

MICHAEL BIGGS

Employment

- 2025– Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Oxford; Fellow of St Cross College
- 2006–25 Lecturer / Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Oxford; Fellow of St Cross College
- 2005–06 Lecturer, School of Sociology and Social Policy, Queen’s University Belfast
- 2003–05 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2000–02 Junior Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Oxford; Non-stipendiary Research Fellow of Nuffield College

Education

- 2000 Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology, Harvard University: ‘The Rise and Decline of a Mass Movement: American Workers and the Strike Wave of 1886’ (Chair: Theda Skocpol)
- 1991 Bachelor of Arts—First Class Honours, History and Economic History, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand

Peer-reviewed articles ([Google scholar](#))

‘Comparing Transgender Identities in the Census of Scotland and the Census of England and Wales’ (research note), *British Journal of Sociology*, vol. 77, 2026, pp. 163–69; [DOI 10.1111/1468-4446.70030](https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-4446.70030)

‘Gender Identity in the 2021 Census of England and Wales: How a Flawed Question Created Spurious Data’, *Sociology*, vol. 58, 2024, pp. 1305–23; [DOI 10.1177/00380385241240441](https://doi.org/10.1177/00380385241240441); highly commended for ‘Emerging Impact’ by the University of Oxford’s Social Science Division (March 2025)

‘Feminism and Support for the Transgender Movement in Britain’ (visualization), *Socius*, vol. 10, 2024; [DOI 10.1177/23780231241237662](https://doi.org/10.1177/23780231241237662) (Stata program provided as [DOI 10.7910/DVN/6KIEK7](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/6KIEK7))

Leor Sapir, Lisa Littman, and Michael Biggs, ‘The U.S. Transgender Survey of 2015 Supports Rapid-Onset Gender Dysphoria: Revisiting the “Age of Realization and Disclosure of Gender Identity Among Transgender Adults”’, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, vol. 53, 2024, pp. 863–68; [DOI 10.1007/s10508-023-02754-9](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-023-02754-9)

‘The Dutch Protocol for Juvenile Transsexuals: Origins and Evidence’, *Journal of Sex and Marital Therapy*, vol. 49, 2023, pp. 348–68; [DOI 10.1080/0092623X.2022.2121238](https://doi.org/10.1080/0092623X.2022.2121238) (Stata program provided as [DOI 10.7910/DVN/QPRC1](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/QPRC1))

‘Suicide by Clinic-Referred Transgender Adolescents in the United Kingdom’, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, vol. 51, 2022, pp. 685–90; [DOI 10.1007/s10508-022-02287-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-022-02287-7) (supplement provides data)

‘Queer Theory and the Transition from Sex to Gender in English Prisons’, *Journal of Controversial Ideas*, vol. 2, 2022, 21 pp.; [DOI 10.35995/jci02010002](https://doi.org/10.35995/jci02010002)

‘Gender Dysphoria and Psychological Functioning in Adolescents Treated with GnRHa: Comparing Dutch and English Prospective Studies’, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, vol. 49, 2020, pp. 2231–2236; [DOI 10.1007/s10508-020-01764-1](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-020-01764-1) (Stata program provided as [DOI 10.7910/DVN/CB1IUH](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/CB1IUH))

‘Puberty Blockers and Suicidality in Adolescents Suffering from Gender Dysphoria’, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, vol. 49, 2020, pp. 2227–29; [DOI 10.1007/s10508-020-01743-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-020-01743-6)

Michael Biggs, Christopher Barrie and Kenneth T. Andrews, ‘Did Local Civil Rights Protest Liberalize Whites’ Racial Attitudes?’, *Research and Politics*, vol. 7, 2020, pp. 1–8; [DOI 10.1177/053168020914757](https://doi.org/10.1177/053168020914757) (data and Stata programs provided as [DOI 10.7910/DVN/UIRLFC](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/UIRLFC))

‘Size Matters: Quantifying Protest by Counting Participants’, *Sociological Methods and Research*, vol. 47, 2018, pp. 351–83; [DOI 10.1177/0049124116629166](https://doi.org/10.1177/0049124116629166) (supplement provides data and Stata programs)

Neil F. Ketchley and Michael Biggs, ‘The Educational Contexts of Islamist Activism: Elite Students and Religious Institutions in Egypt’, *Mobilization*, vol. 22, 2017, pp. 57–76; [DOI 10.17813/1086-671X-22-1-57](https://doi.org/10.17813/1086-671X-22-1-57)

