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Seminars and Events

Department of Sociology Seminar
Monday 30 January
Manor Road Building, Seminar Room G, 12.30

All Welcome,

Fabien Accominotti, London School of Economics

‘How Cultural Capital Emerged in Gilded Age America: Musical Purification and Cross-Class Inclusion at the New York Philharmonic’

Abstract
This talk uses a new database of subscribers to the New York Philharmonic to explore how high culture was constituted as cultural capital in late nineteenth-century America. The database has information on who subscribed to the Philharmonic between 1880 and 1910 – the key period of institutionalization of high culture in the United States, and in the city of New York in particular. In analyzing these data I seek to understand how culture became a resource for elite status in that era. I find support for the classic account of purification and exclusiveness of high culture, showing how over the long Gilded Age the social elite of New York attended the Philharmonic both increasingly and in more socially patterned ways. Yet I also find that the orchestra opened up to a new group of subscribers who did not share the social practices, occupational background, or residential choices of more elite patrons. These new members hailed from the professional, managerial and intellectual middle class that was then forming in U.S. cities. The rise of that educated class paved a specific way to the emergence of cultural capital, as it made possible to share elite culture beyond the ranks of the elite alone. I further show that the inclusion of these new members was segregated, by which I mean that they did not mingle with elites inside the concert hall. Thus, greater distinctiveness and greater inclusiveness happened together at the Philharmonic, enabling elite culture to remain distinctive while it also acquired broader social currency.
**Fabien Accominotti** joined the London School of Economics as an assistant professor of sociology after receiving his Ph.D. from Columbia University. He is interested in issues of social status and status inequality: why people and groups are perceived as more or less valuable, and how this affects their social outcomes. His first book, *Market Chains* (to be published by Princeton University Press) explores the role of the market in the consecration of modern artists in Paris between 1870 and 1930. In more recent work he has studied cultural hierarchy and its role in cementing the status of elites in Gilded Age America. Other current projects include an analysis of the relations between old and new elites in the Bay Area, and a study of collaborations and careers in the creative industries.

A sandwich lunch will be provided

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**Nuffield College Sociology Seminar**

Clay Room, Nuffield College at 5.00pm

Wednesday 25th January

A time for a crime: Collecting spatially and temporally referenced data on victims, offenders, and guardians to study where and when crime happens

Stijn Ruiter,
Senior Researcher, Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR) and Professor of Social and Spatial Aspects of Deviant Behavior at Utrecht University
http://www.stijnruiter.nl/

One-to-one meetings: If anyone would like to meet with Stijn Ruiter on Wednesday, please follow the link below:
http://doodle.com/poll/3ev7q3wgrxz29tba, all one-to-one meetings will take place in the JCR. The seminar starts at 5pm, and runs for an hour. Please see abstract below:

**ABSTRACT:** Crime is highly clustered in both space and time. In order to understand where and when it happens we need research designs that allow us to follow offenders, potential victims and guardians through space and time. Even though traditional face-to-face interviews have for a large part been replaced with web-based alternatives, most empirical research in criminology and sociology still employs relatively traditional survey methodologies. Respondents are generally asked to retrospectively and subjectively report about their behavior and experiences in the past. With smartphone penetration rates of well over 90 percent among adolescents and young adults in the Netherlands, smartphones and other wearable technologies have the potential to revolutionize social scientific data collection. Such novel technologies for data collection also allow researchers to design prospective studies to collect objective behavioral measures instead of subjective accounts by respondents. This presentation illustrates the benefits and pitfalls of using such novel ways of data collection with recently collected data among the Dutch YES! panel. Using a dedicated smartphone survey app for both Android and iOS platforms, time-use, experiences with crime, and respondent's whereabouts were collected.

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**Nuffield Social Network Seminar**

Hillary Term 2017
Nuffield College: Butler Room, Tuesdays at 5pm
Week 2: Dr. Bernie Hogan (University of Oxford):
Personal Network Capture among At-Risk Youth: Exploring Online Dating and Safer Sex Practices Structurally

Week 4: Prof. Michael Windzio (Bremen University):
Social networks, migration and the integration of immigrants

Week 6: Dr. Zso_a Boda (ETHZ):
TBA

Week 8: Prof. Martin Everett (University of Manchester):
Attribute-based Network Measurements: Working with Overlapping Group Memberships.

