Nuffield College
Annual Report

Academic Report
2013-2014
The Report is compiled and prepared by Katie Price and edited by Gwilym Hughes and Tom Moore.

Nuffield College
October 2014
Warden’s Letter

The last year has seen many new arrivals at Nuffield. We welcomed six new Professorial Fellows: Ben Ansell, Christopher Wilson, Ian Crawford, Melinda Mills, Andrew Eggers and Ezequiel Gonzalez-Ocantos; a new Senior Tutor, Eleni Kechagia-Ovseiko, and then as Maternity cover for her, a second new Senior Tutor, Tom Moore. We elected four new Visiting Fellows: John Kay, sometime Student of the College, Gregg McClymont MP, shadow Minister for Pensions, Sharon White, Second Permanent Secretary at the Treasury, and Sharon Witherspoon, Director of the Nuffield Foundation. Nineteen new Research Fellows began their time with us, and one of the highlights of the year was a lunch in the SCR at the start of the academic year for the whole community of postdocs and other Fellows. There was barely room to move as some fifty postdocs gathered with the rest of the Fellows. The sense of a really large group of the coming generation of social scientists was hugely exciting, and enhanced by the arrival this year of another cohort of tremendously gifted and enthusiastic students from all round the world. These arrivals were of course balanced by departures, as many of our Research Fellows moved to permanent posts elsewhere, as detailed later in the report, students moved on, and Permanent Fellows too. Neil Shephard moved to Harvard, and Bob Allen, Duncan Gallie and Tom Snijders moved at the end of the year to Emeritus Fellowships. These four have all made enormous contributions to the College over many years, and we very much hope that we will continue to see a great deal of them.

There has been the usual large number of seminars, conferences and other events in College this last year. One relative innovation has been a series organised by the Nuffield Society, with a seminar at the headquarters of the European Commission in London, held just after the European Elections; a seminar in College just after the Scottish referendum; and another planned for the aftermath of the General Election next year. A high point of the summer came when Sir David Cox celebrated his 90th birthday in July with a conference
attended by many former students and current and former collaborators.

The Governing Body this year agreed to set up and fund for an initial three year period a new centre, in the ‘Political Arithmetic’ tradition of William Petty, to be directed by Anthony Heath and called the Centre for Social Investigation (CSI). The proposal is to establish a research centre which will aim to address contemporary social issues of public interest and to engage with policy-makers and the public more generally. The centre will be interdisciplinary (drawing on expertise in economics, politics and sociology and related disciplines such as social policy) and will aim to provide authoritative, non-partisan research on central social issues. We hope that CSI will come to be seen as an independent and rigorous source of information and analysis of contemporary social issues, and that it will communicate in an accessible way to non-technical audiences in addition to publishing technical work for academic audiences.

Andrew Dilnot October 2014
The College in 2013-2014

Visitor
The Rt Hon. The Lord Dyson PC

Warden
Sir Andrew Dilnot, CB

The Fellowship
At the start of the academic year, there were in total 131 Fellows of the College (excluding Honorary and Emeritus Fellows), 38 being ‘permanent’ and 93 on fixed-term appointments.

Fellows
David Miller FBA, Official Fellow
John Darwin, Professorial Fellow
Duncan Gallie FBA, Official Fellow and Fellow Librarian
Ray Fitzpatrick FMedSci, Professorial Fellow and Dean
Margaret Meyer, Official Fellow and Chair of Economics Group
Geoffrey Evans, Official Fellow and Chair of Politics Group
Neil Shephard FBA, Professorial Fellow
Iain McLean FBA, FRSE Official Fellow
Yuen Foong Khong, Professorial Fellow
Paul Klemperer FBA, Professorial Fellow
Gwilym Hughes, Bursar and Supernumerary Fellow
Bent Nielsen, Professorial Fellow
Kevin Roberts FBA, Professorial Fellow
Ian Jewitt, Official Fellow
Robert Allen FBA, Professorial Fellow
Desmond King FBA, Professorial Fellow
Colin Mills, Professorial Fellow
Diego Gambetta FBA, Official Fellow
Peyton Young FBA, Professorial Fellow
Raymond Duch, Official Fellow and Chair of the Senior Common Room
Martin Browning FBA, *Professorial Fellow*
Tom Snijders, *Professorial Fellow and Information Services Fellow*
Nancy Bermeo, *Professorial Fellow*
Gwendolyn Sasse, *Professorial Fellow*
Nan Dirk de Graaf, *Official Fellow and Chair of Sociology Group*
Christiaan Monden, *Professorial Fellow*
Duncan Snidal, *Professorial Fellow*
Erzsébet Bukodi, *Professorial Fellow*
Francesco Billari FBA, *Professorial Fellow*
Michael P. Keane, *Professorial Fellow*
Jan O. Jonsson, *Official Fellow*
David Rueda, *Professorial Fellow*
Ben Ansell, *Professorial Fellow*
Christopher Wilson, *Professorial Fellow*
Ian Crawford, *Professorial Fellow*
Eleni Kechagia-Ovseiko, *Senior Tutor and Supernumerary Fellow*
Melinda Mills, *Professorial Fellow* (from June 2014)
Andrew Eggers, *Professorial Fellow* (from July 2014)
Ezequiel Gonzalez-Ocantos, *Professorial Fellow* (from September 2014)

**Visiting Fellows**
Shami Chakrabarti CBE, *Director of Liberty*
Sir Nicholas Macpherson, *Permanent Secretary to H.M. Treasury*
Greg Clark, *Minister for Universities, Science and Cities, and MP for Tunbridge Wells*
Lord (Paul) Myners, *Labour Peer*
Peter Neyroud CBE QPM, *Former Chief Executive, National Policing Improvement Agency*
Dame Karen Dunnell DBE, *Former National Statistician and Registrar General for England Wales*
Sir Jonathan Cunliffe CB, *Deputy Governor, Financial Stability, Bank of England*
Stephanie Flanders, *Chief Market Strategist for the UK and Europe, J. P. Morgan Asset Management*
Lord (Adair) Turner, Senior Fellow, Institute for New Economic Thinking (London)
Neil Record, Chairman and CEO, Record Currency Management Ltd
David Goodhart, Director, Demos
Tim Harford, Columnist, Financial Times
Gareth Peirce, Senior Partner, Birnberg Peirce and Partners
George Soros, Chairman, Open Society Institute
Dame Barbara Stocking, President, Murray Edwards College, Cambridge
Sir Paul Tucker, Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business & Government Senior Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School
Janet Beer, Vice-Chancellor, Oxford Brookes University
Lord (Stewart) Wood, Strategic Adviser, Office of the Leader of the Opposition, and Shadow Minister without portfolio
Dame Colette Bowe, Chair, OFCOM
Sir Brendan Barber, Chair of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) Council

Gwilym Gibbon Fellows
Guy Lodge, Associate Director, Institute for Public Policy Research
Jim Gallagher, CBE, FRSE Former Director-General for Devolution, Ministry of Justice
Emeritus Fellows
Uwe Kitzinger CBE
David Fieldhouse FBA
A. H. Halsey FBA †
Sir David Butler CBE FBA
Sir James Mirrlees FBA
Noel Gale †
Byron Shafer
John Goldthorpe FBA
Clive Payne
Megan Vaughan FBA
Jeremy Richardson
Richard Mayou
Christopher Bliss FBA
Andrew Hurrell
Anthony Heath CBE, FBA
Lucy Carpenter MBE
Kenneth Macdonald

Honorary Fellows
Michael Brock CBE †
Manmohan Singh
Sir David Cox FRS FBA
Martin Feldstein FBA
Lord Hurd of Westwell
Lord Runciman FBA
Amartya Sen CH FBA
Sir Adrian Swire
Sir George Bain
Robert Erikson FBA
Steve Nickell CBE, FBA
Baroness O’Neill FBA
Ariel Rubinstein
Lord Sainsbury
Jerry Hausman
Sir Ivor Crewe
Sir Tony Atkinson FBA
Sir Samuel Brittan
Lord O’Donnell
Martin Wolf CBE
Sir Michael Aaronson CBE
Mark Carney
Research Fellows
Richard Spady, Senior Research Fellow in Economics
Stephen Bond, Senior Research Fellow in Public Economics and Investment
Bursar
Adrian Pagan, Senior Research Fellow in Economics
Richard Breen FBA, Senior Research Fellow in Sociology
David Soskice, Senior Research Fellow
Sarah Harper, Senior Research Fellow in Sociology
Avinash Dixit, Senior Research Fellow in Economics
John Muellbauer FBA, Senior Research Fellow in Economics and Investment
Bursar
Peter Hedström, Senior Research Fellow in Sociology
Sir David Hendry FBA, Senior Research Fellow in Economics
Laurence Whitehead, Senior Research Fellow
Werner Raub, Senior Research Fellow
Erik Jones, Senior Research Fellow
John Ermisch, Senior Research Fellow
Jay Gershuny, Senior Research Fellow
Philippe van Parijs, Senior Research Fellow
Sven Steinmo, Senior Research Fellow
David Stuckler, Senior Research Fellow
Jason Beckfield, Senior Research Fellow
Jurgen Doornik, Research Fellow
Scott Blinder, Research Fellow
Michal Horvath, Research Fellow
Wojtek Przepiorka, John Fell Fund Research Fellow in Experimental Social Sciences
Adam Saunders, Research Fellow
Facundo Alvaredo, Research Fellow
Vitaliy Oryshchenko, Research Fellow
Lucy Barnes, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Faisal Ahmed, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Claire El Mouden, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Yuval Heller, Research Fellow
Ines Moreno de Barreda, Research Fellow
Vanessa Berenguer Rico, Research Fellow
Diaa Noureldin, Research Fellow
Charles Gottlieb, Research Fellow
Olga Onuch, Research Fellow
Paolo Campana, Research Fellow
Max Burton-Chellew, Research Fellow
Lorraine Waller, Research Fellow
Tim Willems, Research Fellow
Andy Harris, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Emanuel Coman, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Jesse Tomalty, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Jeffrey Lenowitz, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Amy Nivette, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Lauge Poulsen, Research Fellow
Zoe Tsesmelidakis, Research Fellow
Hylke Dijkstra, Research Fellow
Daniel Gutknecht, Research Fellow
Clement Imbert, Research Fellow
Erik Mohlin, Research Fellow
Renaud Foucart, Research Fellow
Alexandre de Corniere, Research Fellow
Sorana Toma, Research Fellow
Alexander Janus, Research Fellow
David Pettinicchio, Research Fellow
Aaron Reeves, Research Fellow
Javier Garcia-Manglano, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Henning Tamm, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Alice Baderin, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Evrim Altintas, Research Fellow
John (Yehuda) Levy, Research Fellow
Ying-Ying Lee, Research Fellow
Mathilde Almlund, Research Fellow
Anna Ross, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Cheng Wan, Research Fellow
Samuel Asher, Research Fellow
Liang Chen, Research Fellow
André Veiga, Research Fellow
Ansgar Walther, Research Fellow
Selma Telalagic, Research Fellow
Maria Sironi, Research Fellow
Adam Bower, Research Fellow
Sarah Garding, Research Fellow
Ozan Aksoy, Research Fellow
Associate Members

Avner Offer FBA
Nanny Wermuth
Nancy Cartwright FBA
Domenico Lombardi
Frances Cairncross
Anand Menon
Peter Abell
Michael Biggs
Andrew Chesher
Federico Varese
Ian Goldin
Amrita Dhillon
George C. Edwards III
Sir Roderick Floud
Tak Wing Chan
Knick Harley
Rick Van der Ploeg
Sir Lawrence Freedman
Christopher Wlezien
Les Green
Philip Bobbit
Peter Bearman
Philip Cowley
Michael Herman
Tarun Ramadorai
Patricia Rice
Godfrey Keller
John Lloyd
Ariana Need
Ying Zhou
Manuel Arellano
Olympia Bover
Rui Esteves
Mark Pickup

Pauline Rose
Abigail Barr
James Tilley
Malcolm Dean
Andrew Patton
Evelyn Goh
Sara Binzer Hobolt
Bernie Hogan
Peter Kemp
Robert Walker
Tommy E. Murphy
Augustus Richard Norton
Stuart West
Sujoy Mukerji
John Quah
Matthew Polisson
Stijn Ruiter
Robin Dunbar FRAI, FBA
Stephen Howe
David Levy
Michelle Jackson
Ruth Keogh
Tamar Yogev
Barry McCormick
Robert Hahn
Janine Aron
Mikhail Drugov
Philipp Kircher
Christopher Ksoll
Johan Koskinen
Wendy Carlin
Laura How
Nicolas Serrano-Verlarde
Wolfgang Lutz
Jim Alt
Mark Franklin
Neil Fowler
Marco Archetti
Debopam Bhattacharya
Edoardo Gallo
Sophocles Mavroeidis
Tim Schmidt-Eisenlohr
Greg Taylor
David Myatt
Steve Fisher
Daniel Marszalec
Maya Tudor
Ranjeeta Thomas
Georg Picot
Jing Xing
Gabriella Elgenius
James Belich
Cheng-Chwee Kuik
Nicholas Dimsdale
Oriel Sullivan
Vera Troeger
Gerard Pfann
Kevin O’Rourke
Mette Ejrnaaes
Nathalie Berny

Adam Swift
Carl Frey
Robert Taylor
Anja Neundorf
Catherine de Vries
Eric Beinhocker
Christian Arnold
Edmund Newell
Martin Seeleib-Kaiser
David Sylvan
Patrick Diamond
Daniel Stegmueller
Hyeok Yong Kwon
Sukriti Issar
John Thanassoulis
J. Doyne Farmer
Neli Demireva
Pablo Beramendi
Hande Inanc
David Voas
Karoline Milewicz
James Wolter
Florian Ploeckl
Eric Schneider
New Elections 2014-2015

Professorial Fellowships
Melinda Mills, Nuffield Professor of Sociology.
Andrew Eggers, Associate Professor in Quantitative Methods in Comparative Government.
Ezequiel Gonzalez-Ocantos, Associate Professor in the Qualitative Study of Comparative Political Institutions.
Martin Ellison, Senior Research Fellow in Economics.

Supernumerary Fellowships
Eleni Kechagia-Ovseiko, Senior Tutor.
Tom Moore, Acting Senior Tutor.

Visiting Fellowships
John Kay FBA, Supernumerary Fellow in Economics, St John’s College, Oxford.
Gregg McClymont, Labour MP for Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East and Shadow Pensions Minister.
Sharon White, Second Permanent Secretary, HM Treasury.
Sharon Witherspoon MBE, Director of the Nuffield Foundation.
Paul Hobson, Director, Modern Art Oxford.
Norman Lamb, Liberal Democrat MP for North Norfolk, and Minister of State for Care and Support.
Tim Montgomerie, Conservative Party Activist and Columnist for The Times.

Senior Research Fellowships
Federico Varese, Professor of Criminology, Department of Sociology, Oxford.
Brian Nolan, Professor of Social Policy, Department of Social Policy & Intervention, and Director of the Employment, Equity and Growth Programme at INET Oxford.
Jan de Vries, Sidney Hellman Ehrman Professor of European History and Professor of Economics, UC Berkeley.

**Emeritus Fellowships**
Robert C. Allen FBA, Professor of Economic History and Professorial Fellow 2001-2013.
Duncan Gallie CBE, FBA; Official Fellow 1985-2014.
Tom Snijders, Professor of Statistics in the Social Sciences and Professorial Fellow 2007-2014.

**Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellowships**
The Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellowships in Politics and Sociology attracted a field of 354 candidates. The following were elected to PPRFs:

Mathieu Ichou (Comparative analysis of social stratification and mobility in immigrant families), Sciences Po Paris.
Henry Thomson (The longterm consequences of agricultural policies for economic development and regime change), University of Minnesota.
Joseph Workman (The ways individuals’ educational trajectories are shaped by experiences outside of the classroom), Notre Dame.
Alexander Fourniaies (The impact of money, the media and electoral institutions on political and economic outcomes), LSE.

**Gwilym Gibbon Research Fellowship**
Armin Steinbach, Deputy Head of the German Federal Ministry of Economics, Berlin.
Alun Evans, Director, Scotland Office.

