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About

Steven Gillespie is a post-doctoral research fellow working in the field of psychopathic personality and sexual offending. Steven is particularly interested in using experimental methods to investigate the influence of personality traits on cognition and emotion in sexual offenders.

Biography

Steven Gillespie completed both his undergraduate studies and his PhD, under the supervision of Dr Ian Mitchell and Prof. Anthony Beech, in the School of Psychology, University of Birmingham. Steven has recently taken up the post of research fellow in the School of Psychology.

Research

Research interests

Psychopathic personality, sexual offending

Other activities

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Publications

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