Participants are invited to join the speakers after the seminar for further questions & discussion. Drinks will be provided.
For abstracts and updates, please see:

https://www.nuffield.ox.ac.uk/Research/Sociology%20Group/Pages/Nuffield%20Network%20Seminar.aspx

Conveners: Federico Varese and Janne Jonsson
Organisers: Robert L Hellpap and Laurin B Weissinger

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Please see below for the ICT4D talks this term

Title: Spatializing publics: mobile social media, urban sociability and the materiality of civic engagement
Speaker: Dr Wendy Willems
Date: 21 February @ 16:30
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

Title: What makes cities successful? A complex systems approach to modelling urban economies
Speaker: Dr Neave O’Clery
Date: 28 February @ 16:30
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

Title: How do low-income users negotiate new practices of identity in a connected, digital age?
Speaker: Dr Savita Bailur
Date: 9 March @ 16:30
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

Title: The Corruption of Capitalism: Why Rentiers thrive and Work does not pay
Speaker: Guy Standing
Date: 14 March @ 16:30
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

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Oxford Transitional Justice Research (OTJR) presents
Cynthia Chamberlain
Children and the International Criminal Court: Lessons Learnt and Policies for the Future
25 Jan 2016, 5:00PM
Abstract:
The speaker, who has worked as a legal officer in the ICC Chambers since 2006, will analyse the ICC's legal framework, case law and practice from a children's rights perspective. She will share her insight of ICC cases and how they have complied (or failed to do so) with international children's human rights standards, particularly the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Looking into current ICC cases and future investigations, the speaker will give details on the recently adopted “Policy on Children”, which although adopted by the Office of the Prosecutor, may ultimately have bearing in future ICC practice and case law.

Bio:
Cynthia Chamberlain (San José, Costa Rica, 1977) has had a passion for international law and human rights law from a very early age. She obtained her law degree (with honours) from the University of Costa Rica and was admitted to the Costa Rican Bar and appointed as a Public Notary in 2003. In 2005 she obtained a Diploma de Estudios Avanzados (DEA) from the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid and the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain. She obtained her PhD in International Law from Leiden University, the Netherlands in 2014. From 2000 to 2003, Cynthia worked with the Instituto Latinoamericano de las Naciones Unidas para la Prevención del Delito y el Tratamiento del Delincuente (ILANUD) in Costa Rica, where she worked in the then ratification campaign for the entry into force of the Rome Statute. She also represented non-governmental organisations, presenting a shadow reports to the CEDAW Committee between 2000 and 2002. Since 2006, Cynthia works as a Legal Officer in the Chambers of the International Criminal Court. In 2015, she participated in the expert roundtables leading to the adoption of the Office of the Prosecutor’s “Policy on Children”.

Sponsor
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The Seminar in the Series on ‘Contemporary Medical Perspectives on Ageing” at the Institute of Population Ageing (66 Banbury Road, OX2 6PR) this Thursday 26 January at 2.00 -3.30pm will be a talk by Dr Alex Richardson from the Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford. Her talk will be on “Population ageing and brain health: the role of nutrition in mental resilience”.

Abstract

In modern, developed countries like the UK, rising life expectancy over the last century has led to an increasing proportion of people living for many years beyond retirement. This presents both opportunities and challenges for individuals and society, with the balance depending heavily on how ageing impacts on physical and mental health and resilience. This presentation will focus on the role of nutrition and other lifestyle factors in mental health in older adults, drawing on the latest research evidence from the UK and other countries. This indicates that cognitive decline and dementia are not inevitable consequences of ageing, but instead reflect a complex interplay of genetic and environmental risk factors, with diet and lifestyle playing key roles. Aspects of the typical UK diet that appear to increase the risk of age-related cognitive decline and dementia as well as poor physical health include: excessive consumption of sugar and refined carbohydrates, a relative lack of long-chain omega-3 fats; deficiencies in key micronutrients (notably some of the B vitamins), and low intakes of vegetables and fruits. Key research findings will be summarised, and their practical implications discussed.