Juta Kawalerowicz (my DPhil student) and Michael Biggs, ‘Anarchy in the U.K.: Economic Deprivation, Social Disorganization, and Political Grievances in the London Riot of 2011’, *Social Forces*, vol. 94, 2015, pp. 673–98; [DOI 10.1093/sf/sov052](https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/sov052)

Michael Biggs and Kenneth T. Andrews, ‘Protest Campaigns and Movement Success: Desegregating the U.S. South in the Early 1960s’, *American Sociological Review*, vol. 80, 2015, pp. 416–43; [DOI 10.1177/0003122415574328](https://doi.org/10.1177/0003122415574328) (data provided as [ICPSR 35630](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/ICPSR35630))

‘Has Protest Increased Since the 1970s? How a Survey Question Can Construct a Spurious Trend’, *British Journal of Sociology*, vol. 66, no. 1, 2015, pp. 141–62; [DOI 10.1111/1468-4446.12099](https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-4446.12099) (supplement provides data and Stata programs)

‘How Repertoires Evolve: The Diffusion of Suicide Protest in the Twentieth Century’, *Mobilization*, vol. 18, 2013, pp. 407–28; [DOI 10.17813/maiq.18.4.njnu779530x55082](https://doi.org/10.17813/maiq.18.4.njnu779530x55082)

Raheel Dhattiwala (my DPhil student) and Michael Biggs, ‘The Political Logic of Ethnic Violence: The Anti-Muslim Pogrom in Gujarat, 2002’, *Politics and Society*, vol. 40, 2012, pp. 481–514; [DOI 10.1177/0032329212461125](https://doi.org/10.1177/0032329212461125)

Michael Biggs and Steven Knauss (my MSc student), ‘Explaining Membership in the British National Party: A Multilevel Analysis of Contact and Threat’, *European Sociological Review*, vol. 28, 2012, pp. 633–46; [DOI 10.1093/esr/jcr031](https://doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcr031)

‘Who Joined the Sit-ins and Why: Southern Black Students in the Early 1960s’, *Mobilization*, vol. 11, 2006, pp. 241–56; [DOI 10.17813/maiq.11.3.011507x736926w68](https://doi.org/10.17813/maiq.11.3.011507x736926w68)

Kenneth T. Andrews and Michael Biggs (equal contribution), ‘The Dynamics of Protest Diffusion: Movement Organizations, Social Networks, and News Media in the 1960 Sit-Ins’, *American Sociological Review*, vol. 71, 2006, pp. 752–77; [DOI 10.1177/000312240607100503](https://doi.org/10.1177/000312240607100503) (data provided as [ICPSR 35630](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/ICPSR35630))

‘Strikes as Forest Fires: Chicago and Paris in the Late 19th Century’, *American Journal of Sociology*, vol. 110, 2005, pp. 1684–1714; [DOI 10.1086/427675](https://doi.org/10.1086/427675)

‘Positive Feedback in Collective Mobilization: The American Strike Wave of 1886’, *Theory and Society*, vol. 32, 2003, pp. 217–54; [DOI 10.1023/A:1023905019461](https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1023905019461)

‘Strikes as Sequences of Interaction: The American Strike Wave of 1886’, *Social Science History*, vol. 26, no. 3, 2002, pp. 583–617; [DOI 10.1017/S0145553200013092](https://doi.org/10.1017/S0145553200013092); awarded biennial prize for the best article by a graduate student published in *Social Science History*

‘Putting the State on the Map: Cartography, Territory, and European State Formation’, *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, vol. 41, 1999, pp. 374–411; [DOI 10.1017/S0010417599002121](https://doi.org/10.1017/S0010417599002121)

Chapters in edited volumes

‘The Technology of Puberty Suppression’, *Sex and Gender: A Contemporary Reader*, ed. Alice Sullivan and Selina Todd, Routledge, 2023, pp. 175–93; [ISBN 978-1003286608](https://www.routledge.com/978103286608)

‘Britain’s Experiment with Puberty Blockers’, *Inventing Transgender Children and Young People*, ed. Michele Moore and Heather Brunskell-Evans, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2019, pp. 40–55; [ISBN 978-1527536388](https://www.cambridge.org/9781107053638)

