



THE CENTRE FOR APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY

The Centre for Applied Psychology (CAP) is located within the University's School of Psychology and is home to 30 forensic and clinical psychologists and applied researchers with specialisms in forensic and clinical psychology. Also affiliated with the Centre are the University's educational psychologists from the School of Education and the University's occupational psychologists from People and Organisational Development (POD).

TEACHING

We deliver professional training courses to the next generation of clinical, forensic, forensic-clinical and educational psychologists, and Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) practitioners. These include:

- The only Doctorate in Forensic and Clinical Psychology in the UK
- The only Postgraduate Diploma in Compassion Focused Therapy in the world
- Doctorate in Clinical Psychology
- Doctorate in Forensic Psychology
- Masters of Research in Clinical Psychology
- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy High Intensity Postgraduate Diploma
- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy Postgraduate Diploma
- MSci in Psychology and Psychological Practice
- Applied Educational and Child Psychology Doctorate



RESEARCH

We conduct excellent research with real-world application which we achieve through our practice, consultancy and engagement with stake-holders.

Our areas of expertise include cutting edge research and practice in the areas of major mental illness (eg, anxiety, depression, PTSD, psychosis), learning disabilities, brain injury and rehabilitation, coeliac disease, burnout, occupational stress, vicarious trauma and worker wellbeing, personality disorder, pathways to offending in youth and adults, eyewitness testimony, memory and the legal system,

sexual violence against children and adults both on- and off-line, suspect prioritisation, crime linkage and terrorism.

Our research and practice includes consideration of the wellbeing of the individual, family units, organisations and society as a whole.

In our research and teaching, we utilise the full range of research methods: systematic reviews, meta-synthesis, meta-analysis, qualitative analysis techniques and advanced statistics and modelling.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

IN THE LAST 18 MONTHS WE HAVE:

- Received five awards and been nominated for a further six for the excellence of our research, impact and teaching.
- Received commendations from our accrediting bodies (eg, British Psychological Society, British Association of Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies) for the quality of our courses, the dedication of our teams and the excellence of the research we conduct.
- Implemented new teaching initiatives including:
 - (1) a co-teaching initiative to integrate existing teaching across our Forensic and Clinical Psychology courses to benefit our trainees through access to a greater spread of research methods expertise and enhance their sense of community;
 - (2) an Experts By Experience Steering Committee (EBESC) across all our courses.
- Had more than 100 students successfully graduate from our courses in 2017.
- Published and had accepted for publication more than 55 journal articles, books and book chapters.
- Been awarded grants in excess of £4,500,000
- Hosted academic collaborators from the US, Canada, Australia and Thailand.
- Trained police officers and police staff in multiple countries, mental health professionals in the NHS and overseas, Third Sector organisations, and military personnel.
- Provided consultancy to the Home Office, the National Police Chief's Council, Police and Crime Commissioners, UK Police Forces.
- Given more than 20 keynote addresses and invited presentations in the UK, Australia, Kenya, Spain and the US.
- Given speeches at the House of Commons and contributed to Government inquiries.
- Contributed to the development of new ethical guidelines for psychologists.
- Taken part in and hosted various public engagement events, including the ESRC Social Sciences Festival, A Pint of Science, the British Science Festival, and the Centre for Crime, Justice and Policing's annual showcase event.



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