Dr Alex Richardson - Speaker’s Profile

Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Evidence-Based Intervention, University of Oxford; and Founder Director of the UK charity Food And Behaviour (FAB) Research.
Alex Richardson is internationally known for her research into the role of nutrition on brain development and function - and its implications for human behaviour, learning and mood. Her work includes controlled treatment trials in both general and clinical populations, experimental studies of possible underlying mechanisms, and collaborative investigations into the epidemiology and genetics of both normal individual differences and psychological disorders.

All are welcome, no need to register to attend. Join us for coffee and cake afterwards.
For queries please contact: administrator@ageing.ox.ac.uk
For more information please see: www.ageing.ox.ac.uk or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.
The programme is also available here: http://www.ageing.ox.ac.uk/files/Hilary%202017seminar%20programe%202011_01_2017.pdf

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PUBLIC SEMINAR SERIES | 5PM, WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY

Divided by a shared agenda: the humanitarian response to the crisis in Syria
James Darcy (Lead consultant for the UN-commissioned Whole of Syria Review, and former Vice-Chair of Oxfam GB)

Seminar Room 3, Oxford Department of International Development,
3 Mansfield Road, Oxford, OX1 3TB

RSC Public Seminar Series, Hilary Term:
'PERSPECTIVES ON THE SYRIAN CONFLICT'
Convenor: Leïla Vignal

This seminar series aims at shedding light on different aspects of the Syrian conflict in order to provide a better understanding of it. It also discusses the consequences of the situation in Syria for the international community, for humanitarian organisations, but also for the legal infrastructures put in place since the Second World War with regard to international humanitarian laws, human rights, and refugee protection.

The seminar series is supported by the Maison Française d'Oxford.

About the speaker

James Darcy has more than 20 years' experience of working in the humanitarian sector. As Humanitarian Coordinator at Oxfam GB in the 1990s, he oversaw programmes in East and Central Africa, the Balkans, the Middle East, and South and East Asia. Subsequently, as director of the Humanitarian Policy Group at ODI in London, and then Senior Research Fellow, he specialized in needs assessment, food security, civilian protection and the analysis of aid-related risk. He was closely involved in the development of the Sphere Minimum Standards and was responsible for drafting the related Humanitarian Charter. James now practices as a freelance consultant, conducting humanitarian response evaluations and organizational reviews for international non-governmental organizations and United Nations agencies. He is lead consultant for the UN-commissioned Whole of Syria Review.

Light refreshments will be provided after the event.

SEMINAR PODCASTS
Many of our public seminars and lectures are made available to listen to online or download after the event.

Find our podcasts here, including Professor Dawn Chatty giving a historical perspective on Syria and its refugees, and Patrick Kingsley (Migration correspondent, the Guardian) giving the Annual Harrell-Bond Lecture 2016.

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**Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism**

Please see below our internal seminars for week 2 of Hilary term. For the full list of seminars this term, please see the attached term cards.

Please note that the Wednesday seminar this week will take place in the main lecture theatre at GTC.

**Wednesday 25 January**

2:00pm The Business and Practice of Journalism Seminar, Speaker: Rachel Oldroyd, managing editor, The Bureau of Investigative Journalism, ‘Making an impact with journalism in today’s 24/7 digital news landscape’, EP Abraham Lecture Theatre, Green Templeton College

**Friday 27 January**

5:00pm Media and Politics Seminar, Speaker: Diana Zimmermann, London correspondent for ZDF German public television, ‘A German experience of covering Brexit’, Butler Room, Nuffield College

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**Stonewall Allies Programme**

Date: 14 February 2017  
Time: 9:30 am – 5:00 pm (registration from 9-9:30am)  
Location: Abbot’s Kitchen, Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory, South Parks Road, Oxford

The Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division (MPLS) is pleased to host the Stonewall Allies Programme, a one-day training that gives non-LGBT individuals the opportunity to explore what it means an ally and the space to identify how they are going to create an inclusive environment for everyone.

Through reflecting on the relevance and impact of your identity, you’re able to find achievable ways to step up as an ally. You’ll leave the programme with a concrete plan about what you are going to do, and how.