**Non-Stipendiary Research Fellowships**
Ozan Aksoy, Utrecht
Tim Huijts, Utrecht
Andreas Murr, Oxford  
Jon Mellon, Oxford  
Ursula Hackett, Oxford  
Osea Giuntella, Boston  
Lorenzo Rotunno, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva  
Thomas Hale, Princeton  
Noel Pereyra-Johnston, Washington University in St. Louis  
James Duffy, Yale  
Marianne Bruins, Yale  
Peiran Jiao, Claremont Graduate University  
Basile Grassi, Paris School of Economics  
Nicola Barban, Groningen  
Patrick Präd, Groningen

Associate Memberships
Gordon Rausser, Robert Gordon Sproul Distinguished Professor, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, UC Berkeley.  
Peter Eso, Reader in Economics, Fellow and Tutor in Economics, Jesus College, Oxford.  
Sergi Pardos-Prado, Fellow in Politics, Merton College.  
Johan Bo Davidsson, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Social Policy and Intervention.  
Cameron Hepburn, Professor of Environmental Economics at the Oxford Smith School and at INET at the Martin School, and Fellow of New College.  
Sarah Von Billerbeck, Lecturer in International Relations, Department of War Studies, KCL.  
Vincent Crawford, Drummond Professor of Political Economy and Fellow of All Souls.  
Richard Baldwin, Professor of International Economics, The Graduate Institute, Geneva.  
Abiye Teklemariam, Journalist and former Guardian Fellow.
Jane Gingrich, University Lecturer, DPIR and Fellow of Magdalen College.
Mary Beth Altier, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, International Center for the Study of Terrorism, Penn State University, and Center for Terrorism and Security Studies, University of Massachusetts Lowell.
Stuart Basten, University Lecturer in Social Policy, Department of Social Policy and Intervention, and Fellow of Green Templeton.
Evelyn Ersanilli, Departmental Lecturer in Migration Studies, International Migration Institute.
Mark Levels, Postdoctoral Fellow, Research Centre for Education and the Labor Market (ROA), School of Business and Economics, Maastricht University.
Man Yee Kan, University Lecturer in Sociology and Fellow of Linacre College.
David Stuckler, Senior Research Leader, Department of Sociology, Oxford.
Elizabeth Baldwin, Visiting Fellow at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment, Oxford, and Postdoctoral Researcher, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, LSE.
Michael Yu Fai Choi, Assistant Professor of Economics, Tippie College of Business, University of Iowa.
Miriam Golden, Vice Chair of Graduate Studies, Department of Political Science, UCLA.
Joel Slemrod, Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy and Professor of Economics, University of Michigan.
Matteo Richiardi, Marie Curie Intra-European Fellow-Elect, INET Oxford
Guy Lodge, Associate Director, Institute for Public Policy Research. Jim Gallagher CB FRSE, Former Director-General Devolution, Ministry of Justice.
Amy Berrington de Gonsález, Senior Investigator, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda.
Paul Beaudry, Professor and Canada Research Chair, Vancouver School of Economics, University of British Columbia.
Elisabetta De Cao, Postdoctoral Research Officer, Centre for Health Service Economics and Organisation.
Malgorzata Poplawska, Postdoctoral Research Officer, Centre for Health Service Economics and Organisation.
Claire El Mouden, Research Fellow, INET Oxford.
Meira Levinson, Associate Professor of Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education.
Marie Bergström, OxPo Post-doctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology.
Appointment of Leaving Fellows

Neil Shephard was appointed as Professor of Economics and of Statistics in the Department of Statistics at Harvard University.

Faisal Ahmed took up an Assistant Professorship in the Department of Politics at Princeton University.

Lucy Barnes accepted a lectureship in Quantitative Politics in the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Kent.

Stuart Basten was appointed to a University Lectureship in Social Policy in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention, and to a Fellowship of Green Templeton College.

Vanessa Berenguer Rico was elected to an Associate Professorship in the Department of Economics and to a Fellowship at Mansfield College.

Emanuel Coman took up a post as Lecturer at Corpus Christi College, Oxford.

Hylke Dijkstra returned to his post as Assistant Professor at the Department of Political Science of Maastricht University.

Claire El Mouden was elected as a Research Fellow at INET Oxford.

Andy Harris took up a tenure-track post as Assistant Professor of Political Science at New York University – Abu Dhabi.

Yuval Heller was elected to an Associate Professorship in Economics and to a Fellowship at Queen’s College, Oxford.

Michal Horvath was appointed Lecturer in the Department of Economics and Related Studies at the University of York.

Alexander Janus took up a post as Lecturer in Sociology in the School of Social and Political Science at the University of Edinburgh.

Jeffrey Lenowitz was appointed to an Assistant Professorship in the Department of Politics at Brandeis University.

Inés Moreno De Barreda was elected to an Associate Professorship in Economics and a Fellowship at St Peter’s College.
Vitaliy Oryshchenko took up the post of Lecturer in Econometrics in the School of Social Sciences at the University of Manchester.

David Pettinicchio was appointed as an Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Toronto.

Lauge Poulsen accepted a post as Lecturer in International Political Economy at University College London.

Wojtek Przepiorka took up an Assistant Professorship in the Department of Sociology at Utrecht University.

Olga Onuch was appointed as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Politics at the University of Manchester.
College Officers 2013-2014

Warden
Senior Tutor
Moore
Investment Bursars
Bursar
College Accountant
Dean
Fellow Librarian
Librarian
Information Systems Fellow
Keeper of the College Gardens
Junior Dean
Equality Officer
Dean of Degrees
Deputy Dean of Degrees
Chair, Economics Group
Chair, Politics Group
Chair, Sociology Group
(Deputy)
Chair, Senior Common Room
Pastoral Advisor

Sir Andrew Dilnot
E. Kechagia-Ovseiko/T. Moore
J. Muellbauer/S. Bond
G. Hughes
Y. Moyse
R. Fitzpatrick
D. Gallie
E. Martin
T. Snijders
G. Evans
L. Barnes/H. Tamm
G. Sasse
C. El Mouden
J. Lenowitz
M. Meyer
G. Evans
N. D. de Graaf
C. Monden
R. Duch
D. Danchev/V. Plant

College Committees 2013-2014

Strategy and Resources Committee

Warden
G. Hughes
E. Kechagia-Ovseiko/T. Moore
N. D. de Graaf
G. Evans
M. Meyer
J. Muellbauer

Chair
Bursar
Senior Tutor
Chair, Sociology Group
Chair, Politics Group
Chair, Economics Group
Investment Bursar (Equities)
S. Bond
A. Baderin
M. Jones/R. Mihet

In attendance
J. Crump

Minutes

Investment Bursar (Property)
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
JCR Representative

Administrative Officer –

Personnel and Domestic Committee

Warden
G. Hughes
R. Fitzpatrick
R. Duch
Food Committee
G. Evans
Gardens
G. Sasse
L. Stannard
C. Kavanagh
L. Carpenter
Representative
I. McLean
C. Monden
Representative
B. Nielsen
Representative
J. Lenowitz
L. Marini/S. Smith
K. Grabietz/J. Kawalerowicz
Representative

In attendance
J. Crump

Minutes

Chair
Bursar
Dean (non-attending member)
Chair of SCR & Chair of Food Committee
Keeper of the College
Vice-Chair of Art Committee
Human Resources Manager
Co-Chair of Staff Council
Chapel Committee
Politics Group Representative
Sociology Group
Economics Group
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
JCR Representative
JCR Environmental Representative

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Staff Council
C. Kavanagh Joint Chair
G. Hughes Joint Chair
Warden
I. Jewitt Fellow
S. Iley
D. Hitchman
E. Smithson
K. Richardson
A. Nivette Postdoctoral Research Fellow
In attendance
L. Stannard Human Resources Manager
G. Smit Minutes

Welfare Committee
Warden Chair
G. Sasse Equality Officer
E. Kechagia-Ovseiko/T. Moore Senior Tutor
M. Dilling JCR Representative
L. Barnes/H. Tamm Junior Dean
G. Hughes Bursar
D. Danchev/V. Plant Pastoral Advisor
M. Raine College Doctor
C. Bunce Minutes

Investment Committee
Warden Chair
J. Muellbauer Investment Bursar (Equities)
S. Bond Investment Bursar (Property)
G. Hughes Bursar
R. Allen
C. Bliss
R. Duch
D. Hendry
I. Jewitt
K. Roberts
L. Whitehead
P. Young
J. Hodson Taube Hodson Stonex Partners Limited
N. Record Record Currency Management
In attendance
C. Leach Deputy Finance Officer – Minutes

Audit Committee
M. Lamaison Chair
I. Crawford
E. Bukodi
J. Darwin
N. Fowler External member
A. Lawton External member
In attendance
G. Hughes Bursar
Y. Moyse College Accountant
J. Crump Administrative Officer – Minutes

Library Committee
D. Gallie Fellow Librarian, Chair
E. Martin Librarian
Warden
D. Miller
C. Mills
D. Hendry
S. Woodroff
F. Ahmed Postdoctoral Research Fellow
R. Johnson/A. Foldspang Neve JCR Representative
In attendance
T. Richards Minutes

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Information Systems Committee
T. Snijders (Chair) Information Systems Fellow
G. Hughes Bursar
S. Woodroff IT Manager
Warden
E. Kechagia-Ovseiko/T. Moore Senior Tutor
E. Martin Librarian
Y. Khong
P. Klemperer
S. Coppin
J. Hollway JCR Representative
In attendance
J. Crump Minutes

Equality Committee
L. Stannard (Chair) Human Resources Manager
B. Ansell Fellow
D. Danchev/V. Plant Pastoral Advisor
G. Hughes Bursar
E. Kechagia-Ovseiko/T. Moore Senior Tutor
J. Tomalty Postdoctoral Research Fellow
J. Reevell Staff Representative
Warden
J. Aber /S. Smith JCR Representative
In attendance
G. Smit Minutes

Fellows’ Remuneration Committee
Sir Tony Atkinson Chair (Michaelmas and Hilary terms)
Sir Mike Aaronson Chair (Trinity term)
A. Morgan
N. Record

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S. Witherspoon

In attendance

G. Hughes  Bursar
**Students**

At the start of the academic year 2013/14, there were 68 students in College, of whom 15 were from the UK, 27 from other EU countries, and 16 from elsewhere. Their distribution by group, gender, and degree type was as shown below:

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There were, in addition, 33 continuing DPhil students in College (5 Economics; 14 Politics; 11 Sociology; and 3 interdisciplinary).
For the academic year 2014/15, 54 student places were offered. At the time of writing, 31 places have been taken up.\(^1\) Seven of the students who have accepted offers are from the UK, 13 are from other EU countries, and 11 are from elsewhere; their distribution by group, gender, and degree type is as shown below:

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\(^1\) This figure includes one male overseas student for the MPhil in Economics who was offered a place for October 2014 but who has deferred his entry to the course until October 2015.
New Students 2013-2014

The following new students were admitted to the College at the beginning of Michaelmas Term 2013:

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<td>Jan David Bakker</td>
<td>MPhil</td>
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<td>Noah Carl</td>
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<td>Fay Clarke</td>
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<td>Matteo Escude</td>
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<td>Max Goplerud</td>
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<td>Leander Heldring</td>
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<td>Robert Hellpap</td>
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<td>Daniel Kaliski</td>
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<td>Ridhi Kashyap</td>
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<td>Alice Lazzati</td>
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<td>Jonathan Lusthaus</td>
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<td>James McDaid</td>
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<td>Ask Neve</td>
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<td>Lila Nojima</td>
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<td>Wolfgang Ridinger</td>
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<td>Ian Shepherd</td>
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<td>Jerome Simons</td>
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<td>Ludvig Sinander</td>
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<td>Spencer Smith</td>
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<td>Andrea Tartakowsky Pezoa</td>
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<td>Tony Taylor</td>
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<td>Laurin Weissinger</td>
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<td>Nicholas Wellkamp</td>
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<td>Janice Winter</td>
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<td>Jeffrey Wright</td>
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^2 IR is short for International Relations
Visiting Students

Outi Sirnio
DPhil
Sociology

Sara Geven
DPhil
Sociology

Jens Jungblut
DPhil
Politics

Stefan Thewissen
DPhil
Politics

Graduating Students

During the course of the year, the following students or former students were given leave to supplicate. (E = Economics; P = Politics; S = Sociology; ID = Interdisciplinary)

DPhil:

Sundas Ali (Soc) Identities and Sense of Belonging of Muslims in Britain; Using Survey Data, Cognitive Survey Methodology, and in-Depth Interviews

Francesc Amat (Pol) Ethnic politics and decentralization of redistribution

Patrick Barron (Pol) Barriers to the consolidation of peace: the political economy of post-conflict violence in Indonesia

Daniel Brieba (Pol) Explaining the Policy of Effectiveness of Latin American Democracies

Francisco Beltran Tapia (History) Common Lands and Economic Development in 19th Century Spain
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<td>(Soc)</td>
<td>Hindu-Muslim Violence in Gujarat, 2002: Political Logic, Spatial Configuration, and Communal Cooperation</td>
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<td>Ana Lopez Garcia</td>
<td>(Pol)</td>
<td>Social mobilisation and the pure presidential democracies of Latin America</td>
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<td>Christiana Kartsonaki</td>
<td>(Stats)</td>
<td>Some Aspects of Complex Statistical Dependencies</td>
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<td>Jonathan Mellon</td>
<td>(Soc)</td>
<td>New methods for new data: Developing techniques for analysing alternative social science data</td>
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<td>Matthew Moore</td>
<td>(Ec)</td>
<td>The design of inducement prize contests for research and innovation</td>
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<td>Linn Normand</td>
<td>(Pol)</td>
<td>Demonisation in International Politics: The Anatomy of a Phenomenon. (MPhil) Demonisation in International Politics: The Genealogy of an Idea</td>
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<td>Ksenia Northmore-Ball</td>
<td>(Pol)</td>
<td>Explaining Voter Turnout Inequality in Post-Communist Eastern Europe: Income Inequality, Institutions, and The Normalization of Voting</td>
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<td>Mark Taylor</td>
<td>(Soc)</td>
<td>Reading for pleasure in Britain: trends, patterns, and associations</td>
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The following MPhil and MSc students completed their course during the academic year 2013/14.

**MPhil:**

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<tr>
<td>Job Boerma</td>
<td>Ec</td>
<td>Openness and the (inverted) aggregate demand logic</td>
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<td>Matthias Dilling</td>
<td>Pol</td>
<td>Divided we stand: Factionalism in Western European Christian Democratic Parties after World War II</td>
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<td>Johannes Paul Dolfen</td>
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<td>Multidimensional monopoly screening</td>
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<td>Alexander Frouman</td>
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<td>Matching and tropical geometry</td>
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<td>Jesse Groenewegen</td>
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<td>The effects of implicit government guarantees on funding costs of European banks</td>
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<td>Richard Johnson</td>
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<td>Black candidates facing white electorates: racial campaign strategies in United States Senate elections</td>
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<td>Roxana Mihet</td>
<td>Ec</td>
<td>Endogenous mortgage default in a DSGE model with housing market frictions</td>
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Adarsh Rogbeer (Ec)  Modelling Consumption in the UK
Anchalee Ruland (Pol)  Norms in conflict: Non-interference versus protection of human rights in Southeast Asia
Pim-Orn Wacharaprapapong (Ec)  Quantifying Degrees and Determinants of Exchange Rate Pass-through into Thailand’s Disaggregate Import Prices

In Trinity Term 2014, the following students successfully completed an MPhil degree.

