

News from across the College

News from Business School

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Building trust with clients is a top priority for financial advisers in 2015. [Birmingham Business School MidEx study shows \(/schools/business/news/2015/january/midex-study.aspx\)](#)

A study to examine content marketing for the financial advisory sector, commissioned by Ember Television, has yielded some interesting findings.

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Economics at Birmingham ranked in top 6 for research intensity in recent REF [\(/schools/business/departments/economics/news/2015/january/ref-research.aspx\)](#)

The commitment to research that exists within Economics has been underlined by the results of the recent Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 exercise, with the Department ranked 6th out of 28 institutions on research intensity.

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News from School of Social Policy

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Briefing Paper: Basic bank accounts in Ireland [\(/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-basic-bank-accounts-in-ireland.aspx\)](#)

Basic Bank Accounts in Ireland: Not so much a false start as a faulty start? Read the latest Briefing Paper from CHASM.

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CHASM Briefing Paper: December 2014 [\(/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-saving-during-economic-down-turn.aspx\)](#)

Should people on low incomes be encouraged to save during an economic down-turn? Latest Briefing Paper from CHASM

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News from School of Education

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The Colour of Class: the educational strategies of the Black middle classes [\(/research/activity/education/crre/news/2014/the-colour-of-class.aspx\)](#)

This new book draws on qualitative data from nearly 80 Black Caribbean middle-class parents. The interviews reveal how these parents attempt to navigate their children successfully through the school system, and defend them against low expectations and other manifestations of discrimination

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Dr Nicola Rollock wins a place on BBC Expert Voices BAME Talent Day [\(/research/activity/education/crre/news/2014/dr-nicola-rollock-offered-a-place-on-the-bbc-expert-voices-bame-talent-days.aspx\)](#)

Dr Nicola Rollock was one of four University of Birmingham minority ethnic academics to be offered a place on the BBC Expert Voices BAME Talent Days

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News from School of Government and Society

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Oil crisis: can short-term pain lead to economic gain for Russia? [\(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/news/thebirminghambrief/items/2015/01/oil-crisis-22-01-15.aspx\)](#)

The recent crash in oil prices is causing much anxiety in oil-producing states. From Iran to Venezuela, many have come to rely on elevated oil prices to fuel economic growth and support government spending.

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Blog: Shuffling the decks: quick fixes versus long-term stability [\(http://www.developmentprogress.org/blog/2015/01/22/shuffling-decks-quick-fixes-versus-long-term-stability\)](#)

Development Progress Blog. Ahead of the launch of our case studies on security progress in Liberia and Timor-Leste, Suda Perera writes on the risk that 'quick fixes' to violent conflict pose to development in the long-term. Taking the example of the Democratic Republic of Congo, she outlines the pitfalls of empowering warring parties and the challenging reality that good elections do not necessarily result in good democracy.

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