The programme offers you:
- Insight into what it means to be yourself
- An understanding of what it means to be an ally
- An opportunity to explore and develop inclusive behaviours and approaches
- Practical ways to step up as an ally
- Active listening skills and techniques for having good quality conversations
- Increased motivation and confidence to become a visible and influential ally
- A network of peers from across a range of sectors and communities

For further details, please see the following link: [www.stonewall.org.uk/get-involved/get-involved-ind-and-comm/allies-programme](http://www.stonewall.org.uk/get-involved/get-involved-ind-and-comm/allies-programme)

To register, please contact diversity@mpls.ox.ac.uk to book your place.
Muslims in Britain Discussion Group


Presenter: Professor Mark Halstead (Azman Hashim Fellow & Muslims in Britain Unit coordinator, OCIS).
The Muslims in Britain research unit at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies invites students and academics interested in the broad area of Muslims in the West to join us for a fortnightly informal discussion group over tea and cake. These meetings are intended to be interdisciplinary and open to all levels of knowledge. The plan is for one member to speak for 10-15 minutes on a topical matter, and then open it up for a wider discussion. In Hilary Term, the meetings will be held on Wednesday afternoons in Weeks 2, 4, 6 and 8.

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NEW EVENT NOTIFICATION

**OII**

Title: Twenty Years, Thirty-five Countries: Digital Media Effects on Participation
Speaker: Shelley Boulianne
Date: 9 March @ 17:15
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

Popular and academic discourses characterize the effects of digital media as revolutionary, but the true effects are blurred by a multiplicity of studies with conflicting results. This meta-analysis project examines almost 300 studies conducted on the relationship between digital media use and participation in civic and political life across the globe. Unlike other meta-analysis in this field (Boulianne, 2009, 2015; Skoric et al., 2016 a,b), the focus of this analysis is at the study-level. The focus on study-level analysis, combined with a large sample of studies, allows for an examination of how the effects of digital media change across time and how the effects differ across the globe. As digital media use increases, are the effects growing? Do the effects increase gradually or is there a period marking a dramatic or revolutionary change in effects? Finally, to what extent can we discuss the global effects of digital media? Can the pattern of effects be explained by political system, the degree of press freedom, or geographic region? This research seeks to bring structure to the multitude of studies in this field of research and provide clarity in this area of research. Clarifying findings will help devise culturally-appropriate strategies to optimize the use of digital media in civic and political life. This research can inform civic organizations, governments and political campaigns' investments in digital media.

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NEW EVENT NOTIFICATION

**OII**

Title: Harder, Better, Faster, Stronger: International Law and the Future of Online PsyOps
Speaker: Tim Hwang
Date: 20 February @ 17:15
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

Recent years have seen an explosion of activity from states and non-state actors seeking to manipulate online political discourse at home and abroad. These efforts have leveraged a range of different techniques, from the use of swarms of automated bots to the systemic spreading of misleading or outright fabricated information through social media. Most dramatically, recent revelations at the time of writing have suggested that the use of these techniques by the Russian government may have played a role in swaying the outcome of the 2016 US presidential election.

Read more on the OII Events Website.
NEW EVENT NOTIFICATION

Title: **OII Colloquia**: Simulating simple social mechanisms to explain puzzles in collective online behaviour
Speaker: Felix Reed-Tsochas
Date: 26 January @ 17:15
Location: Seminar Room, 1 St Giles
Registration: Please register on Eventbrite

We are pleased to announce Felix Reed-Tsochas as the first speaker of this new series, the OII Colloquia. This series brings senior speakers from other departments at the University of Oxford to the Oxford Internet Institute on Thursday evening of week 2 and 7.