Michael Biggs and Kenneth T. Andrews, ‘From Protest to Organization: The Impact of the 1960 Sit-Ins on Movement Organizations in the American South’, *The Diffusion of Social Movements: Actors, Frames, and Political Effects*, ed. Rebecca Kolins Givan, Sarah A. Soule, and Kenneth M. Roberts, Cambridge University Press, 2010, pp. 187–203 (data provided as [ICPSR 35630](https://www.icpsr.org/3/35630)); [DOI 10.1017/CBO9780511761638.011](https://doi.org/10.1017/CBO9780511761638.011)

‘Self-Fulfilling Prophecies’, *The Oxford Handbook of Analytical Sociology*, ed. Peter Bearman and Peter Hedström, Oxford University Press, 2009, pp. 294–314; [DOI 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780199215362.013.13](https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780199215362.013.13)

‘Dying without Killing: Self-Immolations, 1963–2002’, *Making Sense of Suicide Missions*, ed. Diego Gambetta, Oxford University Press, 2005 (rev. ed. 2006), pp. 173–208, 320–24; [DOI 10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199276998.003.0005](https://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199276998.003.0005)

‘Morir sin matar: las autoinmolaciones, 1963-2002’, *El sentido de las misiones suicidas*, Mexico City: Fondo de Cultura Económica, 2009; [ISBN 978-6071600110](https://www.fce.com.mx/9786071600110)

Letters to journals

‘England’s GP Patient Survey Provides Unreliable Data on Transgender Patients’, *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, vol. 53, 2024, pp. 2423–26; [DOI 10.1007/s10508-024-02897-3](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-024-02897-3)

‘Psychosocial Functioning in Transgender Youth after Hormones’, *New England Journal of Medicine*, vol. 389, 2023, pp. 1536–37; [DOI 10.1056/NEJMc2302030](https://doi.org/10.1056/NEJMc2302030)

‘Revisiting the Effect of GnRH Analogue Treatment on Bone Mineral Density in Young Adolescents with Gender Dysphoria’, *Journal of Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism*, vol. 34, 2021, pp. 937–939; [DOI 10.1515/jpem-2021-0180](https://doi.org/10.1515/jpem-2021-0180) (Stata program provided as [DOI 10.7910/DVN/FSOMME](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/FSOMME))

‘A Letter to the Editor Regarding the Original Article by Costa et al: Psychological Support, Puberty Suppression, and Psychosocial Functioning in Adolescents with Gender Dysphoria’, *Journal of Sexual Medicine*, vol. 16, 2019, p. 2043; [DOI 10.1016/j.jsxm.2019.09.002](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jsxm.2019.09.002)

Work in progress

Michael Biggs and Ace North, ‘Transgender Homicides in Britain, 2000–2025: Victims and Perpetrators’; <https://ssrn.com/abstract=6182901>

Jet London and Michael Biggs, ‘The Dutch Protocol for Gender Dysphoria in Practice: A Case Study of a Female Adolescent’, under review

‘Who Supports the “Gender Critical” Movement in Britain?’, under review; preregistered on osf.io (embargoed)

‘How Protesting Depends on Peers: U.S. Students in the 1960s’, revise and resubmit

Other publications

Michael Biggs and Alison Clayton, ‘Comment on Ciancia et al.’s “Effects of Gender-Affirming Hormone Therapy from Adolescence to Adulthood ...”, *eClinicalMedicine*, 2026’, [figshare](https://figshare.com), 9 March 2026

‘History of and Evidence for Puberty Suppression as Intervention for Children Experiencing Gender Dysphoria’, *Medico-Legal Journal*, vol. 94, 2026, pp. 7–16

‘The ONS Finally Admits to Flawed Trans Population Statistics’, *Spectator*, 15 September 2024

‘How I Took on the Puberty Blocker Orthodoxy—and Won’, *Sunday Telegraph*, 17 March 2024

‘Why does the Census Say There Are More Trans People in Newham than Brighton?’, *Spectator*, 9 April 2023

‘Turban et al.’s Incredible Assumptions About Sex’, [figshare](https://figshare.com), 4 August 2022

‘Institutional Cover: Why Are Health Talk and Oxford University Promoting GenderGP?’, *The Critic*, 4 July 2022