MSc

Laurin Weissinger (Soc)
Janice Winter (Pol)

Master in Public Policy

Ian Shepherd (Pol)
Visitors

Andrew Abbott, University of Chicago, USA. Sponsor: Ray Fitzpatrick.
Pablo Beramendi, Duke University, Durham, USA. Sponsor: Ray Duch.
    (CESS Visitor).
Vincent Buskens, Utrecht University, The Netherlands. Sponsor: Tom Snijders.
Alessandra Casarico, Bocconi University, Milan. Sponsor: Sir Tony Atkinson.
    (Jemolo Fellow).
    (CESS Visitor).
Elisabetta Cornago, Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium. Sponsor: Renaud Foucart.
Annalisa Cristini, University of Bergamo, Italy. Sponsor: John Muellbauer.
John V. Duca, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Texas, USA. Sponsor: John Muellbauer.
Roberto Franzosi, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA. Sponsor: Nan Dirk de Graaf.
Edoardo Gallo, University of Cambridge, UK. Sponsor: Meg Meyer.
Florent Gougou, Sciences-Po, Paris, France. Sponsor: Geoff Evans.
    (Nuffield/Sciences-Po Fellow).
Bernard F. Grofman, University of California, Irvine, USA. Sponsor: Ray Duch.
Hans Peter Grüner, Mannheim University, Germany. Sponsor: Ray Duch.
    (CESS Visitor).
Charlotte Halpern, Centre d’Etudes Européennes de Sciences Po, Paris, France. Sponsor:
Iain McLean. (Nuffield/Sciences-Po Fellow).
Benjamin Hermalin, University of California, Berkeley, USA. Sponsor: Meg Meyer.
Liesbet Hooghe, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA. Sponsor: Geoff Evans.
Hyun Joong Im, Renmin University of China, Beijing. Sponsor: Steve Bond.
Sung Hyun Kim, Ewha Woman’s University, Seoul, South Korea. Sponsor: Peyton Young.
Jeffrey Lenowitz, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts, USA. Sponsor: Iain McLean. (Warden’s Visitor).
Gary Marks, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA. Sponsor: Geoff Evans.
Maria Dolores Martinez Miranda, University of Granada, Spain. Sponsor: Bent Nielsen.
John McGarry, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Sponsor: Geoff Evans.
Fabio Michelucci, CERGE-Dal, Prague, Czech Republic. Sponsor: Paul Klemperer.
Margaret R. Moore, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Sponsor: David Miller.
Anthony Murphy, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Texas. Sponsor: John Muellbauer.
Jonathan Newton, The University of Sydney, Australia. Sponsor: Peyton Young.
Oreste Pollicino, Bocconi University, Milan. Sponsor: Iain McLean. (Jemolo Fellow).
Garry Robins, The University of Melbourne, Australia. Sponsor: Tom Snijders.
RÉjane Sénac, CEVIPOF, Sciences Po, Paris, France. Sponsor: David Miller.
(Nuffield/Sciences-Po Fellow).
Giorgio Scichilone, University of Palermo, Italy. Sponsor: Laurence Whitehead.

(Jemolo Fellow).
Kotaro Suzumura, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan. Sponsor: Kevin Roberts.
Adil İltel Turan, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey. Sponsor: Laurence Whitehead.
Maarten Van Zalk, Örebro University, Sweden. Sponsor: Tom Snijders.
Joseph Wong, University of Toronto, Canada. Sponsor: David Rueda.
Conferences in College

Michaelmas Term

Workshop: “International Secretariats: Neutral Administrators or Policy Entrepreneurs?”
(Hylke Dijkstra)

The American State: Lesson for the European Polity
(Desmond King)

Hilary Term

Book Workshop: “Progressive Taxes and Redistribution”
(Lucy Barnes)

Scottish Referendum Conference
(Matthias Dilling)

Trinity Term

Aage Sørensen Memorial Conference
(Dingeman Wiertz)

International Meeting in Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS): Conference on Field Experiments and Election Campaigns
(Raymond Duch)

Conference on Mexico’s Energy Reforms
(Laurence Whitehead)

“Official Minds” Workshop
(John Darwin)
Bob Allen Retirement Conference  
(Eric Schneider)

Conference on Reason and Decision Making (Nuffield CESS and Duke University)  
(Raymond Duch)

Duties to Create and Support Just Institutions  
(Jesse Tomalty)

Financial Policy Workshop  
(Paul Klemperer and Ansgar Walther)

NUMERIC Nuffield Macroeconomics Researchers’ Informal Conference  
(Michal Horvath)

CESS Summer School  
(Raymond Duch)

Conference to mark Sir David Cox’s 90th Birthday  
(Lucy Carpenter)
Seminars in College

Stated Meeting Seminars

November:  *The Scottish Referendum – and what may happen next*  
Iain McLean FBA FRSE, Professor of Politics and Official Fellow

March:  *Misinformation is beautiful*  
Tim Harford, Columnist for the Financial Times, and Visiting Fellow

June:  *What financial services do we need?*  
John Kay FBA, Supernumerary Fellow in Economics, St John’s College, Oxford, and Visiting Fellow

Seminars in College

Nuffield Econometric / INET Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*  
(Sophocles Mavroeidis and Debopam Bhattacharya)

Nuffield Political Science Seminars *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*  
(Geoff Evans, Ray Duch, Steve Fisher, James Tilley, and Catherine De Vries)

Sociology Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*  
(Javier Garcia-Manglano, Alexander Janus, Claire El Mouden, Amy Nivette)

Nuffield Economic Theory Workshop *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*  
(John Quah)
Oxford Social Mobilisation Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(Rima Majed and Olga Onuch)

Oxford Central Africa Forum Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(Patrycja Stys and Henning Tamm)

Qualitative and Field-Work Based Research Methods Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(Sukriti Issar and Patrycja Stys)

Media and Politics Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(David Levy, James Painter, John Lloyd, and Neil Fowler)

Nuffield-Oxford Internet Institute Seminars in Social Networks *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(Tom Snijders, Bernie Hogan, and Wybo Wiersma)

Experimental Social Science Seminar *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*
(Ozan Aksoy)

Economic and Social History Graduate Workshop *Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity Terms*

Oxford Intelligence Group *Hilary and Trinity terms*
(Gwilym Hughes)

Economic History Workshop *Michaelmas term*
(Bob Allen)
Bursar’s Report

College Accounts

The balance sheet as at 31 July 2013 shows that the endowment and restricted funds were £163 million (2012: £142m). The College’s total income was £7.64 million (2012: £7.8m) and total expenditure amounted to £7.6m (2012: £7.7m).
### Nuffield College

**Consolidated Balance Sheets at 31 July 2013**

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>177,181</td>
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<td>Stocks</td>
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<td>Debtors</td>
<td>660</td>
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<td>Deposits and other short term investments</td>
<td>20</td>
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<td>Cash at bank and in hand</td>
<td>5,711</td>
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<td><strong>Net current assets/(liabilities)</strong></td>
<td>6,453</td>
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<td><strong>Creditors: falling due within one year</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net current assets/(liabilities)</strong></td>
<td>5,234</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</strong></td>
<td>182,415</td>
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<td><strong>Creditors: falling due after more than one year</strong></td>
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<td><strong>NET ASSETS</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Funds of the College</strong></td>
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<td>Endowment funds</td>
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<td>Restricted funds</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>175,415</td>
<td>153,253</td>
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Staff

The following members of staff retired during the year:

Richard Mogg, Buttery Supervisor
Rosalind Brook, Academic Visitors’ Secretary

The following left the College:

Abiye Teklemariam, Guardian Research Fellow
Catherine McNeill, Alumni Relations and Events Officer
Bradford Peaston, IT Support Analyst
Mark Holmes, Deputy IT Manager
Teresa Elrington, Finance Assistant
Jeffrey Lenowitz, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Lucy Barnes, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Linda Stannard, HR Manager
Dee Danchev, Pastoral Advisor
Lewis Colwell, Assistant Chef
Daniel Hitchman, Assistant Chef
Faisal Ahmed, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Lin Sorrell, Secretary
Sue Woodroff, IT Manager
Jonathan Harris, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Emanuel Coman, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Niamh Delaney, Graduate Trainee Library Assistant
Claire El Mouden, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow

The following joined the staff:

Kate Price, Conference Administrator
Matthew Lake, IT Support Analyst
Andrew Mellon, Research Officer
John Jensenius III, Assistant to Director and Research Officer
CESS
Peter Marshall, Finance Assistant
Tom Moore, Acting Senior Tutor
Robert Madzio, Sous Chef
Victoria Plant, Pastoral Advisor
Kerry Mellor, Academic Officer
Sydney Richardson, Evening and Relief Porter
Henry Thomson, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Alexander Fouirnaies, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Joseph Workman, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Mathieu Ichou, Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow
Emma Lewsley, Graduate Trainee Library Assistant
Library

We posted a number of interesting entries during the year on the library blog (http://nuffieldcollegelibrary.wordpress.com/) including three new series. ‘Behind the scenes at Nuffield College Library’ was written to celebrate National Libraries Day on 7 February, and we decided to look at some of the less obvious aspects of library life, such as cataloguing and inventory control. We also included a rare photograph of the entire current library staff, under the entry for ‘Library Treasures.’ There is a continuing series called ‘From the Archives’ which looks at different collections, and their donors / originators, in more detail, including those of Alexander Loveday and Norman Chester, the College’s third and fourth Wardens. Finally, to commemorate the First World War centenary, we have written a short series highlighting relevant parts of our collections. All of our blog posts are illustrated with photographs and items from library stock, and make interesting reading; comments are welcome.

In September 2013 there was a colloquium on William Cobbett in the College, and the library provided some items from our archive for display on the day, which were extremely well-received. We maintain one of the best Cobbett archives in the country, thanks to GDH Cole. We loaned Lord Nuffield’s Donations Book to the Bodleian for several months for its major exhibition ‘Oxford Medical Firsts.’ and we helped Nuffield Place with enquiries, and items for its exhibition programme, while also giving some of its volunteers a closer look at the contents of our Lord Nuffield Archive. Our archive readers continue to acknowledge us in their books and research for our helpfulness and excellent service, which pleases us enormously. We had a delighted researcher of our Trotskyist collections who gave us a generous donation to show his approval, and we also found a new enthusiastic reader for some rare Serbian material and a map that to our knowledge had never previously been consulted. Our ‘special’ book collections, also mostly from GDH Cole and reflecting his many interests, are well on their way to being catalogued on ALEPH, and
enquiries about them are increasing as a consequence of their greater visibility.

This has been a year of consolidation after last year’s building works and ground floor clearance and we have been re-arranging material around the library, particularly in the closed-access areas of the 7th, 8th and 9th floors, to make room for displaced material. In a sad but telling illustration of changing media formats and their obsolescence, we disposed of most of our collection of microfilm newspapers and microfiche government papers this year as a result of the ground floor clearance, since they are now all available online. We have retained some rarer social science periodicals on microfilm and microfiche, and the reader-printer for the present, and moved them to the first floor. We extended the lending of current news magazines and foreign language newspapers in response to reader requests, both broadening the range of titles that may be borrowed and lengthening the loan period for them.

We registered 338 new readers during the year, and an additional 150 visitors were admitted to consult items held only at Nuffield, mainly consisting of archive readers, undergraduates and Bodleian readers (ie non-University members.) At the end of the year, we had 479 registered users, of whom 277 were active borrowers, who had borrowed or renewed a total of 5910 items during the course of the year, and 83 external non-borrowing readers (mostly taught-course students) We bought 561 new monographs for the main collections, and a further 31 for maintaining the Taught-Course reading list reference collection, We borrowed 27 items on inter-library loan, and loaned 18 items from our stock to other libraries; the lending helps to subsidise the borrowing. We are, as ever, grateful for donations of recent works received in the Library from College members past and present; this year we added 209 donated items to stock.

The Data Services Officer continued to offer support to social scientists in Nuffield and the wider University with data acquisition, licensing, management and analysis, and maintaining the collection of
data resources. She also manages the University’s contracts with Eurostat for their harmonized datasets.

Library staff members continued to further their professional development during the year with a variety of committee memberships plus attendance at external meetings and training events. The Librarian was thrilled to have an on-screen role in the Christmas pantomime this year, for the first time. Our trainee for the year was Niamh Delaney, while staffing otherwise remained stable. We were very pleased to welcome a ‘library’ baby in January: Penny Smithson, daughter of Ed and Heidi Smithson, who met during the course of their work in the Library, as noted in an earlier Library report.

Finally, we shall be very sorry to say an official goodbye to our Fellow Librarian, Duncan Gallie at the end of the summer, on his retirement; he has held the library reins since 2000. We thank him enormously for his wise and kind guidance and support, and wish him an extremely happy retirement, and we look forward to welcoming him back into the library as an Emeritus Fellow.

Elizabeth Martin
Librarian
JCR Report

The Nuffield College Junior Common Room continues to represent and organise Nuffield students and student visitors. We say goodbye and wish the best of luck to our departing members, some of whom will take up academic positions or employment in business and government and others of whom will continue their studies at other universities.

At the end of Hilary term, the following students took office as JCR officers: Spencer Smith as President, Ask Foldspang Neve as Treasurer, Richard Johnson as Secretary, Laurin Weissinger as Bar Manager, and Jan Bakker and Matteo Escudé as Gym Managers. We thank outgoing President Luigi Marini, Treasurer Alex Frouman, Secretary Yanjun Lin, Bar Manager Daniela Scur, Gym Manager Nicholas Wellkamp, and other JCR representatives in College committees for their service to the JCR and to the College.

In its regular business, the JCR amended its constitution to simplify the process by which members can establish an emergency meeting of the JCR and to simplify the nominating process for JCR representatives in College committees. We worked with the College to increase student attendance at formal hall on Wednesdays, called for recognition of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender members of the College in the month of February, and asked the College to review its policies toward students’ partners and guests. We purchased new equipment for the gym, the student kitchens, and the bar, and we considered a motion, encouraged by the Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) Environment and Ethics Campaign, to criticise the University’s fossil fuel investments. The motion passed after amendments to clarify the JCR’s stance.

In sport, Nuffield saw a mixture of success and setback. Despite being the smallest College in its football division, the Nuffield Lions, led by Matthias Dilling and George Wood, successfully escaped relegation and showed a couple of impressive and close matches against teams benefiting from larger player pools and better training conditions. The Lions lost more players this year than they could
recruit from the cohort of new students, but those who joined showed a decent performance, good team spirit, and excellent commitment.

The men’s boat club started the year well, with a couple of races won in the Christ Church Regatta. Like other Oxford clubs, the club remained on land during Hilary term due to flooding, but used the time well to prepare for Summer Eights, the major intramural rowing event of the year, in which Nuffield men competed with two boats instead of last year’s one. The first boat fought hard and held on to their spot in the third division, while the newly qualified second boat bumped on the first three days in the seventh division and lost their fourth bump by less than a second to a klaxon.

The women’s boat club performed solidly this year. Their first boat placed third overall in the Isis Winter League, and in the Nephthys Regatta, the novice boat made it to the semifinals, while the senior boat made it to the finals. In City Bumps, the women moved from first place in the second division to the middle of the pack in the first division. In Summer Eights, the first boat fell from ninth in the second division to first in the third division, while the second boat moved up from twelfth in the third division to eleventh. Both boats put in a lot of hard work training on land and in the water.

One member of the Nuffield JCR competed in sport at the University level. DPhil student Ridhi Kashyap bowled for the women’s cricket Blues, taking four wickets in their win over Cambridge at Lord’s and two wickets in their win over Cambridge in the Twenty20 Varsity match. It was an impressive season for her and for the team.

Thanks to the hard work of outgoing Social Secretary Stefanie Reher and incoming Social Secretaries Fay Clarke, Lila Nojima, and Anthony Taylor, JCR members enjoyed a wide selection of social activities in the past year, including frequent JCR dinners and brunches, lawn bowling, pub crawls, whiskey tasting, and exchange dinners with University College, Magdalen College, St John’s College, Worcester College, Lady Margaret Hall, and Kellogg College. The annual Nuffield JCR Art Auction raised £1050 thanks to expert auctioneering on the part of Alexander Sayer Gard-Murray.
Michaelmas term culminated in the annual Christmas pantomime, created and performed by new members of the College. Jeffrey Wright, Fay Clarke, and Robert Hellpap starred in this year’s performance of Back to the Nuff, which was directed by Ask Foldspang Neve, produced by Alice Lazzati and Spencer Smith, and written by Alexander Sayer Gard-Murray, Max Goplerud, Ian Shepherd, Anthony Taylor, and Laurin Weissinger. The pantomime featured a guest performance from the Senior Tutor, Eleni Kechagia-Ovseiko. In Hilary term, James Hollway and Pietro Introipi organised an ‘academic triathlon’, in which students competed in creating bad ad hoc hypotheses, in presenting unseen PowerPoint slides, and in completing a blind viva, hearing only one sentence of an actual DPhil thesis at Oxford before improvising their defence. In Trinity term, the JCR ended the year with the Nuffield Ball, A Midsummer Night’s Dream, organised by Fay Clarke and Lila Nojima.

The JCR looks forward to welcoming its new members and to a productive and enjoyable year in 2014/2015.

Spencer Smith
JCR President
**Nuffield Women’s Group**

In the last academic year women students, post-docs and other fellows met together on three separate occasions: a lunch in Michaelmas Term, a second dessert (after dinner) to celebrate International Women’s Day in Hilary Term and an afternoon tea in Trinity Term. During the afternoon tea, Gwen Sasse spoke about the idea of widening the role of the Advisor to Women Students to cover other areas including equality issues for all students. The women students present agreed with this idea. As a result, from next year the post of Advisor to Women Students will be broadened to address equality issues more generally. International Women’s Day was also marked this year with Margaret Hodge MP, chair of the House of Commons Public Accounts Committee, speaking at the Media & Politics seminar. There are now plans underway to invite another eminent woman speaker for International Women’s Day in 2015.