Talk Abstract:

Given that human activities increasingly are mediated by or take place in online environments, we are afforded with novel opportunities for understanding how collective, population-level phenomena and outcomes can be related to individual behaviours. My talk will consider a family of simple generative models to represent the collective behaviour of millions of social networking site users who make choices between different software applications that they can install. The proposed models incorporate two distinct social mechanisms: (1) imitative behaviour reflecting the influence of recent installation activities of other users; (2) rich-get-richer popularity dynamics where users are influenced by the cumulative popularity of each application. Interestingly, although various combinations of the two mechanisms yield long-time behaviour that is consistent with data, the only models that reproduce the observed temporal dynamics well are those that strongly emphasize the recent installation activities of other users over their cumulative popularity. Hence social imitation seems to be especially important in this information rich environment. Methodologically, our work demonstrates that even when using purely observational data, as opposed to experimental research designs, temporal data-driven modelling can in fact under some circumstances effectively distinguish between competing microscopic mechanisms, providing novel insights into collective online behaviour.

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Conference/Call for abstracts/papers

**Conference Invitation, Bulgaria 2017**

We have the pleasure of inviting you to participate in conferences, part of International Scientific Events 2017, to be held in Hotel "Royal Castle", Elenite on the Bulgarian Black Sea Coast (EU).

**Conferences in June**
Agriculture & Food, 5th International Conference (20-24 Jun) [Read more]
Ecology & Safety, 26th International Conference (23-27 Jun) [Read more]
Materials, Methods & Technologies, 19th International Conference (26-30 Jun) [Read more]

**Conferences in September**
Economy & Business, 16th International Conference (1-5 Sep) [Read more]
Education, Research & Development, 8th International Conference (4-8 Sep) [Read more]
Language, Individual & Society, 11th International Conference (7-11 Sep) [Read more]

Annually our events connect scientists and researchers from **over 40 countries**.
The papers presented will be **published in open-access journals**, part of International Scientific Publications.
BIGSSS and Bertelsmann Stiftung are jointly organizing the 2017 summer school “Social Cohesion in a World of Increasing Diversity” that will take place from June 25th-July 1st at Jacobs University, Bremen, Germany.

Up to 15 international participants will have the opportunity to present and discuss their own projects as well as attend presentations by international experts and discuss conceptual and methodological issues that are in relation to social cohesion.

BIGSSS – The Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences

invites applications to participate in its summer school

Social Cohesion in a World of Increasing Diversity

Bremen, June 25 – July 1, 2017

In 2017, the Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS) and Bertelsmann Stiftung jointly organize a summer school on “Social Cohesion in a World of Increasing Diversity.” The summer school focuses on the interplay between social cohesion, on the one hand, and cultural, ethnic, and religious plurality, on the other, in times of societal transformations and increasing migration flows around the globe. Participants will have the opportunity to assess and discuss the impact of socio-structural, institutional, political as well as individual factors on social cohesion at different levels of societal organization. Next to the question as to what promotes social cohesion, the summer school pays equal attention to the importance of cohesion for the well-being of social entities and individuals both in the OECD World and the Global South in light of key indicators.

The aim of the BIGSSS summer school program is to support early stage social scientists by opening a cross-border dialogue on theoretical questions and methodological approaches to current matters of social science research. Participants experience a stimulating scientific environment that offers them the opportunity to actively engage in discussions with a multidisciplinary international and Bremen faculty as well as other MA and PhD students working on similar issues.

BIGSSS organizes summer schools on highly relevant research topics related to one of the school’s three thematic fields. In the past, BIGSSS summer schools have been co-funded by renowned partners such as the Volkswagen Foundation, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and the Mercator Foundation. BIGSSS summer schools have always featured prolific keynote speakers and will also do so in 2017. Suggestions by potential participants are still welcome.

What to expect?
The summer school on “Social Cohesion” will take place in Bremen from June 25 to July 1, 2017. The working language is English.
The seven-day program consists of:
- presentations by international experts
- discussion of conceptual and methodological issues
- presentations and discussion of participants’ own projects

we invite all those interested to send their documents until 15th of February to this address: cohesion2017@bigss-bremen.de

Please feel free to forward this call on to any potentially interested parties.
Associate Professorship in Sociology

The Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Copenhagen, invites applications for a position as Associate Professor in Sociology. The position is available from September 1st, 2017 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Qualifications
Appointment as Associate Professor requires research and teaching qualifications at the level that can be achieved by satisfactorily completing a period of employment at the level of assistant professor or equivalent. Emphasis will be put on the applicant’s qualifications in relation to:
- The proven ability to consolidate a strong research profile, including publications in leading international, peer-reviewed journals, possibly supplemented with research monographs with high ranking academic publishers
- The proven ability to deliver high quality teaching
- Attracting and conducting externally funded research projects
- The ability to support the department’s ambition to strengthen its international standing and outreach through participation in international networks and international research collaboration
- Experience in research dissemination to the public and relevant stakeholders
- The ability to contribute to the development of the department’s different study programmes

For further information please see http://employment.ku.dk/faculty/?show=883736

CALL FOR PRESENTERS!