Michael Biggs, Joanna Briggs, and Nikki da Costa, ‘NHS CCG Referral Rates for Young People with Gender Dysphoria’, *Transgender Trend*, 21 May 2022

‘Comment on Turban et al. 2022: Estrogen is Associated with Greater Suicidality Among Transgender Males, and Puberty Suppression Is Not Associated With Better Mental Health Outcomes For Either Sex’, [figshare](https://figshare.com), 24 January 2022

‘Letter in Response to Bernadette Wren’, *Transgender Trend*, 17 December 2021

‘“Watch Me Take a Knife to Your Throat”: The Erosion of Academic Freedom at LSE Has Culminated in Threats of Physical Violence’, *The Critic*, 8 August 2021

‘The Tavistock’s Experimentation with Puberty Blockers: The Effects on Bone Density’, *Transgender Trend*, 3 May 2021

‘The Tavistock’s Experimentation with Puberty Blockers: The Belated Results’, *Transgender Trend*, 18 December 2020

‘The Tavistock’s Experimentation with Puberty Blockers: The Judicial Review’, *Transgender Trend*, 3 December 2020

“‘Conversion Therapy’ and Gender Identity Survey: An Analysis’, [Transgender Trend](#), 6 April 2021

‘Whose Lives Matter’, [Oxford Magazine](#), no. 424, second week of Michaelmas Term, 2020, p. 15

‘Free speech at Oxford: Do Women Have the Right to Defend Their Sex?’, [Oxford Magazine](#), no. 416, second week of Hilary Term, 2020, pp. 14–16

Review of *Rhodes Must Fall: The Struggle to Decolonise the Racist Heart of Empire*, [Oxford Magazine](#), no. 415, noughth week of Hilary Term, 2020, pp. 9–10

‘The Astonishing Admission in the Health Research Authority Report: The Purpose of Puberty Blockers is to Commit Children to Permanent Physical Transition’, [Transgender Trend](#), 17 October 2019

‘How Feminism Paved the Way for Transgenderism’, [Quillette](#), 1 August 2019

‘The Tavistock’s Experimentation with Puberty Blockers: An Update’, [Transgender Trend](#), 22 July 2019

‘The Tavistock’s Experimentation with Puberty Blockers: Scrutinizing the Evidence’, [Transgender Trend](#), 5 March 2019

Susan Matthews and Michael Biggs, ‘A Disappearing Man’, [Oxford Magazine](#), no. 406, eighth week of Hilary Term, 2019, pp. 21–22

‘Suicide by Trans-Identified Children in England and Wales’, [Transgender Trend](#), 9 October 2018

‘Attempted Suicide by American LGBT Adolescents’, [4thWaveNow](#), 23 October 2018

‘Research evidence: Gender-Atypical Tots Likely to Become Gay or Lesbian’, [4thWaveNow](#), 7 August 2018

‘The Open Society Foundations and the Transgender Movement’, [4thWaveNow](#), 25 May 2018

Review of Emily Beaulieu’s *Electoral Protest and Democracy in the Developing World*, in *Mobilization*, vol. 21, 2016, pp. 137–8

Kenneth T. Andrews and Michael Biggs, ‘Sit-ins and Desegregation in the U.S. South in the Early 1960s’, [ICPSR 35630](#), Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, 2015

Neil Ketchley and Michael Biggs, ‘Who Actually Died in Egypt’s Rabaa Massacre’, *Washington Post* [Monkey Cage Blog](#), 14 August 2015

Neil Ketchley and Michael Biggs, ‘What Is the Egyptian Anti-Coup Movement Protesting for?’, *Washington Post* [Monkey Cage Blog](#), 4 April 2014

Review of Matthew Lange’s *Educations in Ethnic Violence: Identity, Educational Bubbles, and Resource Mobilization*, in *British Journal of Sociology*, vol. 64, 2013, pp. 184–85

‘Prophecy, Self-Fulfilling/Self-Defeating’, *Encyclopedia of Philosophy and the Social Sciences*, ed. Byron Kaldis, Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Sage Publications, 2013, vol. 2, pp. 765–6; [DOI 10.4135/9781452276052.n292](#)

‘Self-Immolation in Context, 1963–2012’, [Revue d’Etudes Tibétaines](#), no. 25, 2012, pp. 143–50