Lucy Carpenter  
Gwendolyn Sasse  
Andrea Tartakowsky
Nuffield Art Committee Report

We have continued to care for, develop and publicise an art collection which has received increasing praise from visitors from the art world. In October 2013, several of us visited the Frieze Art Fair with an advisor from the Contemporary Art Society. We used our accumulated funds to buy a painting by Phyllida Barlow RA for the recently refurbished Brock Room. Our other acquisition was a donation of a large original print by Michael Craig-Martin which now hangs in the entrance to Staircase C. Both Barlow and Craig-Martin combine being distinguished artists with being exceptionally significant teachers who have influenced several of the successful younger artists with works in our collection.

Events during the year included tours for college members, old members, the Alumni Weekend and Oxford Open Doors Weekend. We had three highly successful pre High Table occasions with Phyllida Barlow, Andrew Nairne (former Director of Modern Art Oxford and former Visiting Fellow) and a discussion of our only Old Master, an early copy of Pieter Breughel the Elder’s painting Netherlandish Proverbs.

Our Proverbs painting was acquired in about 1981 (with several other minor works now sold) after the business failure of a picture dealer to whom the College had lent money. It was attributed to the studio of Breughel the Younger who is known to have been responsible for many versions of Pieter the Elder’s works. There is now considerable art history and collecting interest in these copies and we invited Jon Whiteley of the Ashmolean and the conservator Ruth Bubb to discuss our painting and its possible restoration. A most fascinating evening resulted in decisions to ask Ruth to research and then restore the painting. It has now been the subject (alongside three other paintings from the Barber Institute, Birmingham and the National Trust’s Upton House Collection) of intensive historical and technical study by Ruth and by Christina Currie, the leading scientific authority on the Breughels and their followers. The conclusion is that our work is on a wood panel of between 1585-1615 but is by an
unknown Antwerp copyist rather than a member of Pieter the Younger’s contemporary studio in the same city. It is confirmed as a very interesting picture which is part of an extraordinary story of the early 17th century art market. It is being restored and should look greatly better. We will be organising another College event once the picture is back with us and we have the final extensive report.

We are delighted that Paul Hobson, the new Director of Modern Art Oxford, has been elected a Visiting Fellow and will join the Committee and is keen to help with further developing our collection and activities.

Richard Mayou
Chair of the Art Committee
**Nuffield CESS Report**

The Centre for Experimental Social Sciences (CESS) has had a successful year thanks to the continued support of the Nuffield College Governing Body. The Warden was able to negotiate a multi-year subvention for CESS activities from the Social Sciences Division. Also, this year two members joined CESS: Ozan Aksoy who has earned his Ph.D degree at Utrecht University and John Jensenius III who is completing his Ph.D at Florida State University. CESS has made significant progress in its endeavor to enhance the experimental research in social sciences under the direction of Raymond Duch, a Nuffield Official Fellow, and with the contributions from these new and present members.

A key element of our service to the experimental community is the CESS lab. This year the lab was involved in 14 unique studies, conducting 88 experimental sessions. This involved 1424 participations from 541 subjects. As part of the agreement with the Social Sciences Division, we have significantly reduced these user fees. These lower prices have raised the demand for conducting lab experiments at CESS.

CESS is also committed to supporting experiments conducted on the Internet. Under the direction of Aki Matsuo, CESS helps researchers design and implement a whole range of online experiments. This year, CESS has launched the online subject pool and made significant development to it. The campaign for recruiting new subjects was launched in October, and attracted more than six hundred participants by the end of June. The CESS online subject pool is intended to facilitate the online survey experiments with flexible incentivised treatments. In Hilary Term, CESS successfully fielded an online experimental survey using the subject pool, and plans to run a number of online experiments using this subject pool.

CESS has continued the effort to promote its visibility in the area of field experiments. On May 9 and 10, CESS hosted the Conference on Field Experiments and Election Campaign, which brought together the leading experts in the use of field experiments.
for studying and implementing electoral campaigns. The participants included members of the Obama and Romney 2012 presidential election campaigns and representatives from the Labour Party. In addition, the conference brought together leading academic experts in this area who presented their state-of-the-art research findings. CESS is currently helping to organise a large-scale field experiment in Ohio as part of the 2014 midterm U.S. election.

An important part of CESS’s remit is to contribute to instruction in experimental methods. We have a very ambitious set of initiatives in this respect. Our colloquium series is designed as a forum for researchers to present their initial experimental research ideas and designs to a group of experienced experimentalists. This provides a unique and valuable setting for researches who receive very constructive feedback on their experimental projects. We also have a seminar series in which experimentalists from around the world present their cutting-edge research. A number of prominent scholars have presented in the seminar this year, including Diana Mutz from the University of Pennsylvania, George Lowenstein and Erte Xiao from Carnegie Mellon University, Drazen Prelec from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and David Cooper from Florida State University.

Our educational remit continues to expand. This summer CESS successfully conducted its annual summer school in experimental methods in collaboration with the University of Essex. The summer school attracts students from a number of countries both inside and outside European Union. From Non-EU countries, we had students based in Singapore, India, and the United States. In addition, we have started a similar two-week summer school in May 2014 at the Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto. In December, CESS held it’s Annual Orientation Day, which highlights the range of research questions that can be addressed with experimental methods and informs prospective experimentalists about how CESS can assist them in designing and implementing experimental projects.
As another notable contribution CESS has made to the experimental community, CESS hosted the First International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS) April 10-12, 2014. The Director of CESS organized it along with Jordi Brandts (Institut d’Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC) and Barcelona GSE), Enrique Fatás (University of East Anglia) and Diego Gambetta (European University Institute). The First IMEBESS called together experimental researchers in all areas of the social sciences. CESS’s call for proposals attracted a large number of high quality research papers. The conference successfully concluded with about one hundred research presentations and a number of invited talks. Another conference CESS hosted was the Workshop on Reason and Decision Making in June. This is an annual meeting with Political Science Department at Duke University to showcase innovative scholarship that challenges conventional theories of individual-level decision-making. The participants included a diverse group of scholars who have been working on this theme from various perspectives, including theorists, legal scholars, experimental social scientists, and scholars working in an observational data tradition.

CESS’s members have also contributed to the experimental research community. Wojtek Przepiorka, a postdoctoral research fellow, spent his final year at Nuffield College. This year, he finalised the manuscript of his collaborative work with Ray Duch on coalition responsibility attribution. The paper was accepted at *American Journal of Political Science*. He also published a paper on trustworthiness at *PLOS One* with Diego Gambetta, an associate member of the CESS. Ozan Aksoy, another postdoctoral research fellow at the CESS, has finished his first experiment on the group identity and public goods contribution using the CESS lab. CESS post-doc, Aki Matsuo has been working with a number of research projects with Ray Duch, including the implementation of responsibility attribution experiments, the study of perceptions of economic condition in the social media, and using automated text analysis along with crowd sourced workers to assess historical perceptions of the health effect of cigarette consumption. John Jensenius, the CESS lab manager and
researcher, has been managing the experimental lab, assisting Ray Duch with his various lab experimental projects; and helping experimental researchers to develop and implement experimental designs for their research.

Seminars and conferences organised in College

(i) CESS Orientation Day (December 5, 2013). The orientation was designed to highlight the range of research questions that can be addressed with experimental methods and to inform prospective experimentalists about how CESS can assist them in designing and implementing experimental projects. We targeted all University of Oxford faculty, post-docs, and students. In particular, we were interested in reaching those who have had little experience in conducting experiments but either have experimental projects they would like to implement or are thinking about using experiments as part of their research.

(ii) The First International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS) April 10-12, 2014, was organized by Ray Duch along with Jordi Brandts (Institut d’Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC) and Barcelona GSE), Enrique Fatás (University of East Anglia) and Diego Gambetta (European University Institute). IMEBESS is a succession of the International Meeting series on Experimental and Behavioral Economics (IMEBE). IMEBESS intends to bring together researchers in all areas of the social sciences who are interested in experimental methods. We believe that behavioural economics is increasingly informed by a very diverse range of research traditions. Hence, we are particularly interested in the participation of all the diverse social science disciplines with an interest in experimental research. The program consisted of a number of invited and contributed talks.

(iii) Workshop on Experimental Methods and the Law (April 23, 2014). Experimental methods are beginning to make important inroads into the scholarship of law as well as litigation. The workshop is an overview of the experimental method. The methods
are illustrated with case law and expert legal testimony. The workshop is designed to inform, in an efficient manner, legal professionals about why experimental methods are becoming increasingly important and also to provide them with a succinct but comprehensive overview of the actual methods.

(iv) The Workshop on Reason and Decision Making (June 6, 2014). The conference showcased innovative scholarship that challenges conventional theories of individual-level decision-making. The participants included a very diverse group of scholars who have been working on this theme from various perspectives, including theorists, legal scholars, experimental social scientists, and scholars working in an observational data tradition. The format of the one-day workshop was very casual – there were a total of 10 papers presented. Most of the participants consisted of young scholars from the fields of economics, politics and sociology – many of them were post-docs from Nuffield College.

(v) The Essex/Nuffield CESS Experimental Summer School held in Oxford, in conjunction with the University of Essex. Two sessions were held this year, with the first taking place from June 23 – July 4, 2014 and the second taking place July 7 – 18, 2014.

(vi) Conference on Field Experiments and Election Campaigns. May 9-10, 2014. The conference brought together the leading experts in the use of field experiments for studying and implementing electoral campaigns. The workshops were devoted exclusively to practitioners and applied techniques. The participants included members of the Obama and Romney 2012 presidential election campaigns and representatives from the Labour Party. In addition, the conference brought together leading academic experts in this area who presented their state-of-the-art research findings.

Ray Duch
Director, Centre for Experimental Social Sciences
**Individual Reports**

**The Warden**

**Sir Andrew Dilnot** Aside from my activities as Warden, my main area of interest this year has been the use and understanding of statistics. In part this led to a series of radio programmes for BBC Radio 4, and in part it has been reflected in the issues associated with my chairmanship of the UK Statistics Authority (UKSA). I have also continued to contribute to the debate about the funding of care for the elderly.

‘A History of Britain in Numbers’ was a ten part radio series produced for BBC Radio 4 in the Autumn of 2013. I was lucky enough to work on the series with my long time colleague Michael Blastland, and our hope was that we could throw light on our understanding of UK history with the use of statistics. Nuffield fellows figured substantially in the cast list, with both Chelly Halsey and Bob Allen among the interviewees. There were many themes, but perhaps most prominent was the sense that statistical data made it possible to convey the enormous scale of change in new ways that we hoped were powerful.

At the UKSA there has been the normal round of complaints about the misuse of statistics in public debate, but also a range of questions about the longer run. The most important issue has probably been the future of population statistics, and in particular the future of the census. We conducted a large scale public consultation alongside a major programme of work within the Office for National Statistics, and eventually concluded that while there is very substantial scope to make greater use of administrative data in this area, it was too early to abandon a traditional decennial census, and that the 2021 census should go ahead, although making much greater use of internet completion. We also concluded that development of use of administrative data in population and other statistics should go forward.
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I have given a number of lectures over the year, including at the launch of the Q-Step initiative and the first Sir Roger Jowell memorial lecture.

Radio Series

Recorded public lectures
‘Don’t leave it only to economists: why quantitative skills are needed across the social sciences and beyond’. March 17 2014 at the Royal Society launch of the Q step programme. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCIOdvrAubw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCIOdvrAubw)

First Sir Roger Jowell memorial lecture, organised by NatCen, the Social Research Association and City University, 27 March 2014. [http://www.natcen.ac.uk/events/past-events/2014/march/roger-jowell-memorial-lecture/](http://www.natcen.ac.uk/events/past-events/2014/march/roger-jowell-memorial-lecture/)

Faisal Ahmed (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow) I spent part of the past academic year revising several papers on the political economy of foreign aid and remittances. A couple of these papers evaluate the impact of foreign aid on two separate dimensions of political violence: civil conflict and repression. The papers dealing with remittances examine different facets of government survival. One paper links remittance income to the emergence of the “democratic deficit” in many non-oil producing Muslim countries during the 1970s. Another paper examines whether remittances can benefit or hurt incumbents in democracies by shaping individual electoral preferences. All of these papers are currently under review.

Throughout the year, I also continued to work on my book project on how international capital flows – aid, remittances, and foreign direct investment – can finance and strengthen authoritarian rule. I also finished a paper linking geopolitics (i.e., superpower
rivalry), foreign aid, and repression to the uptick in civil conflict in many countries after the end of the Cold War.

I also began work on several new research projects. One project leverages survey data to better understand the factors that drive individual preferences for foreign direct investment in both developing and developed countries. Another paper examines the impact of litigation on sovereign default risk.

Finally, as of this fall, I will be joining Princeton University as an Assistant Professor of Politics. The past three years at Nuffield (and Oxford more broadly) have been very productive and I would like to thank everyone – other fellows, students, and staff – for making my time truly wonderful!

**Publications**


**Ozan Aksoy** (Research Fellow) I joined college as research fellow at Centre for Experimental Social Sciences (CESS) in September 2013. In my first year I continued working on understanding various aspects of cooperation and trust among strangers. This work resulted in a publication in *Social Science Research* (SSR) and another technical note both co-authored with J. Weesie. The SSR paper estimated how much actors cared about others’ outcomes in various interaction situations and how such altruistic concerns influenced cooperation using Hierarchical-Bayesian models. The technical note explored the possibilities Bayesian model selection tools, e.g., Deviance Information Criterion and Posterior Predictive Sampling, provide for testing game-theoretic predictions.
In November 2013, I started a new project funded by the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research through a Rubicon award I recently obtained (€163k). This project investigates the effects of diversity and inequality on generalized cooperation and trust, while accounting for endogenous and exogenous forms of segregation. I completed the first lab experiment and prepared two manuscripts. The first manuscript shows that diversity hampers between-group and overall cooperation and trust, but only when subjects of different social identities involuntarily interact and subjects are given information about others’ decisions. After presenting this manuscript at various conferences in Oxford, Mannheim, Stein am Rhein, and Utrecht, I submitted it to a journal. The second manuscript is a short note showing that the average weight subjects add to the outcomes of outgroup others is only about 20% of the weight they add to the outcomes of ingroup others.

I also worked on several collaborative projects. With Wojtek Przepiorka we investigated herding behavior in Ebay auctions. With Diego Gambetta we analyzed veiling behavior of Turkish women in Turkey and Belgium and I will present the results at the 2014 ASA Conference. With Brent Simpson we completed three experiments on how competition for attracting bystanders may influence public goods provision. Finally, I enjoyed being part of the many events organized by CESS. I helped organize the IMEBESS conference, participated in raising research funding for CESS, organized the formal CESS seminar series, and taught at the CESS/ESSEX summer school on experimental methods.

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Robert Allen FBA (Professorial Fellow) I retired from Oxford University on 31 December 2013. Since then, I have been Global Distinguished Professor of Economic History at New York University, Abu Dhabi. I taught the economic history of the middle east in the first half of 2014.

I was president of the Economic History Association in 2012-13 and gave the presidential address at the annual conference in Arlington, Virginia, in September, 2013. The title was ‘American Exceptionalism as a Problem in Global History.’ In this address, I explored whether the framework that I developed to explain the British industrial revolution would also shed light on distinctive features of American economic history. I compared the USA to Britain, India, and Egypt in terms of wage rates, the prices of natural resources, and capital using costs. There was little difference between Britain and America in these regards because international migration, capital mobility, and international trade tended to equalize these prices. Wages were dramatically lower in Egypt and India, however. Relative factor prices led to much stronger incentives to use labour saving technology in both the USA and Britain than in Egypt or India.

I have since been extending this approach to world development in two ways. First, I am collecting data on wages, natural resource prices, and capital costs for more countries. Currently, I am working with a Russian colleague, Katya Khaustova, who is collecting this information from archives in Moscow, St. Petersburg, and Kursk. Secondly, I am developing information to measure the rate of return to mechanized cotton spinning and weaving in many countries from the mid-eighteenth century to the present. Did differences in relative factor prices lead to differences in the rates of return to specific changes in spinning and weaving technology and do those explain the spread of mechanization around the world?