Connected Life 2017: Digital Inequalities
A multidisciplinary Internet research conference at the University of Oxford
Monday, 19 June 2017

Connected Life 2017 is a student-run day-long conference dedicated to igniting multidisciplinary exchanges and showcasing exciting Internet research. We welcome students and faculty from all departments. Connected Life 2017, organized by students at the Oxford Internet Institute, will foster collaborations within and beyond Oxford in pursuit of an enhanced understanding of the Internet and its multifaceted effects upon society.

We invite the submission of proposals for presentations on ongoing or recent research from individual authors or multiple contributors. Proposals that address our key thematic questions are particularly encouraged: What is digital inequality? Where does it occur? How does it impact our connected life?

Please visit the Connected Life Conference website for full information about the call for papers and to submit. Submissions are due by Tuesday, 28 February 2017. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to email connectedlife@oii.ox.ac.uk.

Thomas Vogl & Sian Brooke

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Connected Life 2017 Conference Chairs
connectedlife@oii.ox.ac.uk @OxConnectedLife
I am looking for a research assistant for the project “Prestige for all? A field experiment on the effect of educational credentials on the employment opportunities of different ethnic groups”, funded by a British Academy Small Research Grant. We will send fictitious applications to employers that are advertising vacancies for graduate occupations in the British labour market. This project will seek answers to three questions: Are graduates from ethnic minorities treated unfairly during the hiring process? If so, does the gap in employment chances vary across ethnic groups? Can specific educational credentials mitigate discrimination?

The post holder will be employed from February 1st to the 31st of August, for a total of approximately 360 project hours. S/he will be involved in the planning of the field experiment, the preparation of the material, the data collection and the preparation of a paper based on the results. Preferably, I am looking for somebody with a good understanding of the British education system and an interest in discrimination and labour market sociology. The post holder will be supervised by Professor Anthony Heath and myself. Please do not hesitate to forward this email to people you think who may be a good fit.

Valentina di Stasio

Please email valentina.distasio@nuffield.ox.ac.uk with a copy of your CV and a letter of application, by the closing date of 2nd February 2017.

Mansfield College are advertising a Visiting Fellowship, with a deadline of 12pm on 31st March 2017. Please could I ask you to circulate this to your mailing lists?

Visiting Fellowship 2017-18

The College Governing Body proposes to elect a Visiting Fellow for all or part of the academic year 2017-18 (8th October 2017 to 30th September 2018). The purpose of the Fellowship, which is non-stipendiary, is to provide a congenial base for visiting scholars, either from abroad or from the UK, to conduct research in Oxford, to have access to Oxford libraries, and to use the College as a means of establishing contact with other scholars in the College and the University.

The deadline for applications is 12 noon on 31st March 2017.

Mansfield; Visiting Fellowship 2017-18; noon, 31 March 2017; https://www.mansfield.ox.ac.uk/vacancies

St Hilda’s Feminist Salon presents...

Sisters of Frida (experimental collective of disabled women)
Friday 27 January, 5-7pm
Reserve your place

Salons are held in the Senior Common Room, St Hilda’s College, Cowley Place, OX4 1DY. All are welcome. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.
IT Courses
There are many ways you engage with your research and project stakeholders. We can give you guidance on the tools you might use whether that engagement is web-based, print-based or screen-based. Take a look at the following courses and workshops

There is still time to take advantage of our early-bird 20% discount!
To receive your discount use the code JAN2017 at the end of the checking out process. This code can be used until midnight on 22nd January to book courses scheduled Jan-March 2017
See http://help.it.ox.ac.uk/courses/discountcode for terms and conditions.

