35)

In the wake of the appeal judgment in the case of Radovan Karadžić at the UN International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Trials, **Andy Aydın-Aitchison** (Edinburgh) gave an interview

on 21 March to [Radio Free Europe](#) in which he discusses ongoing denial of genocide and obstacles to reconciliation in Bosnia.

The interview is published (in Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian) as: 'Aydın-Aitchison: RS će nastaviti negiranje genocida i rehabilitaciju zločina' [Aydın-Aitchison: Republika Srpska] will continue to deny genocide and rehabilitate criminals]

Publications

Fergus McNeill, **Marguerite Schinkel** (Glasgow) and **Hannah Graham** (Stirling) contributed to SCCJR's response to the Scottish Government's consultation on Transforming Parole Scotland. [Click here](#) to read the full response.

Scottish Government Updates

The monthly Safer Communities and Justice Brief March 2019 is [available now](#).



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