Bulletin

Weekly notices

Seminars and Events

Department of Sociology Seminar 8 October 2018
Lecture Theatre, Manor Road Building 12:45

Jonathan Lusthaus, University of Oxford

Industry of Anonymity: Inside the Business of Cybercrime

Abstract: Cybercrime now operates like a business. Its goods and services may be illicit, but it is highly organized, complex, driven by profit, and globally interconnected. This talk examines the underground economy and how it works. In particular, it seeks to make sense of the strategies cybercriminals use to build a thriving industry in a low-trust environment characterized by a precarious combination of anonymity and teamwork. It is based on 7 years of fieldwork in cybercrime hotspots around the world, including in Russia, Ukraine, Romania, Brazil, Nigeria, China and the USA. The core source of data is interviews with almost 250 law enforcement agents, security professionals and former cybercriminals.

Jonathan Lusthaus is Director of The Human Cybercriminal Project in the Department of Sociology and a Research Fellow at Nuffield College, University of Oxford. He recently completed a seven-year global study on the organisation of cybercrime published by Harvard University Press as *Industry of Anonymity: Inside the Business of Cybercrime*.

Department of Sociology Seminars

8 October 2017 (Week 1)
Jonathan Lusthaus, University of Oxford
Industry of Anonymity: Inside the Business of Cybercrime

15 October 2017 (Week 2) Lindsay Richards, University of Oxford Low status, left behind, ignorant and ignored? Understanding the Brexit voter

22 October 2017 (Week 3)
Colin Mills, University of Oxford
Long-term trends in social class mobility in the UK

29 October 2017 (Week 4) Charles Seguin, Boundary Spillover and the Politics of Racial Violence: The Transatlantic Response to American Lynching 1891-1903

5 November 2017, (Week 5) Christiaan Monden, University of Oxford Family size matters

12 November 2017, (Week 6)
Paula Sheppard, University of Oxford
No evidence that becoming a grandparent benefits well-being:
What does this mean for theories of grandparenting

19 November 2017, (Week 7)
Jonathan Gershuny, University of Oxford
Time, Capitals and Social Structure

26 November 2017, (Week 8) Heather Hamill, University of Oxford Trust or distrust in medicines

Special Sociology Seminar

2-1pm, Wednesday 3rd October 2018

Sutro Room, Trinity College

Large scale collective action and state intervention

Prof Sverker Jagers

Director, Centre for Collective Action Research,

University of Gothenburg, Sweden

All Welcome

Vacancies

Research Support Assistance Work Available -- Department of Sociology, University of Oxford Reporting to: Dr Patrick Präg

Task:

The research assistant will support Dr Patrick Präg on the ERC-funded FAMSIZEMATTERS project. The RA will be working in a team with Professor Christiaan Monden, Dr Paula Sheppard, and Dr Patrick Präg.

The tasks of the research assistant will include, but are not limited to:

- Preparing data sets for use in the larger project, including documenting the computer code (using Stata)
- Analyzing survey or other data, independently following the guidance of the researchers
- Producing literature reviews under guidance of the researchers

Additional tasks may include:

- Contribute to wider project management, including organization of meetings
- Participate in meetings/seminars of the project
- Contribute to discussions and share research findings with members of the project

Skills required:

Essential:

- Relevant experience in working with survey data in Stata
- Ability to manage own research and administrative activities
- Ability to work independently and with tight deadlines

Desirable:

- Experience of working in a research team

Start date: as soon as possible.

Duration: 8 weeks in first instance

Rate of pay: standard RA rate (ca. £14.40 per hour)

Two positions in sociology at the CSO:

Full professor

http://www.cso.edu/fiche_actu.asp?langue=en&actu_id=2179

Assistant Professor (tenure track) http://www.cso.edu/fiche actu.asp?langue=en&actu_id=2178

PhD position in MaxPo

http://www.maxpo.eu/Downloads/Job-openings/201807-Fellowship-Godechot.pdf

Best wishes Florence Faucher

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Conference/Call for abstracts/papers



CALL FOR FELLOWS INSTITUTE FOR CRITICAL SOCIAL INQUIRY

The Institute for Critical Social Inquiry (ICSI) at The New School for Social Research invites applications for our 2019 Summer Seminars. Founded and directed by Ann Laura Stoler, and now celebrating its fifth year, the ICSI offers advanced graduate students and faculty from around the world the opportunity to spend a week at The New School's campus in Greenwich Village, working closely with some of the most distinguished thinkers shaping the course of contemporary social inquiry. Fellows participate in one of three seminars where rigorous intellectual inquiry is joined with attention to pressing political concerns to cultivate styles of thinking that address the disparate and unequal conditions in

which we live today.

2019 Faculty & Seminars

ÉTIENNE BALIBAR

Communism: Return to the New Commons?