Online presence: Taking control
Date: 23/01/2017 14:00 - 17:00
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15
Creating an online presence can open up your research and teaching (or any interest!) to a global audience and is now essential in promoting yourself professionally to the outside world.
This 3-hour workshop offers a comprehensive introduction to online presence and also gives a supported environment for you to plan, create, and add to your own projects.
Book and pay for a place: https://oxford.imparando.com/accessplan/LMSPortal/UI/Page/Basket.aspx?coursedateid=25237

Using CSS to enhance your online presence
Date: 15/02/2017 14:00 - 17:00
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15
CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) are used to add style and layout to web pages. This introductory course will cover creating styles that include borders, fonts, colour and placement choices using the BlueFish editor. We will use layout templates to help with this process and affect the whole character of your site.
Book and pay for a place: https://oxford.imparando.com/accessplan/LMSPortal/UI/Page/Basket.aspx?coursedateid=25264

Using HTML to create an online presence
Date: 30/01/2017 14:00 - 17:00
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15
This is an introductory workshop in creating simple web pages. You will use a free, open Source editor to enable you to understand the basics of using HTML, the underlying language of web pages.
Book and pay for a place: https://oxford.imparando.com/accessplan/LMSPortal/UI/Page/Basket.aspx?coursedateid=25265

Using WordPress to create an online presence
Date: 01/03/2017 14:00 - 17:00
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15
Use WordPress to create an academic online presence and promote yourself professionally to the world. Work in a supported environment for you to plan, create and set up a WordPress site and/or blog.
Book and pay for a place: https://oxford.imparando.com/accessplan/LMSPortal/UI/Page/Basket.aspx?coursedateid=25266

Posters: Improving your research posters
Date: 01/02/2017 17:15 - 20:15
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15
This three-hour workshop has two parts. The first part is a discussion and talk about poster design. This emphasises how the design process should be approached in PowerPoint, but there is much that is also applicable in other tools. The second part is a workshop where you are encouraged to bring along your own resources and start to create your own poster. If you are not yet ready to do this, there will be resources available that you can use to create a practice poster.
Book and pay for a place: https://oxford.imparando.com/accessplan/LMSPortal/UI/Page/Basket.aspx?coursedateid=25240
Presentations: Improving your presentations  
Date: 13/02/2017 09:15 - 12:15  
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15  
This workshop builds upon the basic skills that you have in using PowerPoint (or other preferred presentation tool), to help you create effective presentations. The emphasis is on good presentation design rather than the use of the software, and you will have an opportunity to try out some of the techniques covered. 
Book and pay for a place:  

Prezi: Improving your Prezi presentation  
Date: 21/02/2017 09:15 - 12:15  
Full price: Staff £30/Students £15  
Prezi is an on-line presentation tool often used in place of PowerPoint and Keynote. It enables both linear and ad-hoc presentations to be created, with one of its strengths being that these can be easily shared and developed collaboratively. In this session you will create a Prezi presentation.  
Book and pay for a place:  

Linux: A comprehensive introduction  
03/02/2017 09:15 - 16:15  
This course, delivered as a whole day session, will give you a comprehensive introduction to Linux (the open source operating system). The course gives a brief background to Linux - where it came from, how it is made and who uses it. You will explore the command line, and learn how to build your own commands. You will be introduced to shell scripting as a way to automate tasks. Finally, you will take a look at the standard Linux office applications, and be shown how to find and install other useful programs.  
This course is aimed at anybody who is curious about exploring Linux for their daily computing  
Direct booking link:  

Hand Press Printing: Learning the Basics  
There are still a few places on offer to University of Oxford academic staff to learn the basics of hand press printing and typesetting using the Bodleian’s printing studio. No previous experience is necessary.  
In the three-hour taster session, an instructor will introduce the materials and equipment in the Bibliographic Press.  
The session will take place in the Bibliographic Press, Schola Musicae, Old Schools Quadrangle (Old Bodleian) on the dates below:  
Session 1: Monday 13 February 17:15-20:15  
Session 2: Thursday 2 March 17:15-20:15  
Session 3: Saturday 4 March 10:00-13:00  
If you would like to book a place, please contact the Bodleian Staff Development team at staff-dev@bodleian.ox.ac.uk.