My ideas about the importance of wage rates and energy prices in explaining the Industrial Revolution have had wide exposure on the internet. My article ‘Why was the Industrial Revolution British?’ is the seventh most read column on VOX with over 129,000 reads. Crash Course, a series aimed at American students, used my ideas to explain
the Industrial Revolution in ‘Coal, Steam, and the Industrial Revolution,’ which has over 825,000 viewings on You Tube (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zhL5DCizj5c). I’m quoted at 8:50 in the podcast!

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Evrim Altintas (Research Fellow) My research interests can be grouped under three themes:

1. Young people’s time use patterns: Last year I received a three-year British Academy Fellowship in order to work on the time diary component of the 1970 British Cohort Study. My project aims at identifying the factors associated with young people’s time use patterns and examines the extent to which the daily activities and social interactions of young people affect their adult outcomes. My first paper on this topic finds a substantial effect of early parental aspirations and school involvement on young people’s human capital investment choices at the age of 16. For example, parental involvement in children’s educational activities at age 10 is associated with time spent in studying at age 16, net of other relevant factors such as parental class or children’s cognitive skills. I will present the findings from this paper at the Institute of Education in November 2014. In another paper, Maria Sironi and I work on the influence of daily activities on mental health of youth. Preliminary results indicate a positive effect of sports activities on long-term mental health. Last academic year I also received a John Fell Fund grant to study the behavioural risk factors for obesity. The first study from this project
will use TV diaries from young people to examine the effect TV watching (programme content, duration and timing of the activity) and secondary eating on the risk of obesity in the long run. This project will start in October.

2. Growing inequality in parental time investment in children: My first paper on this topic focuses on mothers’ time investment in children in the US. The study shows a widening education gap in time spent in developmental childcare activities since the 1970s (R & R in the Journal of Marriage and Family). In another paper presented at the ASA meeting, I use Multinational Time Use Study data from 13 countries and show growing inequality in both mothers’ and fathers’ time investment in young children over the last five decades. My third paper on the topic focuses on the variations in non-Hispanic White fathers’ involvement in specific childcare activities by educational attainment (under review in Fathering). Findings from this research were presented at the ISA meeting. I recently started a project with Alessandra Casarico (Bocconi University) on the effect of taxation on time allocation choices of parents.

3. Domestic division of labour: Oriel Sullivan and I have been working on the changing effect of welfare regime on fathers’ contribution to domestic work; which shows a diminishing regime effect in the last decade. In a separate paper I test the competing theories on domestic division of domestic labour using Turkish Time Use Survey (under review in the Journal of Family Issues). Turkish men are not responsive to the time strain of their wives, neither their spouses’ employment status nor their working hours has a positive effect on men’s time spent in domestic work.

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Facundo Alvaredo (Research Fellow) I have continued with my involvement in the activities of EMoD (INET@Oxford, and the Department of Economics).

Concern on inequality has been rising up the agenda for the last couple of years, but it definitely was in the spotlight in 2014, after the worldwide success of Thomas Piketty’s ‘Capital in the 21st century’ (2014, Harvard University Press). In addition to the author’s excellent analysis, the book gave new visibility to the work done recently in the field, but it also showed that there is much to be done in terms both of research and policy-making.

Together with Sir Tony Atkinson, T. Piketty and E. Saez, I have continued updating and extending the The World Top Incomes Database. This has involved cooperation with many researchers around the world who actively contribute to the project. The database covers now twenty-nine countries. I have also continued my work on taxation and inequality in the former French colonies (with T. Piketty, D. Cogneau and A. Bergeron), and in Latin America, and on inheritance and wealth.

Alvaredo and Gasparini (2013) reviews the empirical evidence on the levels and trends in inequality and poverty in developing countries since the early 1980s. The available evidence suggests that the levels of income inequality increased in the 1980s and 1990s, and declined in the 2000s. There was a remarkable fall in income poverty since the early 1980s, driven by the exceptional performance of China over the whole period, and the generalized improvement in living standards in all the regions in the 2000s.

Alvaredo and Piketty (2014) discusses the data limitations associated with the measurement of top incomes in the Middle East. Some studies have argued that inequality in the Middle East countries is not high by international standards, and that popular discontent (the Arab spring revolt) mostly reflects the perceived level of inequality. We come with two conclusions. First, data sources are insufficient to provide a reliable picture of the top. Next, income inequality is extremely high at the level of the Middle East simply because regional inequality in per capita GNP is particularly large. Popular discontent
might reflect the fact that perceptions about the (un)fairness of the distribution are determined by regional (or global) inequality, and not only on national inequality.

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Ben Ansell (Professorial Fellow) This has been my first full year at Nuffield as Professorial Fellow and as co-editor (with David Samuels) of the highly selective journal Comparative Political Studies, which is on track to receive 700 submission by year’s end (with room for only 60 final articles!).

Outside of my editorial work and teaching / advising, I have continued my research on the political economy of inequality writ broadly, culminating in my forthcoming book with David Samuels to be published in October 2014 by Cambridge University Press, titled Inequality and Democratization: An Elite-Competition Approach, in which we argue that transitions to democracy have typically accompanied secular rises in income inequality, contrary to the received wisdom on this topic.

In May 2014 I published a solo-authored article in the American Political Science Review that examined the effects of rising (or declining) house prices on citizens’ political preferences and the policymaking of governments. In this work I show that housing values have a separate effect from citizens’ labour market experiences in terms of determining what they want from government - in particular, rising house prices produce less support for redistributive policies, especially among center-right voters. I am currently working on expanding this work to think more systematically about the role of
international capital flows and international mortgage markets with J Lawrence Broz at the University of California, San Diego, in a paper which won the 2014 Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis best comparative public policy paper award.

Together with Jane Gingrich at Magdalen College, I have been working on research connecting educational stratification and housing prices. In a recent paper ‘Sorting for Schools’ published in 2014 in the Socio-Economic Review, we show that educational heterogeneity is greater, higher-income people are more (and lower income people less) satisfied with their local schools, a pattern driven by homeownership and higher house prices.

Finally in terms of college life I have given presentations to our students on the publication process and the academic job market, tasks I will be doing ever more regularly in my new position as Director of Graduate Student Professional Training in the Department of Politics and International Relations. I have also taken on the enviable task of being Nuffield's new Information Systems Fellow.

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‘Sorting for Schools’ (with Jane Gingrich), Socio-Economic Review, April 2014.

**Samuel Asher** (Research Fellow) I’ve spent my first year at Nuffield advancing my research agenda into the spatial determinants of economic development, with a continuing focus on India. In joint work with Paul Novosad, I have been refining a paper on how political parties facilitate economic growth of the areas that they control in India, work we intend to submit for publication soon. We find that industries that have a high level of government input intensity, such as mining, exhibit disproportionate gains in
employment in areas represented by the state ruling party. We are currently starting a spinoff of this paper, having recently raised money to develop an industry-level index of government input intensity that will allow researchers to better examine relationships between businesses and the state in large datasets.

Much of my work at the moment is examining the impact of infrastructure on economic activity and poverty alleviation, with different projects focused on rural and urban settings. I presented research at the Northeast Universities Development Conference, the University of Oxford, the University of Warwick, and the Centre for Policy Research (India), as well as presentations with more of a focus on development policy to the Indian, British and Tanzanian governments. I also started work with Paul Novosad and fellow Oxford postdoc Martina Kirchberger on the determinants of road construction costs in Tanzania, in collaboration with the road funding agency there.

Sir Tony Atkinson (Honorary Fellow) A few years ago, I was involved in developing new measures of the output of the National Health Service. This year I have been experiencing its benefits at first hand, and I am full of admiration for the quality and effectiveness of the services. It has meant that, even though my contact with the outside world has been limited, I have been able to continue actively in research and writing. Indeed, more than one visitor has recalled the words of the Duke of Gloucester to Edward Gibbon!

My research on inequality has formed part of the Economic Modelling Group in INET at the Oxford Martin School. Two important outputs are the Chartbook of Economic Inequality and the World Top Incomes Database (WTID). The Chartbook, assembled by Salvatore Morelli and myself, and covering 25 countries, is now available on a new website, designed and implemented by Max Roser, which has greatly increased its visibility. It summarises in one graph per country the evidence about economic inequality over the past century. The WTID is co-ordinated by Facundo Alvaredo, and brings together the research of some 20 scholars; the data in the WTID
provided a substantial input into Thomas Piketty’s best-selling *Capital in the Twenty-First Century*. One issue not addressed there is the gender composition of top income groups, and the “glass ceiling” is the subject of current research together with Alessandra Casarico and Sarah Voitchovsky. We have found in the case of the UK that the proportion of women in the top 1 per cent of incomes is rising, but that progress is slower, or non-existent, at the very top of the distribution.

In the course of the year, a friend pointed out that second-hand copies of *Lectures on Public Economics*, published by Joe Stiglitz and myself in 1980, and long out of print, were being put on the market at three (or even four) figure asking prices. Whether anyone paid these prices is not known, but there appears to be a continuing demand, so the book is being reprinted by Princeton University Press, with a new Introduction. Would I write a different book today? Of course, “yes”, but it would involve addition and enhancement, rather than subtraction. In my 2012 Graz Schumpeter Lectures, published in 2014, I argued that modern public economics has sound foundations (as we set out in *Lectures on Public Economics*) but needs to be developed to reflect the changing world and the progress that has been made in other fields of economics, such as international economics, industrial organisation, labour economics and behavioural economics. Public economics is a field where “joined-up” thinking is essential.

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Alice Baderin (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow) I joined the college as a Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow in September 2013. My research interests lie in contemporary political philosophy, with a particular focus on the relationship between normative theory and empirical social science. Nuffield has proved the ideal environment in which to pursue this interest in interdisciplinary research.

The major project proposed for the Research Fellowship concerns the nature of risk and its role in distributive justice: Does the experience of risk impose distinctive burdens on individuals? Does risk also bring important benefits? How should the answers to these questions shape our thinking about the demands of justice? The first strand of this work explores the relationship between economic risk and individual self-respect: Does the experience of economic risk support or undermine individual self-worth and confidence? Working together with Lucy Barnes (Lecturer in Quantitative Politics at the University of Kent and former PPRF), I take a more empirically informed approach to this question than is typical in the philosophical literature on the social bases of self-respect. We use Health Survey for England data to construct an index that more closely captures the philosophical notion of self-respect than existing studies. We then relate this index to a number of measures of economic insecurity. In
addition to substantive findings concerning the economic preconditions for individual self-respect, we intend that this project will produce some methodological lessons for the integration of political philosophy and empirical social science. Early versions of this work were presented at the Nuffield Postdoctoral Research Seminar in Politics and Sociology, a workshop on ‘Doing Realist Political Theory’ at the University of Sheffield and the Ideals and Reality in Social Ethics Conference at the University of South Wales.

My second main research focus this year has been to continue to develop my DPhil work on the role of public opinion in political philosophy. From one perspective, the task of describing what people actually think is seen as irrelevant to, even a dangerous distraction from, the project of developing political theories that seek to tell us what we ought to think or to do. At the other end of the spectrum, it is argued that the task of the political philosopher is fundamentally an interpretive one; working entirely within the parameters of public opinion. My research argues that the right answer lies between these two poles and that we should separate a number of distinct rationales for giving weight to public attitudes. I currently have three papers in progress that build on arguments in my doctoral thesis. This work has been presented at the Nuffield Political Theory Workshop, the Ethox Research Centre, UCL Political Theory Research Seminar and the Annual Conference of the Association for Legal and Social Philosophy at the University of Leeds.

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**Vanessa Berenguer Rico** (Research Fellow) My research has focused on the econometric modelling and statistical treatment of non-linear long run relationships that involve persistent processes - such as those observed in macroeconomic data. The standard econometric theory to deal with persistence in a linear context - co-
integration - is not properly designed to deal with non-linearities. My current research develops co-summability theory that generalizes co-integration to non-linear worlds and designs statistical tools to deal with nonlinear macroeconomic relationships.

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The papers that collect these developments are:


‘Co-summability: From Linear to Non-Cointegration’ a working paper.

‘Co-summability: A Nonlinear Least Squares Approach’ a working paper.

This research has been presented at the following seminars and conferences: NBER-NSF Time Series Conference, Washington D.C., USA. September 2013. CEMMAP Seminar, UCL. London, UK. November 2013. Exeter Seminar, UK. May 2014.

**Nancy Bermeo** (Professorial Fellow) I have been away on sabbatical this year as a guest of Princeton University in the Democracy and Development Program. I spent the beginning of my sabbatical finishing *Mass Politics in Tough Times* for publication with OUP New York. I then completed a book-length project titled *Parties, Movements and Democratization in the Developing World* with Princeton Professor Deborah Yashar. Without denying the relevance of class-based approaches to understanding democratization, the project charts the limits of their utility in the developing world. Drawing on material from Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America, we argue that the domestic collectivities at the core of the democratization process are not classes *per se* but political parties and social movements with
mixedclass constituencies and their own organizational incentives. With evidence from over twenty-two countries across four continents, our project collaborators provide a strong case for the centrality of parties and movements throughout the democratization process. They also illustrate that the emergence of the parties and movements that support and sustain democracy is less determined by patterns of economic development than by the institutional legacies of past regimes, the ideational frames elites use to mobilize collective action, and the mix of resources and constraints emanating from abroad.

My work in progress includes a nearly completed study of the legacies of war in new democracies and a Project on Party System Institutionalization and Competitiveness (PPSIC). The latter emerged from the former and my interest in how armed conflict affects party systems. The project aims at creating an original data set tracking over 100 variables for party systems in every new democracy formed between 1945 and 2012. It is a joint (and jovial) undertaking with Nuffield graduate student Alexander Gard-Murray and Professor Mary Beth Altier of Nuffield and New York University.

In addition to working on my own scholarship, I organized all the panels for the European Politics and Society Section of the American Political Science Association and took up my duties as President-elect of the section. I am also participating in a project on Democratic Backsliding organized by colleagues at the University of Virginia and Yale and was happy to be named to the Executive Committee of the Social Science Research Council of the United States for a multi-year comparative project on The Anxieties of Democracy.

Publications

Book
Chapters in Book

**Francesco Billari** (Professorial Fellow) In Oxford, I have kept on serving as Head of the Department of Sociology. Moreover, on behalf of the Social Sciences Division, I am PI of the ESRC ‘Impact Acceleration Account’, which was fully funded for four years after a pilot stage. In College, I have been serving in the PPRF Committee for Sociology and have collaborated in pushing forward Nuffield’s renewed efforts for development activities. I have continued my work on the role of social norms and trust and life-course decision making, also in collaboration with colleagues from the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, who have also been hosted in college. My work on comparative life courses, within the framework of the Generations and Gender Programme, has also continued, and I have worked on the relationship between the Great Recession and life satisfaction. Among others, the paper with Gianpiero Dalla-Zuanna (from the University of Padua) on world population change has been challenging standard UN assumptions used in forecasting.

I have been deeply involved in the organization of the European Population Conference, which was held in Budapest in June 2014. I have continued to serve as Editor-in-Chief of ‘Advances in Life Course Research’ and as one of the editors of ‘Population Studies’. I have been honoured by being awarded a Doctorate *Honoris Causa* from the Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences and Communication of the Université Catholique de Louvain (November 2013) and by being elected a Fellow of the British Academy (July 2014) and a Foreign Member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (April 2014).
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Christopher Bliss (Emeritus Fellow) My research on sovereign debt with the possibility of default took me to an old topic, optimal investment under uncertainty. This turns out to be a surprisingly complicated problem, but I derived the key results, and a paper laying them out is under journal evaluation. Correspondence with Professor Sir James Mirrlees confirmed that he had derived most of my results in the 1960s. Had he published what he knew at that time, my paper would be largely redundant; but he published very little. He is now generously supportive of my paper, which of course acknowledges his unpublished priority.

The optimal condition for investment derived from dynamic programming differs from the standard condition without uncertainty. The difference arises in part because the expected marginal utility of consumption and the productivity of investment co-vary. Another
possible effect is the Mirrlees Insurance Effect (MIE). Risk discourages investment due to standard risk aversion. But additional investment provides insurance against bad outcomes. The MIE only produces increased investment with risk when sufficiently powerful to overcome a negative covariance effect. The analysis applies to the response to climate change risk.

Publications


**Martin Browning** (Professorial Fellow) This year finally saw the publication of my monograph on the economics of the family (i), written with Pierre-André Chiappori and Yoram Weiss and published by the Cambridge University Press in 2014. This has been in preparation for an alarmingly long time; I hope it serves its avowed purpose of providing a state of the art discussion of the modern literature in this area.