‘Ultimate Sacrifice: What’s the Difference Between Self-immolators and Suicide Bombers?’, *Foreign Policy*, 3 December 2012

‘Storm in a Teacup? A Comment on Ullmann-Margalit’, *Norms and Values: The Role of Social Norms as Instruments of Value Realisation*, ed. Michael Baumann, Geoffrey Brennan, Bob Goodin, and Nicholas Southwood, Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, 2010, pp. 143–48

‘Dying for a Cause—Alone?’, *Contexts*, vol. 7, 2008, pp. 22–27; [DOI 10.1525/ctx.2008.7.1.22](https://doi.org/10.1525/ctx.2008.7.1.22)

Review of Matthias Reiss (ed.), *The Street as Stage: Protest Marches and Public Rallies since the Nineteenth Century*, in *Cultural and Social History*, vol. 6, 2009, pp. 250–52

Review of Stathis N. Kalyvas, *The Logic of Violence in Civil War*, in *American Journal of Sociology*, vol. 113, 2007, pp. 558–60

Review of Marek M. Kaminski, *Games Prisoners Play: The Tragicomic Worlds of Polish Prison*, in *American Journal of Sociology*, vol. 110, 2005, pp. 1820–22

Review of Maryjane Osa, *Solidarity and Contention: Networks of Polish Opposition*, in *Social Forces*, vol. 83, 2004, pp. 447–49

Review of Beverly J. Silver, *Forces of Labor: Workers’ Movements and Globalization since 1870*, *Contemporary Sociology*, vol. 33, 2004, pp. 467–69

‘A Century of American Exceptionalism: Review Essay on Seymour Martin Lipset and Gary Marks, *It Didn’t Happen Here: Why Socialism Failed in The United States*’, *Thesis 11*, no. 68, 2002, pp. 110–21

Review of James C. Scott, *Seeing Like a State: How Certain Schemes to Improve the Human Condition Have Failed*, *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, vol. 44, 2002, pp. 852–54

Review of Stephen K. Sanderson, *Social Transformations: A General Theory of Historical Development*, *Contemporary Sociology*, vol. 26, 1997, pp. 47–48

Contributor to *New Zealand Historical Atlas*, ed. Malcolm McKinnon, Wellington: David Bateman in association with Historical Branch, Department of Internal Affairs, 1997

Kevin Hince, with Kerry Taylor, Jacqui Peace, and Michael Biggs, *Opening Hours: History of the Wellington Shop Employees Union*, Wellington: Wellington Shop Employees Union, 1990

Academic conference presentations

Annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006 (invited, thematic session), 2007, 2009, 2010 (presented by coauthor), 2011 (invited, thematic session), 2012 (presented by coauthor), 2013 (roundtable), 2016, 2025

Annual conference of the British Sociological Association, 2011, 2013, 2018

Annual meeting of the Social Science History Association, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2004 (also organized panel), 2013, 2016

Conference of the European Sociological Association, 2024 (keynote)

Conference of the European Consortium for Social Research, 2016 (keynote), 2024

Behavioral Science Speakeasy, Washington D.C., 2026

Conference on Youth Gender Distress, Berlin, 2025

Social Movements in Times of Crisis, San Diego, 2025
Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research, 2024
The Child at the Centre of Anthropological Changes, Observatoire la Petite Sirène, Paris, 2024
International Conference of the Royal College of Psychiatrists, Edinburgh, 2024
First Do No Harm, Clinical Advisory Network on Sex and Gender, London, 2024
Conference of the Society for Evidence Based Gender Medicine, New York City, 2023
What Is the Future for UK Statistics Authority, Royal Statistical Society, London, 2023
Sexual Identities Conference, London Society of the New Lacanian School, 2023
1968-2018: Fifty Years After, Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence, 2018
Generational Experience / Transformational Experience of 1968, European Solidarity Centre, Gdańsk, 2018
Cultural Transmission and Social Norms, University of East Anglia, 2017
Annual conference of the Political Studies Association, 2014
Conference of the Political Studies Association's Methodology Group, 2017
Social Movements and Protest, University of Brighton, 2016
Alternative Futures and Social Protest, Manchester Metropolitan University, 2001, 2014, 2016, 2017
Annual workshop on Analytical Sociology / Conference of the International Network of Analytical Sociologists, 2008, 2010, 2016
Annual conference of the Social History Society, 2009
Annual meeting of the Irish Conference of Historians, 2009
Annual conference of the Women's History Network, 2009
'Imprisonment and the Irish', Mater Dei Institute of Education, City University of Dublin, 2009
'Crossing Borders', Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung, 2006
'Power Laws in the Social Sciences', George Mason University, 2003