NANCY FRASER

Critique of Capitalism

ACHILLE MBEMBE

Borders in the Age of Networks

Applications due December 15, 2018



Étienne Balibar



Nancy Fraser



Achille Mbembe

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Opportunities & Information

New book by Anthony Heath with Elisabeth Garratt,

Ridhi Kashyap, Yaojun Li, and Lindsay Richards.

In his landmark 1942 report on social insurance Sir William Beveridge talked about the 'five giants on the road to reconstruction' – the giants of Want, Disease, Ignorance, Squalor, and Idleness. Social Progress in Britain investigates how much progress Britain has made in tackling the challenges of material deprivation, ill-health, educational standards, lack of housing, and unemployment in the decades since Beveridge wrote. It also asks how progress in Britain compares with that of peer countries — Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Sweden and the USA. Has Britain been slipping behind? What has been the impact of the increased economic inequality which Britain experienced in the 1980s — has rising economic inequality been mirrored by increasing inequalities in other areas of life too? Have there been increasing inequalities of opportunity between social classes, men and women, and different ethnic groups? And what have been the implications for Britain's sense of social cohesion?

Dear colleagues,

We would like to call your attention to the opportunity for your students to participate in the next edition of 'Global Histories: A Student Journal'. This open-access academic online journal is run by students from the MA Global History programme at the Humboldt-Universität and Freie Universität in Berlin, the second edition of its fourth volume currently in production.

Our editorial team has opened our new **call for paper until December 15th, 2018** and we would be more than grateful if you circulate the attached call within your institution and academic circles. Many of the students whose work we have published in our last editions were first encouraged to submit to our journal by their professors. This is also the reason for us to inform you about our call for papers, hoping for your understanding and support for our request!

You could for example forward this email to students of yours who have submitted especially promising seminar papers of a global historical approach, topic or perspective.

For this edition, we are seeking research articles of between 5000 and 7000 words related to global history. We are looking for papers considering global history from all time periods and geographic regions, as well as from interdisciplinary perspectives.

We also welcome submissions of shorter essays of between 1500 and 3000 words discussing methodology and research perspectives in global history, as well as pieces on public history relating to concerns of global history.

We are happy to discuss potential topics or answer any other queries from applicants; these should be directed to admin@globalhistories.com.

For more details, please see the attached call for papers, and visit our website: www.globalhistories.com

Social and Behavioural Sciences of City University of Hong Kong is providing both high-rate HKPhD Fellowships and normal-rate studentships for suitable PhD applicants.

We are the only local University in Hong Kong to commit to a 4-year (48 months) PhD studentship/scholarship in social sciences. On top of the government rate and conference grant, successful applicants on Fellowship scheme will receive free student accommodation for the first year, and additional departmental scholarship money to cover the tuition fees of all 4 years, without any bonding conditions.

The Social and Behavioural Sciences has a strength of 54 full-time faculty staffs and a mass of 50 PhD students. The department is the largest department in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, housed with three major disciplines of social work and counseling, applied psychology and criminology, and applied sociology. Our PhD students can choose topics from a discipline as well as topics that cross the disciplines. Currently we have students from Hong Kong, Mainland China, Africa, Canada, Singapore, and India.

The link https://www.cityu.edu.hk/pg/research-degree-programmes/steps-and-procedures will bring your students to the Graduate School Application website, or your students may alternatively approach our Research Degree Coordinator (Dr. Marcus Y.L. Chiu, email: mylchiu@cityu.edu.hk / ssrdpmp@cityu.edu.hk) for advice.

Are you looking to step into a General Management career with a progressive and highly respected Wealth Manager? Do you want to learn more about a career in finance and network with individuals from some of the UK's leading firms?

This Cirencester-based firm has an exciting opportunity for graduates with ambition and a genuine interest in progressing to management level within a wealth management business.

Unsure about a career in finance? They are also hosting an event offering an invaluable opportunity to learn in-detail about the firm and a career in the investment sector as a whole (see bottom of email for more details).

Company	Leading Wealth Management Firm
Location	Cirencester, Gloucestershire
Role	Rotational Management Graduate Scheme
Salary	£28,000 + £2,000 sign on bonus, plus excellent benefits and fully funded MSc
Assessment Process	Application form/CV Situational Judgement Test Video Interview Assessment Centre Final Stage Interview
Start Date	September 2019
Apply here	www.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/wealth-grad-scheme/?ref=DEPT
Deadline	1st November 2018

Who is the company?

- This leading and highly regarded FTSE 100 UK company distributes a range of investment and retirement products and financial solutions to individuals, businesses and trustees through its dedicated network of advisers.
- Based in Cirencester with 20 regional offices across the UK, they have a net income of £140.6 million with over £96bn in funds under management.
- This firm has won dozens of awards across the finance industry, including Wealth Management Company of the Year for the last 6 years.

What is the General Management Graduate Programme?