Economists have a long standing interest in the family, dating back to Cantillon (1730), Smith (1776) and Malthus (1798). In the modern literature two major strands have emerged as important: decision making within existing families and the formation and dissolution of unions (‘who marries whom’). Although the two strands of the literature have obvious mutual implications and sometimes meet, they are largely distinct (as can be seen from the largely disjoint set of contributors to the two strands). A principal aim of our book is to move forward the merging of the two strands. The first part of the book covers decision making within families; the second part of the book examines the aggregate patterns of marriage and how the actions of different couples are interrelated.
To give one example, a major achievement of the recent literature in the first strand above has been to provide an operational definition of ‘power’ within the household. Armed with such a definition of power we are able to address questions such as: what are the determinants of power. Examples include the relative attractiveness to potential partners; caring for each other; relative earnings potential and threats of violence. This in turn allows us to formalise the impact of social decisions such as divorce laws or the payment of child benefits to mother or father on, for example, the resources (time and money) parents devote to their children or the relative material well-being of individuals within the household. Importantly, this formalisation of power also provides an immediate link to the second strand of the literature since the formation or dissolution of any union will depend, in part, on the distribution of power within the household.

I have also published two papers on long standing research interests; see (ii) and (iii).

On the non-academic front, I am finishing up my first year as Head of the Department of Economics. This has been somewhat more challenging than I expected.

Publications


**Erzsébet Bukodi** (Professorial Fellow) I continued to work on two main research projects, together with John Goldthorpe (Emeritus Fellow) and Lorraine Waller (Non-Stipendiary Research Fellow).

The first project aims to throw new light on the effects of individuals’ social origins on their educational attainment by taking a multidimensional view of the structure of social inequality. On the basis of a grant obtained from the Fell Fund, we have been able to develop this project as a comparative cross-national one, together with colleagues from the Universities of Bamberg and Trento and the Swedish Institute for Social Research. The second workshop of the project was held at Nuffield in October and a comparative British-Swedish paper has been accepted for publication in *Acta Sociologica*. This paper was the basis of an invited talk that I gave at a workshop organised by the Department of Education, Oxford.

The second project, supported by a three-year grant from the ESRC, aims to provide a detailed analysis of the role of education in intergenerational social mobility, using the rich data-sets of the British birth cohort studies, supplemented by data from the Understanding Society survey. A paper reporting on findings from this study on current trends in mobility is forthcoming in the *British Journal of Sociology*. Two further papers have been presented at international conferences – the Spring Conference of the ISA RC28 (Research Committee on Social Mobility and Social Stratification), Budapest and the Annual Conference of European Consortium for Sociological Research, Berlin.

I also continued to work with Shirley Dex (Institute of Education, London) on the completion of a further research project on gender differences in life-course occupational mobility in Britain.

In addition, I was one of the organisers of the ISA RC28 Budapest meeting, and I also organised a one-day methodological workshop on ‘Interpreting parameters in non-linear probability
models: statistical considerations and sociological implications’ held in College in October.

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Sir David Butler (Emeritus Fellow) I visited Delhi in November to renew old psephological contacts and to broadcast. In March I gave a substantial lecture at LSE on The Evolution of Electoral Studies.

Paolo Campana (Research Fellow) In the past year, I have worked on a number of papers on organised crime activities and structures; human trafficking; and social networks. I am currently finalising a paper on the structure of human trafficking networks operating between Africa and Europe and a second paper on networks of orders in criminal organisations. A paper on failures of rationality in financial bankruptcies is currently under review as well as a second paper on human trafficking and smuggling. A paper on cooperation among criminals is being translated into Italian for publication in an edited volume.

I delivered lectures to Human Sciences and PPE undergraduates, taught Social Network Analysis to MSc and MPhil students in Sociology and Politics, and actively engaged with the Nuffield scholarly community. In Michaelmas Term I presented at the Sociology Seminar Series. In Trinity Term, I discussed my working paper on human trafficking at the Post-Doc Seminar Series. Outside College, I presented my work at the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics; European Society of Criminology; Criminal Networks Annual Workshop. In addition, I was an invited speaker at the Summer School on Organised Crime (University of Milan); the Covert Network Workshop (University of
Moreover, I have been an active member of the EU/FP7 FIDUCIA project: together with F. Varese, I co-led the working package on trafficking in human beings, coordinating the activities of five European partners and discussing the interim findings at two meetings held in Budapest and the Max-Planck Freiburg. As part of FIDUCIA, I co-organised in College a 2-day workshop on Human Trafficking and Smuggling in co-operation with Eurojust, the European Union’s Judicial Cooperation Unit.

I submitted my views on a new European legislation on organised crime during an official hearing at the European Commission (DG Home Affairs). I was also invited to a policy meeting on a new national legislation on organised crime held at the Home Office. Finally, I began advising the Italian Ministry of Interior Affairs.

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**Lucy Carpenter** (Emeritus Fellow) continues to focus her research on cancer epidemiology. Recently this has included studying Burkitt lymphoma, a childhood cancer particularly common in equatorial Africa, and its association with infectious diseases. In collaboration with Dr Tom Johnston and colleagues at the University of York, and Dr Sam Mbulaiteye at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, research carried out in Malawi focused on the genetic diversity of
infection with the malaria parasite *Plasmodium falciparum* in children diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma.

She has also continued her role as Associate Editor for the journal *Cancer Epidemiology*.

**Publications**


**Sir David Cox** (Honorary Fellow) I continued various lines of research set out in previous Annual Reports. These ranged from broad considerations about the formal basis of statistical inference to very specific studies, for example with clinicians in Salt Lake City analysing a large set of data covering for the last 25 years all patients in the US receiving hospital treatment for cystic fibrosis.

Dr Ruth Keogh (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine), an associate member of the College, and I had published a monograph on Case-Control Studies, a type of retrospective investigation widely used in epidemiology and some other fields.

I gave formal invited lectures in connection with the 180th anniversary of the Royal Statistical Society and in Belfast to CASI, the series of meetings which over very many years have brought statisticians from the two parts of Ireland together.

In July the College with great generosity was host to a one-day Conference in connection with my 90th birthday. Those invited were ex-colleagues, ex-students and collaborators from various branches of science. The papers covered a wide-range of fields and were mostly by younger workers.
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Ian Crawford (Professorial Fellow) I joined the Economics Group at Nuffield as a Senior Research Fellow at the beginning of this academic year. Previously I had been a fellow of New College. This year I completed a three year project funded by the Leverhulme Trust called ‘Are behavioural economic models falsifiable?’ This project took certain theoretical models popular in behavioural economics and asked the simple question “is it possible ever to make an empirical observation which could tell you that the model is wrong?” The models considered involved habitual behaviour, the dependence of preference on reference points and time-inconsistent choices. In each case the aim was to establish whether there were observable empirical implications which could falsify the model of interest without that falsification relying on some arbitrary and unverifiable theoretical assumption regarding the fine structure of the model. It turned out that, contrary to what I expected, the answer was a qualified “yes” in all three cases. Reference-dependence, for example, suggests that the individual’s preferences over alternatives depend upon some reference alternative which constantly changes. The idea that it may be possible to empirically falsify a model which hinges on the way in which one constantly varying unobservable (the reference point), influences another unobservable (preferences) seemed farfetched and it seemed, at the outset, that the likely conclusion would be that reference-dependence could be dismissed as being without essential
empirical content – that it could account for anything you could possibly observe. But this is turned out to be not the case. Whilst some versions of this model are certainly un-falsifiable, the most important kind is rejectable.

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Nan Dirk de Graaf (Official Fellow) finished his three-year period being a chair of the Sociology Group. He continued working on a variety of topics.

*Political Sociology*: Together with Giedo Jansen he finished a chapter (presented at the Nuffield Sociology Seminar) for an edited volume in which they answer the question how “bottom-up” and “top-down” changes in cultural conservatism account for changes in the effect of religion on party choice in the Netherlands. They employ data of the ‘Social and Cultural Developments in the Netherlands’ (SOCON) surveys. This is a data set of seven cross-sectional surveys that were conducted between 1979 and 2010.

Together with Joost van Spanje he finalized and submitted a paper on mainstream political parties’ issue-based reactions to niche parties. They extend the existing theoretical framework by bringing in a non-issue-based response, ostracism, and by arguing how this reaction changes the electoral effects of a particular type of issue-based strategy: co-opting niche party policies. In addition, they test this framework with more observations than any previous analysis in the field.

*Sociology of Religion*: A paper with Tim Mueller and Peter Schmidt on individual and contextual influences on religiosity was
accepted for publication in the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. The focus is on modelling religious socialization effects that depend on the religious context of a nation.

**Volunteering:** With Matthew Bennett and Stijn Ruiter he finalized an international comparative paper explaining volunteering based on the religious and socio-economic context at the micro and macro-level. It concerns an analysis of more than 100 countries and an intriguing finding is the complex impact of inequality on volunteering that supports Wilkinson’s relative income hypothesis: income inequality is associated with a decreased likelihood of volunteering in countries that exceed Wilkinson’s income threshold, whereas the opposite is true for those living in developing countries below this threshold.

With Dingeman Wiertz and Jochem Tolsma he worked on a revision of a paper on modeling decisions to start and quit volunteering for different types of voluntary organizations. In the paper they try to answer the question how individuals’ characteristics as well as the social composition of voluntary organizations affect these decisions.

**Hylke Dijkstra** (Research Fellow) As an EU Marie Curie Fellow at the Department of Politics and International Relations, I study the role of secretariats within international organisations. Secretariats are the permanent bureaucracies of international organisations. They are composed of civil servants who do not work directly for one of the member states. In my research, I am interested why the member states have established and empowered these secretariats and under which conditions civil servants in these secretariats affect policy outcomes in international organisations. I compare the secretariats of the EU, NATO and UN in the sensitive field of security affairs, an area in which member states are traditionally reluctant to delegate.

During my final year in Oxford, I have spent most of my time writing up my project in the form of my second research monograph. Much of my research consists of interviewing senior officials with in the EU, NATO and UN. By bringing all this data together in a book-
length format, a more general picture has appeared of the daily work of these institutions. In addition to my work on this project, I have co-organised a workshop at Nuffield on the role of international secretariats in international organisations. This workshop brought together seven papers analysing a wide range of institutions. This workshop nicely complemented my individual work on the monograph.

Outside Oxford, I have co-organised the section on International Organisations at the Pan-European Conference on International Relations in Warsaw in September 2013. I have also co-organised a workshop on Authority and Control in International Organisations at the ECPR Joint Sessions in Salamanca in April 2014. During the academic year, I have published an article on the reform of the NATO secretariat and two book chapters on EU security policy.

Publications

‘Functionalism, multiple principals and the reform of the NATO secretariat after the Cold War’, *Cooperation and Conflict*, OnlineFirst, DOI: 10.1177/0010836714532919.


‘Approaches to Delegation in EU Foreign Policy: The Case of the Commission’ in M. Wilga and I.

**Raymond Duch** (Official Fellow) I am a Professorial Fellow, Chair of the Senior Common Room and Director of Nuffield College Centre for Experimental Social Sciences (CESS). CESS has had another successful year and its activities are reviewed separately.

A principal focus of my research over the past academic year is to provide a careful and rigorous characterisation of the micro-
foundations of redistributive politics. For the most part these efforts have centered on the adaption of experimental methods in order to understand these micro-foundations. As part of this project, I, along with Hector Solaz, a former post-doc at CESS, have run real effort tax compliance experiments designed both to understand tax compliance and to recover preferences for redistributive tax rates. Results are summarized in a working paper entitled ‘Why We Cheat?’ which has been presented at a number of conferences and workshops. Over the past academic year I have also implemented similar tax compliance experiments in Moscow with my co-author at the Higher School of Economics in Moscow. Along with my co-author Pablo Beramundi from Duke University, I have implemented variations on these initial tax compliance experiments that incorporate richer treatments designed to capture features of both the tax and expenditure nature of tax regimes. And finally, with David Rueda, I am exploring similar themes employing experiments embedded in Internet surveys.

Another research area that I have focused on concerns responsibility attribution for collective decision-making. I am interested in understanding the heuristics individuals deploy for holding individual decision makers responsible for collective decisions – think about the parties in a governing coalition, senior managers in a firm, or the members of a remuneration committee. I contend that individuals have identifiable heuristics for attributing responsibility to individual decisions makers – employing experimental methods I describe these heuristics. It is also the case that decision makers anticipate these attribution responsibility heuristics and exploit this information strategically. Again I demonstrate this using experimental methods both in the outside the lab. I along with a number of post-docs and other colleagues (Matsuo, Przepioroka, Stevenson and Tyran) have been conducting experiments in which we attempt to identify these responsibility attribution heuristics by having subjects play collective Dictator Games in which the Dictator consists of a group of decision makers and recipients have the opportunity to punish individual members of the collective
Dictator group. A manuscript from one of these experiments entitled: ‘Responsibility Attribution for Collective Decision Makers’ was recently accepted for publication in the American Journal of Political Science.

A considerable corpus of my research has focused on demonstrating empirically how political context affects the formation of economic expectations that in turn helps account for cross-national variations in consumer sentiment. Recently I have initiated a project that attempts to recover, in a relatively unobtrusive fashion, measures of economic sentiment from social media context. In particular, I have been developing the software to facilitate the gathering and analysis of these data. This has been in collaboration with a former graduate student now at Carnegie Mellon University and my CESS post-doc Aki Matsuo. An initial manuscript was presented in January at the Tokyo meeting of the Asian Political Methodology Society.

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Geoffrey Evans (Official Fellow) Worked on various UK election and referendum studies. He was successful in a collaborative bid for the ESRC-funded 2016 Northern Ireland Assembly Election Study (2015-2017), following up on the Northern Ireland election studies he co-directed in the 1990s and 2000s. The first three waves of the British Election panel study were also undertaken, with the last of these immediately following the September 18th Referendum in Scotland. The findings of a comprehensive analysis of the referendum will be presented in Edinburgh in November. As part of the team directing the BES he has produced blogs on public opinion and electoral behaviour and made radio and television appearances discussing the impact and implications of UKIP’s success in the EU elections.
Work began on a monograph *The New Class War* to be published with Oxford University Press (with James Tilley). This book argues that the shrinking size of the working class in modern Britain has had profound consequences for its social and political marginalization, leading to a spiral of decline in electoral participation and representation. He also completed a study of the impact of party strategies on class voting in Austria and Switzerland (with Line Rennwald), while a paper with Anja Neundorf examining the long-term relationship between redistributive values and political choices was submitted for publication.

Methodological work with Mark Pickup continued with a paper demonstrating the use of a dynamic model with fixed effects for estimating causal effects from individual-level panel data using orthogonal re-parameterisation to produce a consistent estimator. The paper illustrates the utility of the approach through an empirical study of explanations of vote choice and accompanying simulations. Further panel-based work (with Kat Chzhen) forthcoming in *Political Science: Methods & Research* includes a critical debate on the limitations of valence models of political choice. An experimental study uses implicit association tests to compare the impact of candidates’ racial and gender on vote choice in the US (with Gemma Calvert).

Various papers examining postcommunist transition societies are under review: two with William van Taack examine individual, class and national level evaluations of market institutions and the influence of risk and uncertainty on social identity. Two with Ksenia Northmore-Ball examine the impact of denominational differences and state repression on religious revival, and growing inequality on political participation. The impact of transformation on social mobility is examined in a paper with Michelle Jackson. Studies of anti-Semitism (with Dordje Stefanovic and Bob Brym) and anti-Roma attitudes (with Stefanovic) were accepted for presentation at the ASEN and ASA annual meetings; a piece on radical right party support is under review.

He was a section chair at the EPSA meeting in Edinburgh in June, and presented a report on the BES at the EPOP meeting in September. An invited paper on the validity of the measurement of left-
right ideology in the comparative manifesto project (with Chris Prosser) was presented at the WZB in Berlin in May.

He continued as the Director of the Quantitative Methods Hub of the ESRC Doctoral Training Centre, as well as the Oxford Spring School in Quantitative Methods in Social Research. He edits *Electoral Studies* and is on the boards of several other journals. During 2013-14 he was Chair of the Politics Group. He also returned to being a full member of the Sociology Group.