Invited academic seminars

Government Statistical Service, Office for National Statistics, London, 2025
Department of Sociology, University of Leipzig, 2023
Newton University, Prague, 2023
University of Technology Sydney, 2022
Institute for Governance and Policy Studies, Victoria University of Wellington, 2022
Women's Liberation Group, University College London, 2021
Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2021
Charles University, Prague, 2018
Centre for Human and Social Sciences, Superior Council for Scientific Research, Madrid, 2018

Department of Social Sciences, Carlos III University, Madrid, 2018
Department of Sociology, University of Edinburgh, 2017
School of Sociology, University College Dublin, 2016
School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work, Queen's University Belfast, 2016
'Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Modelling Conflict', University of Essex, 2016 (keynote)
Auro University, Surat, India, 2016
'Urban Insecurity and Civil Conflict', Nuffield College, Oxford, 2015
Institute for Analytical Sociology, Linköping University, 2015
Forum for Civil Society and Social Movement Research, University of Gothenburg, 2015
Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge, 2015
Department of History, Victoria University of Wellington, 2015
'The Power of the People: The Dynamics and Limits of Social Mobilization in South Eastern Europe', St Antony's College, Oxford, 2015 (keynote)
'Hunger Striking and Medical Ethics: Historical and Modern Perspectives', Centre for History of Medicine in Ireland, University of Ulster, 2015
'Political Engagement and Political Alternatives in the Age of Austerity in Europe', University of Birmingham, 2015
Contentious Politics Research Seminar, London School of Economics, 2013, 2015
Department of Sociology, University of Essex, 2013
'Suicide Protest: Normative Intrusions', Amherst College, 2013
Faculty of Sociology, Higher School of Economics Moscow, 2013
Summer School, University of Essex, 2012
'Tibet is Burning: Self-immolations, Ritual or Political Protest', Collège de France, 2012
Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, 2011
Centro Dondena, Università Bocconi, Milan, 2011
Institute for Social Change, University of Manchester, 2009
European Studies Center, University of Washington, 2009
Juan March Institute, Madrid, 2009
Social and Political Theory Group, Australian National University, 2008
Department of History, Victoria University of Wellington, 2008
Department of Sociology, University of Surrey, 2008
Department of Sociology, University of Kent at Canterbury, 2008
Complexity Seminar, Brunel University, 2007
ESRC Social Capital Seminar, University of Nottingham, 2006
Department of Political and Social Sciences, Universidad Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, 2004
Department of Sociology, Illinois State University, 2004

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Chicago, 2003

Invited addresses to organizations and public bodies

Medico-Legal Society, London, February 2025

After the Cass Review: Free Speech Lessons from the Tavistock, Free Speech Union, London, July 2024

First Do No Harm, Clinical Advisory Network on Sex and Gender, London, March 2024

Florida Parents of ROGD Kids, January 2024

International Perspectives on Evidence-Based Treatment for Gender-Dysphoric Youth Conference, New York, United States, October 2023

Commission of the Republican group in the French Senate, Paris, July 2023

Keep Prisons Single Sex, House of Lords, Westminster, March 2023

Sex Matters, London, March 2023

Health and Human Services Committee, Florida House of Representatives, February 2023

Speak Up for Women New Zealand, Wellington, New Zealand, December 2022

Joint Rules and Legislative Committee, Florida Board of Medicine and Board of Osteopathic Medicine, October 2022

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance conference, London, September 2022

Congreso Internacional DoFemCo (Feminist Teachers for Coeducation), Madrid, November 2021

Bayswater Support Group, London, September 2021

Research grants

‘Social Contexts of Islamist Activism in the United Kingdom’, £2,483 awarded by the Economic and Social Research Council’s Knowledge Exchange Dialogues Scheme, 2015

‘Student Protest and Digital Media: The Campaign Against Tuition Fees’, £6,914 awarded by the John Fell OUP Research Fund (102/671), 2011