- Over the first 3 years you will undertake up to six, 6-month placements, working across the business and with colleagues of all levels, gaining a valuable insight into a fast-paced business area.
- This programme gives you the opportunity to work within a wide variety of departments across the entire business, and your journey could take you forward to career opportunities in Corporate Strategy, Client Services, Marketing, Finance, Investment Management, HR, Risk, and Technology Services, to name just a few
- Whilst on the General Management Scheme, if you want to direct your career specifically within Investment Management, then you can tailor your rotations to focus on the different Investment teams, working with talented employees on a variety of investment-related areas of the business. It could see your career taking you towards working in Investments in a variety of different roles.

Why should you apply?

- Along with an attractive salary, which is reviewed annually, they will also fully support you in a choice of professional studies to complement your ambition.
- Whatever your route, they offer a challenging and interesting career path in an innovative, growing business while also fully supporting you towards your tailored MSc with University of Birmingham.
- You will be guided and supported every step of the way with a dedicated team of development specialists and in addition, will be allocated a Sponsor and Mentor from their Executive and Senior Management Team.
- Home to the oldest polo club in the UK frequently used by the Royals, Cirencester is a beautiful market town which lies on the lower slopes of the Cotswolds an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Aside from idyllic countryside, there is an excellent local sport and music and the bright lights of Bristol, Bath, Cheltenham, Oxford and Birmingham all lie within commutable distance.

Other fantastic perks include:

- Season ticket loan
- Gym membership corporate rate
- 25 days' holiday
- Private medical insurance
- Share saver option scheme
- Paid car parking
- Non-contributory pension scheme
- Two days volunteering per year

Who is best suited to this role?

- You will need to have achieved at least 120 UCAS points (new system) in your A-levels and be on track for, or have achieved at least, a 2.1 undergraduate degree in any discipline.
- We are looking for graduates with great communication skills who are able to balance personal confidence and ambition with teamwork and humility.
- You will have a professional, positive and conscientious attitude, and be looking to develop your knowledge and drive your career.
- We are looking for talented graduates who have a passion for advancing their career within wealth management.

Apply to the grad scheme now: www.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/wealth-grad-scheme/?ref=DEPT

A career in finance - A Diversity Project Event

Location: Cirencester, Gloucestershire Date: 25th October 2018 Time: 3pm - 6pm

Travel Expenses are covered. Open to ANY degree background & graduation year. Apply to the event now: www.sanctuarygraduates.co.uk/sjp-event/?ref=DEPT

This networking event will be your opportunity to learn more about the Diversity Project and a career in finance. You'll also have the chance to meet and network with a variety of firms in the finance sector. During the event, there will be a variety of discussion topics addressed by a panel of speakers, including guest speaker Dawid Konotey-Ahulu, Co-Founder of Redington Limited.

New science fest will be food for thought

Oxford Mail, 21/09/2018, p.9, Andy Ffrench

A new festival of science will invite residents to find out more about how food relates to health and wildlife habitats. The If Oxford Science and Ideas Festival has grown out of the Oxfordshire Science Festival, which has run for the past 25 years.

The festival will run from Friday, October 12 until Monday, October 22 at venues across the city.

High-profile speakers will include Prof Susan Jebb OBE, Professor of Diet and Population Health at Oxford University and a government advisor on obesity.

Events include free workshops on creating protein-rich vegetable dishes with Oxford University researchers and Good Food Oxford at the Oxford Academy on October 21.

https://www.oxfordmail.co.uk/news/16894119.new-science-fest-will-be-food-for-thought/

IT Courses

Research Skills Toolkit

"IT & library skills and services for your research"



"Is your research material mounting up? Are you using the smartest tools and strategies to get organised?" Sharpen up your research skills with a **free** Research Skills Toolkit workshop. The teams from IT Services and the Bodleian Libraries are bringing you a hands-on encounter with a range of tools and techniques for your study and research.

Choose one of the 2-hour sessions in Week 1, January! Visit the "workshops" page of the Research Skills Toolkit website www.skillstoolkit.ox.ac.uk for details or follow us on @OxResearchSkill.

The schedule of IT classroom-based courses and workshops for Michaelmas term (Sept-Dec) is live and waiting for you to book! Online courses are available instantly through the University's subscription to Lynda.com – see the Lynda website for details.

A full list of courses can be found on the IT Learning Centre web pages or login (using your Oxford Single Sign-On) to our course booking system and see what's available. Tips on searching for a course can be found here.

We have courses covering a wide range of topics and this term and this term we are including two workshops on Virtual and Augmented Reality (VR and AR).

For more information or advice on which courses would be beneficial to you, email courses@it.ox.ac.uk

Databases: Start to Finish

This "boot camp" is for those who need to get up to speed working with databases. It takes you through the process of building a well-behaved and sustainable relational database, from concept through building to a user-interface and data analysis.

This workshop brings together the same topics covered in the separate Database courses from this series, in an immersive 2-day course. When you sign up for a Start to Finish, we expect you to attend for the full duration of the course.

Tuesday 9 October 09:15-16;15 & Wednesday 10 October 9.15- 12:15

Staff £120/Students £60

Book and pay