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**Ray Fitzpatrick** (Professorial Fellow) continued as national director of the NIHR Programme for Health Services and Delivery Research, a funding programme of nearly 20 million pounds per annum to provide evidence to improve the quality and performance of the NHS. He became a member of the Scientific Strategy Committee of Arthritis Research UK. He was an applicant on a successful Oxford bid led by Richard Hobbs (Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences) to NIHR for 9 million pounds from January 2014 for an Oxford Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRC).
The NHS has been set an ambitious over-arching objective to achieve annual improvements in the quality of life of the more than 15 million individuals living with chronic disease. A long term project was started by my research group to improve our ability to measure and monitor this construct in a way that is feasible and acceptable for individuals and for the health and social care system.

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(with S. Hirani, M. Beynon, M. Cartwright, L. Rixon, H. Doll, C. Henderson, M. Bardsley, A.Steventon, M. Knapp, A. Rogers, P.


**Renaud Foucart** (Research Fellow) I work on models in microeconomic theory applied to problems in industrial organisation and public/environmental economics.

With Antonio Estache I have continued to develop a project entitled ‘a reverse holdup problem’. We show how increasing workers’ bargaining power can increase market efficiency and decrease unemployment, by giving incentives to employers to offer a more diversified pool of jobs when workers search more. We also show that the median voter is likely to oppose such a policy.

With Gregoire Garsous, we study the impact of technology spillovers on the incentives of developed countries to invest in ‘green’ technology. With Cheng Wan we study the strategic incentives countries have to decentralise the provision of global public goods. With Elisabetta Cornago, we provide a simple tool to rank quantity instruments in the market for conventional and renewable electricity when there is uncertainty over production costs.

I have also continued to work on earlier projects with Jana Friedichsen (on investments in network quality) and with Antonio Estache (on the best way to distinguish corruption from incompetence in politics).
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Jim Gallagher (Gwilym Gibbon Fellow) Another extraordinary year in the Scottish independence referendum which, at the time of writing, has yet to be decided. In a debate that lasted two years, academic contributions have been notable, and my main activity from Nuffield has been to help those in the debate notably the Better Together campaign whom I advise—understand and use the insights from academic and other analysis to explain the choice that faces the voters. The publication of the 2nd edition of our book Scotland’s Choices (Iain McLean, Jim Gallagher and Guy Lodge) was a consciously balanced, academic, and treatment of the arguments for and against independence, updated to include not just the Scottish government’s White Paper on the subject, but the stream of analytical material produced by the UK government. I’ve also continued to act as advisor to the relevant select committee in Parliament, where a series of academic economists have tried to bring alive the abstract analysis about currency policy and fiscal issues which have become a core part of the choice about Scottish statehood (perhaps surprisingly).

It has also been a year of public engagement - newspapers television and radio - explaining the underlying issues for voters who at least claim to be hungry for information on the subject. At a more academic level, there has been a substantial industry of seminars, conferences and debates – in my case everywhere from Inverness to Berlin - not only on the immediate question of independence, but more fruitfully on the way in which the UK’s territorial constitution might develop.

Duncan Gallie (Official Fellow) published a study of the impact of the economic crisis on the quality of work in Europe - ‘Economic Crisis, Quality of Work and Social Integration’. A feature of the book is that, despite their diverse current academic positions and locations, the great majority of the contributors had been at Nuffield College for their doctoral dissertations. It examines the implications of the economic crisis for people’s experiences of work: their skills, training, control over their jobs, work intensity and job insecurity. It also looks at its effects on work-family conflict, work motivation, subjective well-being and political attitudes. It drew evidence primarily from a European Social Survey module, carried out in 2010, that his team had successfully bid for in open competition and that partially replicated an ESS module that he helped develop in 2004. The book is particularly concerned with the marked differences between countries in the effects of the economic crisis as a result of differences in national institutional structures.

He also published a report on the current state of employee participation in Europe, that came out of a project with Dr Ying Zhou, University of Surrey, drawing on data from the 2010 European Working Conditions Survey. This focused on the issue of whether types of work organization that give employees relatively high levels of involvement in decision have benefits both for employers (by encouraging learning at work and higher motivation) and for employees (by leading to improvements in work conditions and higher levels of employee well-being). The extent of employee involvement in work was found to vary substantially between European countries (it was particularly high in the Nordic countries), but the beneficial effects for both employers and employees were confirmed in all of the major regions of Europe.
He has also been involved, together with Professors Alan Felstead and Francis Green, in the data analysis of the 2012 wave of the British Skills and Employment Surveys. This is part of a unique data series tracking changes in job skills and work quality in Britain that started with surveys he coordinated in 1986 (the Social Change and Economic Life Initiative) and in 1992 (the Employment in Britain Survey, together with Michael White), followed by subsequent skills surveys in 1997, 2001 and 2006 (coordinated by Francis Green and Alan Felstead). The project was co-funded by the Economic and Social Research Council and the UK Commission for Employment and Skills. An edited book is close to completion, with the title of ‘Unequal Britain at Work’. This examines the very different trends over the last quarter of a century in the quality of jobs of different sectors of the British workforce.

He has continued to be a Member of the Strategic Advisory Board of the Danish National Institute of Social Research, of the Scientific Council of the Paris School of Economics and of the Scientific Council of CREST-GENES, Paris. He has been on the Advisory Committee of the Smith Institute’s Working Life Inquiry, chaired by Ed Sweeney. He is an ‘Elder’ of the European Consortium of Asian Field Study, which groups the main European overseas institutes in Asia. At Nuffield, he has completed his term as Fellow Librarian. It also has been the final year of his very happy period as an Official Fellow.

Javier Garcia-Manglano (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow)
During my first year as PPRF two of my articles have been published, I have completed four research papers (three of which are currently under review), and prepared a short piece soon to appear in the International Encyclopedia of the Social & Behavioral Sciences. Two of these papers originated from my doctoral dissertation. One models the life-course work trajectories of American women born between 1944 and 1954, and was presented in May at the Population Association of America annual meeting in Boston. The other one looks at the role of work expectations in explaining early baby-boom women's human
capital investments and professional achievement, and was presented in June at the meeting of the Work and Family Researchers Network in New York City. The other two completed papers involved collaboration with scholars in the United States. With Sasha Killewald (Harvard University) I investigated the intra-household allocation of time between paid work and housework, as well as its consequences for wage inequality between coresiding partners; this paper was presented last November at a research seminar of the DEMOSOC group at Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona. Finally, with Joan Kahn and Frances Goldscheider (University of Maryland) I completed a piece looking at the role of race and unmarried motherhood in explaining the rise in coresidence with, and financial dependence on, older relatives, among young-adult American women, between 1970 and 2010. The short paper for the Encyclopedia, written with Almudena Sevilla and Natalia Nollenberger (Queen Mary University of London), looks at the relationship between gender, time-use, and fertility recovery in industrialized countries. At Nuffield, I co-organised the Sociology Seminar in Trinity Term, and fought with the “Nuffield Lions” football team in a not-too-successful football season. I also supervised a MPhil student for the Department of Sociology, and taught an undergraduate tutorial on “Poverty, Social Policy and the Family” for an international student of Regent’s Park College.

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Jay Gershuny (Senior Research Fellow) This year the Centre for Time Use Research (CTUR) which I direct won an ERS Advanced Grant, and ESRC centre funding for five years from May 2014. With additional US NIH grants, these will allow us to recruit five new members, bringing the staffing total to 12. The ESRC is supporting a UK time use study (5,000 households, 20,000 diary days), and the Multinational Time Use Study, with individual-level data from 70 separate surveys, from 20 countries, covering 1961 to the present, allowing international comparisons of historical change in populations’ use of time.

Beyond CTUR’s original focus on sociological and economic issues, various new applications have recently emerged. One Oxford colleague recently claimed that population sleep time had been reduced by more than an hour per night by the advent of ‘24/7 society’. Our diary data, measuring sleep time directly and consistently over multiple decades in many different countries, convinced him that these claims were groundless. Researchers working on obesity, heart disease and other sources of morbidity find the only consistent cross-national historical data on exercise in the MTUS. Similarly, the daily activities registered in time diaries, give rise to household demand for use of energy (particularly electricity). The ESRC Centre grant accordingly also supports collaboration with Oxford colleagues in various departments working on health and sleep science and environmental sustainability.

My own research activity this year had two focusses. One was estimating individuals’ long-term probabilities of participation in particular activities by combining the single-day estimates from diaries, with more general but unreliable answers to ‘stylized’ questionnaire items such as “How frequently do you (exercise/go to concerts/the pub)? The zero-sum nature of the day (time at the pub cannot be spent in exercise or at concerts) means that answers to all the stylized questions yield information on each sort of time use registered in the diaries. The second, working with Oriel Sullivan and Kimberly Fisher, attempts both to establish the long term trend in the work/leisure balance in a wide range of developed countries, and to develop some
specifically sociological theories to explain how and why this changes over time.

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John Goldthorpe (Emeritus Fellow) During the year I was engaged on three projects.

First, together with Erzsébet Bukodi, Lorraine Waller and Jouni Kuha (LSE), I continued to work on an ESRC-funded project on the role of education in intergenerational social mobility in Britain. A paper reporting on findings from this study on current trends in mobility is forthcoming in the British Journal of Sociology. A further paper, proposing that in analyses of its role in mobility education should be treated in relative terms – i.e. as a ‘positional good’ - was presented at a conference of the European Consortium for Sociological Research in Berlin in September.

Second, also with Erzsébet Bukodi, I contributed as part of the British team to a comparative study, supported by the Fell Fund, of the effects of parental resources of differing kinds on children’s educational attainment. A paper we have co-authored with Robert Erikson (Swedish Institute for Social Research and Honorary Fellow)
was the basis of a seminar given in the Department of Education and is forthcoming in *Acta Sociologica*.

Third, during the year I completed a draft of a short book, provisionally entitled *Sociology as a Population Science*, and am now looking for a suitable publisher. I gave presentations relating to parts of the book, concerned with issues of causation in population sciences, in the Department of Statistics and at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

In May I gave a plenary lecture, ‘How to Think About Social Stratification in the 21st Century’, at a meeting in Budapest of the ISA Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility. I continue to serve as a member of the government’s Social Mobility Transparency Board.

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**Charles Gottlieb** (Research Fellow) With Jan Grobovsek (University of Edinburgh), we developed a research agenda at the nexus of development and macroeconomics. In most of the least developed countries, relative labour productivity in agriculture – compared to non-agriculture – is extremely low in relation to more advanced economies. It is low in *real* terms, which is indicative of agriculture being subject to inefficiencies vis-à-vis non-agriculture. And it is low in *nominal* terms, which is indicative of transaction costs associated with moving labour away from agriculture. Moreover, a large fraction of the workforce is active precisely in agriculture, rendering that sector
key in understanding the order of magnitude in income differences across the world. Our research agenda aims to assess if and how the lack of first, secure private land property rights and second, of developed financial markets contribute to this so-called ‘Agricultural Productivity Gap’.

With Maren Froemel (University of Konstanz), we investigated the macroeconomic (general equilibrium) effects of tax credit policies in the United States. Many microeconomic studies show sizeable effects on household labour supply and labour market participation. Despite these findings, macroeconomic research has so far overlooked potential effects on wages, which could offset the increase in income due to the tax credit, and make recipients worse off. We find that the macroeconomic framework confirms the findings from the empirical microeconometric literature. There is indeed downward pressure on wages, but it does not offset the overall gains from the policy. Furthermore, the policy predicts an increase in pre-tax earnings inequality and a decline in productive efficiency. An important question is whether these aggregate and distributional implications are observed in the data, some of which need to be tested empirically.

Publications


Ursula Hackett (Research Fellow) After submitting my doctoral thesis in September I started a three-year Junior Research Fellowship at the Rothermere American Institute (RAI), and in January I had a successful viva and assumed my fellowship at Nuffield. I work on federalism, education policy and church-state issues in the United
States, and the methodology of Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA). My current research examines the partial privatization of the American education system through tax credits, vouchers and charters. I am working on several projects, including: (1) theorizing the ‘submerged state’, education policy and tax expenditures, (2) new QCA methodology work, and (3) a collaborative project with Professor Desmond King on vouchers and racial alliances. I am organizing an interdisciplinary conference jointly with Dr Nicholas Cole on ‘The Rights of the Political Minority in America’, to be held in September at the Rothermere American Institute and Pembroke College.

It has been a busy year for conferences. In January I presented a paper on Lyndon Johnson’s Great Society at the American Politics Group of the Political Studies Association conference. It won the Richard E. Neustadt paper prize and is now under review. At the Midwest Political Science Association conference in April I presented a paper on what Suzanne Mettler terms the ‘submerged state’: government social policies delivered via private organizations and tax expenditures. Recently I presented two papers at the European Political Science Association conference. The first is a companion piece to methodology work I published last year in Quality & Quantity. It develops two original techniques for applying the Boolean exclusive disjunction to fuzzy set QCA. The second paper examines the relationship between religiosity, US state politics and religious school aid. Both papers are now under review. I am currently preparing to present a paper at the American Political Science Association conference on school vouchers and racial alliances, a piece co-authored with Desmond King.

This year I started a relationship with Oxford Analytica and now write for them regularly on the politics of education in the United States. I lectured on US politics and marked graduate theses and Finals papers. I also took an active role overseeing the RAI academic programme on its Executive and Academic committees.

Publications


**Sarah Harper** (Senior Research Fellow) continued her work as Director of the Oxford Institute of Population Ageing. Her current research concerns the implications of global population ageing, addressing the implications of the age-structural shift from predominantly young to predominantly older societies. The main focus of research this year has been the fertility transition in sub-Saharan Africa, and the interaction of environmental and demographic change in Vietnam.

Research into the fertility transition in Africa addresses the complex interaction of the drivers leading to falls in child bearing in the region, and an understanding of the stalling of fertility decline in several African counties. High fertility challenges the well-being of individuals and communities in the poorest developing countries. While Family Planning/Sexual and Reproductive Health programmes have made significant advances globally in helping women achieve the family size they desire, in some parts of the world, in particular sub-Saharan Africa, fertility decline is slowing or even stalling. It is now widely recognized that we need more understanding of the drivers behind the uptake of family planning methods, and in particular the role that education and environment can play. Sarah directs a research group of demographers who are undertaking analysis of the DHS data in a spectrum of African countries to explore these questions.

Sarah continues range of professional commitments. She serves as a member of the *Prime Minister’s Council for Science and Technology*, Chairs the government *Scientific Review into the Ageing Population of the UK*, serves as the UK representative on the *European
Academies Demography Panel, representing the Royal Society, and is a member of the Public Health Working Group of the Academy of Medical Sciences. She continues to serve on the Council of the World Demographic Advisory Association, the Advisory Board of the English Longitudinal Study of Ageing (ELSA), Governor of the Pensions Policy Institute, and the Scientific Board of Natural England, and Council of Population Europe.

Various academic papers have been presented over the year in Hong Kong, Taiwan, India and South Africa and at several European meetings. Sarah presented her work at the Oxford Literary Festival in February and at the Hay Festival in May. She continues as co-editor of the Journal of Population Ageing, published by Springer.

Publications


Anthony Heath (Emeritus Fellow) I have continued to work half-time in the Department of Sociology at Oxford and half-time in the Institute for Social Change, University of Manchester. Much of this year has been devoted to finalizing the cross-national study on ethnic inequalities in education (a belated product of the Equalsoc network). This will be published later this year with the title Unequal Attainments: Ethnic Educational Inequalities in Ten Western Countries (Proceedings of the British Academy 196). One of the main contributions of this study has been to explore the extent to which the degree of ‘positive’ or ‘negative’ selection of the migrant generation can explain the
educational success of their children. We find for example that the educational success of the children of Indian or Chinese migrants to western countries can partly be explained by the selectivity of their parents; migrants from these countries are not a representative cross-section of Indians or Chinese but are highly distinctive with respect to their educational attainments, and are probably highly distinctive in terms of their drive and determination as well. In contrast, migrants from one European country to another tend to be less distinctive from non-migrants.

I have also been leading an international team developing a module of questions on the public’s attitudes to immigration for inclusion in the 2014 wave of the European Social Survey. This will document attitudes towards different types of migrant and will also test the main explanatory theories, particularly those emphasizing economic threat, symbolic threat, and the role of social contact. We have also constructed a standardized measure of ethnic origins which can be used in all European countries.

I have been busy with various forms of ‘public engagement’, including giving evidence to the House of Commons Political and Constitutional Reform Committee on the electoral registration and turnout of ethnic minorities, an Executive Training Seminar on ‘Principles of Equality and Challenges of Discrimination: Problems and Effective Remedies’, at the Robert Schuman Centre, EUI and a presentation on ‘Social change and its challenges’ at a cross-Government Strategic Foresight Symposium organized by the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory. During the year I had brief spells as a visiting fellow at JNU, Delhi and at Turku University, Finland.