‘Protest Demonstrations in London over Two Centuries’, £25,315 awarded by the John Fell OUP Research Fund (072/616), 2008-09

‘Hunger Strikes by Suffragettes and Irish Republicans, 1909-1923: Compiling a Database of Individuals and Events’, £71,873 awarded by the British Academy (LRG-45549), 2007-09

‘Hunger Strikes Against British Rule, 1909-1933: Campaigns for Women’s Suffrage, Irish Independence, and Indian Independence’, \$12,335 awarded by the University of Illinois Research Board, 2004-05

‘Self-immolation: A Global Dataset, 1963-2002’, £4,216, awarded by the Economic and Social Research Council (000-22-033), 2002

Expert witness

Keira Bell and Mrs A. v. Tavistock NHS Trust, High Court of England and Wales, 2020; [2020] EWHC 3274 (Admin)

Australian Family Court, confidential, 2022

Dekker et al. v. Weida et al., U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida, 2023

Media

Online and newswire: BBC World News online; BBC News magazine; Associated Press; France 24 online; France TV; Inter Press Service news agency; Al Jazeera; *Foreign Policy*; *Washington Post's* Monkey Cage

Radio: Outlook and Newshour on BBC World Service; Today on BBC Radio 4; Archive Hour on BBC Radio 4; All Things Considered, Talk of the Nation, The Takeaway, and Interfaith Voices on National Public Radio; Public Radio International; Voice of America; CBC Radio; The Wide Angle on Newstalk Radio Ireland; Rear Vision, Australian Broadcasting Corporation; The Wire, Australia

Television: BBC Newsnight; BBC London TV

Newspaper: *Daily Telegraph*; *Times* and *Sunday Times*; *Guardian* and *Observer*; *Spectator*; *New Statesman*; *Daily Mail*; *Toronto Star*; *Times of India*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Board of *Social Forces* (from 2012), *Socius* (from 2026), *Mobilization* (from 2007), *Irish Journal of Sociology* (from 2018); consulting editor for *American Journal of Sociology* (2012–14), *Journal of Sex and Marital Therapy* (from 2025)

Reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology* (41), *Social Forces* (34), *Mobilization* (20), *American Sociological Review* (19), *British Journal of Sociology* (10), *Social Movement Studies* (10), *Archives of Sexual Behavior* (9), *Social Science History* (6), *Journal of Sex and Marital Therapy* (6), *European Sociological Review* (5), *Sociological Methods and Research* (4), *Sociological Forum* (4), *European Societies* (4), *Social Problems* (4), *Journal of Controversial Ideas* (4), *Theory and Society* (4), *Perspectives on Politics* (4), *Comparative Political Studies* (3), *Social Science Research* (3), *Journal of Peace Research* (3), *International Review for the Sociology of Sport* (3), *Sociological Theory* (2), *World Politics* (2), *Political Studies* (2), *Political Behavior* (2), *Journal of Comparative Politics* (2), *Ethnic and Racial Studies* (2), *Research and Politics* (2), *Demographic Research* (2), *Irish Journal of Sociology* (2), *Acta Sociologica* (2), *Environmental Science and Policy* (2), *Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change* (2), *Erkenntnis* (2), *Politics, Religion and Ideology* (2), *Journal of Early Adolescence* (2), *Journal of Medical Ethics* (2), *American Political Science Review*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Sociology*, *PLOS One*, *Sociological Science*, *Socius*, *American Journal of Physics*, *Nature Climate Change*, *Organization Studies*, *British Politics*, *Journal of Policy History*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Urban Studies*, *Journal of Historical Sociology*, *International Labor and Working-Class History*, *Sociological Compass*, *Social Currents*, *Sexuality and Culture*, *American Journal of Physics*, *Journal of Political Philosophy*, *Poetics*, *Security Studies*, *Policy and Politics*, *Data and Policy*, *Political Research*

Exchange, Journal of Women, Politics and Policy, Harvard Review of Psychiatry, British Journal of Psychotherapy, Transcultural Psychology, Endocrine Connections, Oxford Bibliographies

Reviewer for ESRC First Grant Scheme; ESRC Responsive Mode (2); Volkswagen Stiftung; Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research; Wellcome Trust, Medical History and Humanities Fellowship; Swiss National Science Foundation; Israel Science Foundation; Irish Research Council

Reviewer for Routledge (2), Polity (2), Hurst, Sage's Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences, Zed Books

External member of committee to appoint Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Konstanz, 2020

External reviewer for tenure evaluation, Technical University of Munich, 2026

Organizer, Sessions on Collective Behavior, annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, 2005 and 2013

TEACHING

Completed doctoral students

Sandra Gonzalez-Bailon, 'Mapping Civil Society on the Web: Networks, Alliances and Informational Landscapes' (2007); Carolyn Marvin Professor of Communication, Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania

Thomas Grund, 'Antecedents and Consequences of Social Networks: Macro-Implications of Micro-Dynamics' (2010, jointly with Peter Hedström); Professor of the Chair of Methods of Empirical Social Research, RWTH Aachen University

Christina Fuhr, 'The Construction and Perpetuation of Jewish Identity in Contemporary Britain' (2013, jointly with Gabriella Elgenius)

Samina Luthfa, 'Confronting the Juggernaut of Extraction: Local, National, and Transnational Mobilization against the Phulbari Coal Mine in Bangladesh' (2013); Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Dhaka

Rebeca Ibarra Olivares, 'Social Mechanisms of Tax Behaviour' (2013)

Raheel Dhattiwala, 'Hindu-Muslim Violence in Gujarat, 2002: Political Logic, Spatial Configuration, and Communal Cooperation' (2013)

Fei Yan, 'The Politics of Factional Conflict and Collective Violence: The Cultural Revolution in Guangzhou, 1966–1968' (2014); Associate Professor of Sociology, Tsinghua University

Juta Kawalerowicz, 'How Social Context Influences Political Participation in 21st-Century Britain, from Rioting to Voting' (2016); Senior Lecturer, Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden

Rima Majed, 'The Shifting Salience of Sectarianism in Lebanon, 2000–2010' (2016); Assistant Professor of Sociology, American University of Beirut

Effrosyni Charitopoulou, 'The European Refugee Crisis in Greece: Understanding Host Communities' (2020); Assistant Professor in Political Science, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Christopher Barrie, ‘Dynamics of Conflict and Revolution in Iraq and Tunisia’ (2020); Assistant Professor of Sociology, New York University

Adam Brodie, ‘Why Parades Are Peaceful: A Study of Mobilisation, Segregation, and Authority in Northern Ireland, 2006–2006’ (2020, jointly with Dr Robin Harding)

Nicholas Martindale, ‘The Impact of Outsourcing on State School Systems: The Case of the Academies Programme in England’ (2021); Lecturer in Management, University of Bristol

Arun Frey, ‘Them Against Us: Assessing the Causes and Consequences of Anti-Immigrant Violence During the German Refugee Crisis’ (2021); Data Scientist, Regulation, Evaluation, and Governance Lab, Stanford University

Mathis Ebbinghaus, ‘On Extraordinary Social Action: Causes and Consequences of Protest Movements’ (2023); Leverhulme Early Career Fellow, University of Oxford

Fidelia Renne, ‘Community Peer Networks and Cross-Sect Mobilization in Beirut’ (jointly with Dr Adeel Malik, 2024); Departmental Lecturer in Middle Eastern Politics, University of Oxford

Xijing Wu, ‘Collective Actions in Reform-Era China (2008–2014): Individual Participation and Repertoire of Contention’ (2024)

Dr Conor Judge, ‘A Quantitative Evaluation of European Union Participatory Rural Development Schemes in Ireland’ (2025); Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, Aberystwyth University

Dr Alissa Symon, ‘The Battle for Israel: Rival American Jewish Transnational Networks’ (jointly with Yaacov Yadgar, 2025)

Courses designed and taught

Social Movements: Illinois, undergraduate; Oxford, graduate

Introduction to Social Statistics: Illinois and Queen’s, undergraduate

Classical Sociological Theory: Illinois, graduate (*ranked excellent, fall 2004*); Queen’s, undergraduate

Analytical Sociological Theory: Oxford, graduate and undergraduate

Critical Social Theory and its Impact: Oxford, graduate

Social Dynamics—Theories, Models, Methods: Illinois, graduate

Sociological Analysis: Oxford, graduate

Replication Project: Oxford, graduate

Introduction to Sociology: Illinois, undergraduate

Explaining Knowledge: Harvard, undergraduate

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