Publications


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(with David Sanders, Stephen Fisher and Maria Sobolewska (2013) ‘The calculus of ethnic minority voting in Britain’, *Political Studies* (published online).


Yuval Heller (Research Fellow) I continued to work on various projects intended to achieve better understanding of bounded rationality using the tools of evolutionary game theory.

I completed three projects, which have been accepted to publication this year. The first project (‘Three Steps Ahead’) studies limited foresight in interactions of repeated Prisoner's Dilemma. The second project (‘Language, meaning, and games... : Comment’) highlights the fact that various results in the existing literature crucially depend on an assumption of discontinuity of preferences, and that this assumption is problematic in evolutionary models. Finally, the third project (‘Stability and trembles in extensive-form games’) discusses the importance of the relative magnitude of the influence of ‘mutants’ and ‘trembles’ in evolutionary models.

In addition, I continued to work on two working papers with a similar research agenda (‘The Endowment Effect As a Blessing’ with Roe Teper and Sivan Frenkel; and ‘Rule Rationality’ with Eyal Winter), and on two projects that are still work in progress, which deal both with different aspects of the following question: which behavior is stable in populations in which each agent can observe a limited information about the opponent's preferences or past behavior, and in addition, agents can influence the amount of observability (both projects are joint with Erik Mohlin).
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**Sir David Hendry** (Senior Research Fellow) continued as Director of the Programme in Economic Modelling, *Institute for New Economic Thinking at the Oxford Martin School*, funded jointly by George Soros, through the Open Society Foundations, and Dr James Martin (who sadly died last year), through the Oxford Martin School.

Expectations play an important role in many economic theories as well as most financial markets. Central Banks use interest rates for inflation ‘targets’ based on expected, or forecast, inflation one or two years ahead. Although it is unclear how accurate agents’ expectations of future variables are, even considering sophisticated agents, many economic models, such as the new-Keynesian Phillips curve (NKPC) include expected future values, often estimated after replacing the expected value by the actual future outcome. Crises, breaks and regime shifts are relatively common, yet the underlying theory does not allow for their occurrence. Spurious outcomes can arise when location shifts are not modelled but expectations are in fact irrelevant, so we propose an impulse-indicator saturation (IIS) test of such specifications, applied to USA and Euro-area NKPCs: the added indicators are highly significant in both cases and reject invariance. (with Jennifer Castle, Jurgen Doornik and Ragnar Nyomoen—University of Oslo).
When a model under-specifies the data generation process, model selection can improve over estimating a prior specification, especially if location shifts occur. IIS can ‘correct’ non-constant intercepts induced by location shifts in omitted variables, which leave estimated slope parameters unaltered even when correlated with included variables. However, location shifts in included variables induce changes in estimated slopes when there are correlated omitted variables. IIS helps mitigate the adverse impacts of induced location shifts on non-constant intercepts and estimated standard errors, and can provide an automatic intercept correction to improve forecasts following location shifts. (with Jennifer Castle).

Unpredictability arises from intrinsic stochastic variation, unexpected instances of outliers, and unanticipated extrinsic shifts of distributions. We investigate their properties, relationships, and different effects on economic analysis, econometric modelling and forecasting. The implications of unanticipated shifts for economic analyses using conditional expectations and inter-temporal derivations are pernicious: the former need not be unbiased and the latter become mathematically invalid. Consequently, model forms that rely on such derivations will crash precisely when unanticipated location shifts occur, so economic agents may adopt robust devices to avoid systematic forecast failure following shifts. (with Grayham Mizon).

Professor Hendry delivered courses at the Modelling and Forecasting Easter School, Washington and at the Summer School in Aix. He presented keynote addresses at the First International Association for Applied Econometrics Conference, London; the Max Planck Institute for Mathematics Conference, Leipzig; OxMetrics Conference, Washington; CFE’13, London; the Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics Conference, Brunel University [Modelling Economic and Financial Time Series, Loughborough]; and at the Autometrics Workshop, Oxford, as well as seminars at Oxford Asset Management, the Stern School of Business, New York University, and Copenhagen University.
He was named a Thomson Reuters Citation Laureate and received the First Lifetime Achievement Award from the Economic and Social Research Council.

Publications


Michal Horvath (Research Fellow) continued his research on the potential consequences of allowing the UK unemployment benefits to vary with the economic cycle. Work (joint with Adiya Belgibayeva) has been largely concluded on the project concerning the optimal
coordination of monetary and fiscal policies in an economy stuck in a liquidity trap in which wage adjustment is not readily available as an adjustment channel. There are also new results in the project (joint with Ioana Moldovan, University of Glasgow) on appropriate simple mandates for central banks. Finally, Michal began working on a model of fiscal adjustment and the distribution of public debt in a monetary union.

Michal presented his work in conferences held at the ZEW in Mannheim, at the Midwest Macroeconomic Meetings at the University of Missouri at Columbia, MO, at the Computing in Economics and Finance Conference in Oslo, and at the University of Manchester.

Michal organized the (first) NUMERIC (Nuffield Macroeconomic Researchers’ Informal Conference) bringing together macroeconomic researchers based in Nuffield College at present and in the past, colleagues from the Department of Economics as well as other colleges.

Michal has served the second year of his three-year appointment as a member of the Council for Budget Responsibility – an independent fiscal watchdog – in Slovakia.

Gwilym Hughes (Bursar and Supernumerary Fellow) has organised the following OIG Seminars and Workshops in College:

31 October
Colonel Nick Baker OBE and Major Simon Puxley, Intelligence Corps, Defence Intelligence and Security Centre, Chicksands.

The speakers outlined recent experience, with particular reference to intelligence support of Task Force Helmand and in Mali, and discussed current and future developments.

30 January
‘Open Source: Mysteries and secrets in the million channel universe’. 
Chris Westcott described the work of BBC Monitoring including some topical case studies from its observation of the world's media.

6 March

‘How is multilateral cooperation between intelligence agencies evolving?’.

Alexander Evans, co-ordinator al-Qaida/Taliban Monitoring Team, United Nations and Nigel Inkster, IISS.

‘Intelligence at the Operational level’

Commodore Bob Sanguinetti, PJHQ (formerly ACOS J2).

4 June


**Ian Jewitt** (Official Fellow) has been working with Esteban Ortiz Ospina on how to optimally design a rule for selecting the best candidate from a pool of applicants when the pool of applicants itself depends on the rule adopted. Such a situation naturally arises in university admissions when certain disadvantaged social groups might be discouraged from applying if the perceived cost is too high relative to the chances of being admitted. The theory appears to give a new twist to possible rationales for positive discrimination. Another project concerns rather basic aspects of the theory of insurance. Much of the existing theory, which informs empirical work, assumes there is a loss of fixed amount that may or may not occur. But health insurance contracts, for example, cover a multitude of possible illnesses and financial consequences. The aim is to understand the nature of optimal insurance contracts when more than one type of loss can occur.

**Erik Jones** (Senior Research Fellow) My research in the past year focused on the European economic crisis and its impact on European politics more generally. In writing about the crisis, I tried to explain how the roots of the disruption can be found in the process of financial market integration that started in the late 1980s and early
1990s. The euro as a single currency had an impact on how countries performed once the crisis struck, but it was not the cause and the same forces that created volatility in euro area sovereign debt markets could be felt in countries outside the euro as well. This argument is important because it explains why European policymakers should pay more attention to the project to create a European banking union even if at the expense of efforts to engage in fiscal consolidation and market-structural reform.

My research resulted in a number of publications of which three warrant particular attention. The first is a collection of short essays that I wrote on a weekly basis called ‘The Year the European Crisis Ended’. The second is an edited volume for classroom use called ‘Europe Today’. The third is the paperback edition of the ‘Oxford Handbook of the European Union’. These three volumes address different audiences and convey very different messages; each benefited greatly from my Oxford affiliation.

Publications


Yuen Foong Khong (Professorial Fellow) presented his work-in-progress on the American tributary system to the International Relations colloquium, Princeton University and the Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, in April 2014. The presentations incorporated new arguments about the utility of viewing U.S. relations with the rest of the world since 1898 by...
employing the tributary idea, usually associated with China’s system of international relations. In August 2014, he also participated in the 16th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers, organized by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies., Singapore. He chaired the first session on ‘The Changing Dimensions of Strategy’. In September 2014, he also presented a paper to the Maritime Governance in 21st Century Asia Conference, organized by the Centre for Rising Powers at the University of Cambridge.

Publications


Desmond King (Professorial Fellow) Professor Desmond King has been on sabbatical during 2013-14. His entry in the Annual Report will recur next year.

Paul Klemperer (Professorial Fellow) I worked on two research projects:
(i) banking reform, with Jacob Goldfield (a former Chief Investment Officer at Soros Fund Management, and senior partner and Head of Global Fixed Income Derivatives at Goldman Sachs 1990-2000) and Jeremy Bulow (Stanford University).

We wrote about ‘Equity Recourse Notes’ (ERNs), a new form of hybrid capital for banks, which curb booms and cushion busts by creating counter-cyclical incentives for banks to raise capital; ERNs also help solve the “too-big-to-fail” problem. So rather than forcing banks to increase equity, we could permit them to add the same
percentage of either ERNs or equity--this also gives some choice to those who claim (rightly or wrongly) that equity is more costly than debt. ERNs can be introduced within the current regulatory system (i.e., without upsetting the Basel structure), but also provide a way to transition away from regulatory-capital requirements and replace them with market-capital requirements.

See [www.nuff.ox.ac.uk/users/klemperer/ERNs.pdf](http://www.nuff.ox.ac.uk/users/klemperer/ERNs.pdf).

(ii) developing better auction designs, with Elizabeth Baldwin (former Nuffield student, now Grantham Institute LSE)

In October, current Bank of England Governor (and former Nuffield student) Mark Carney announced that the Bank would use the Product-Mix Auction I invented for his predecessor (Mervyn King), to offer money at a lower cost, in larger auctions, and in exchange for a wider range of collateral; we helped the Bank introduce an enhanced auction design in mid-February. The updated version permits more dimensions (i.e., more finely distinguishes between different qualities of collateral offered by the bidders) and endogenises total quantity (i.e., varies the total amount of money allocated according to the details of the bidding).

Related work obtains new answers to the classical economic question: when does competitive equilibrium exist? We worked on other related theory with Paul Milgrom (Stanford University). Our work is now supported by the ESRC. (Recent working papers are here [www.paulklempner.org](http://www.paulklempner.org))

I did my usual teaching for the MPhil in Economics and the Business School’s MSc in Financial Economics, with occasional lectures to the MBA, the Executive MBA, and the (Oxford) Blavatnik School of Government’s Master of Public Policy programmes, gave a variety of invited lectures and seminars, and co-organised (with Ansgar Walther) a Financial Policy Conference in College in June.

**Guy Lodge** (Gwilym Gibbon Fellow) The Scottish referendum debate has dominated much of my research on UK politics this year. Iain McLean, Jim Gallagher and I teamed up to complete a fully revised second edition of our book *Scotland’s Choices*, which was
published in the summer of 2014. At IPPR I finished our *Devo More* project which tries to define what a ‘No’ vote means. We have published detailed blueprints for strengthening the powers of the Scottish Parliament over taxation and welfare, providing a clear alternative to independence. This work has directly influenced the proposals put forward by the main unionist parties, which have each published reports on the case for further devolution.

To celebrate the life of IPPR founding director James Cornford, I edited a book in his honour, which tries to breathe new life into debates on democratic reform in Britain. A core theme to emerge in the book is the need to tackle political inequality, a subject I looked at in more detailed with Sarah Birch and Glenn Gottfried in our paper on turnout inequality. This assessed the consequences of differential electoral turnout on government policy and found that voters are privileged over non-voters in spending decisions.

The second half of the year has focused on capacity building work in Africa. I took a 6 month sabbatical from IPPR to act as senior adviser to DfID’s Zambian Economic Advocacy Programme, which is supporting the development of local think tanks and research institutes in Lusaka. This work will continue part-time for the next 12 months.

The long slog of the REF is over. My part was relatively easy, acting as an impact assessor for the politics and international relations panel.

Finally, I was delighted to be appointed a Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for Contemporary British History, Kings College, London (2014-16), which will enable me to pursue research interests in British political history.

**Publications**


Iain McLean (Official Fellow) continued to work mostly on Scotland, and on church and state. However for the second year running I spent too much time reviewing other people’s publications with too little time to write my own.

The REF (Research Excellence Framework) panel for Politics and International Relations occupied the whole reporting period and panellists are not released until October 2014. Each of us has had to grade about 450 books and papers, fifty-eight impact templates, 58 environment templates, and some 20 impact case studies. There is a professional name for this: directly unproductive profit-seeking activities – defined as activities in pursuit of a fixed-sum rent from government activity. Although I share many others’ doubts about evaluating research through informational shortcuts such as citation rates and journal rankings, the 2014 exercise has been unsustainable and unrepeatable. It has generated gallows humour and a sense of bonding among the panellists.

The second edition of Scotland’s Choices, with Jim Gallagher and Guy Lodge, was published in the spring and launched in Edinburgh. It continues to attract journalistic attention and will do until referendum day on 18 September.

Legally Married, with Scot Peterson, was published in autumn 2013. It has been extensively cited, especially among those with concerns as to whether religious communities should (or must) recognise same-sex marriages.
I continued policy and consultancy work on constitutional reform (and also, away from my day job, for organisations seeking grant support to conserve industrial heritage items such as cranes and locomotives). I was an expert witness before several parliamentary select committees. I continued to advise the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in an informal capacity. I became chair of the Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway Preservation Co. (a registered charity).

I served a further year as Vice-President for Public Policy of the British Academy, during which our work with the Royal Society of Edinburgh, *Enlightening the Constitutional Debate*, was seen through the press. I continued to serve on fellowship committees of both academies.

As in most recent years, I devised and taught a course at Charles University (Prague), this year with Scot Peterson. This puts me in touch with (what I see as) the Hussite bloodmindedness that has informed Czech resistance to autocracy from Jan Hus to the Masaryks, the Good Soldier Švejk and Vaclav Havel.

Noteworthy solos/duets in the year included *Virga Jesse Floruit* and *Ja ja, ihr starker Helden, seht* both by J. S. Bach (from BWV 243a and 207a). The latter is a somewhat North-Korean paean of praise to the Elector of Saxony.

*Publications*


Margaret Meyer (Official Fellow) continued research on a range of topics in the economics of information and incentives.

She continued her investigation of statistical orderings for assessing whether one set of random variables displays a greater degree of interdependence than another set. ‘Assessing Interdependence Using the Supermodular Stochastic Ordering: Theory and Applications’ is joint work with Bruno Strulovici of Northwestern University. Meg presented this work at the Spring 2014 Workshop in Economic Theory at Queen Mary University of London and at Cambridge University. She is continuing to explore applications of orderings of interdependence to a range of economic issues, including group decision-making, matching with informational frictions, risk-sharing among banks, and revealed preference analysis.

With Ines Moreno de Barreda (Nuffield) and Julia Nafziger (Aarhus), Meg continued to analyse information transmission in settings where a decision-maker has imperfect information about the consequences of a policy and seeks advice from better-informed experts, whose preferences are not perfectly aligned with those of the decision-maker, i.e. the experts are “biased”. The focus of the research is to identify in what environments the decision-maker can, by playing off the experts against one another, elicit from them all of their private information, even when the magnitudes of the experts’ biases are arbitrarily large. ‘The Robustness of Full Revelation in Multisender Cheap Talk’ was presented at conferences and workshops in Barcelona, Krakow, and London, as well as at the Econometric Society European Meeting in Toulouse.

Meg also began a research project on social learning models, focusing on settings where individuals observe only the most recent decisions of others and studying the nature of the inefficiencies in equilibrium decisions. Another new project aims to test experimentally the predictions of one of her theoretical models of contract design in the presence of moral hazard.

Meg continued her terms on the Executive Committee and Council of the Econometric Society and on the Organizing
Committee of the European Summer Symposium in Economic Theory.

**David Miller** (Official Fellow) My main project this year has been to write a book on the political philosophy of immigration. This began in January after completing most of my second (and last) period of part-secondment to the Blavatnik School of Government to deliver their Foundations course – ethics and political philosophy applied to public policy. The course is now in good shape, and ready to hand over to the permanent faculty of the School, and my only regret is that I shall not be there to present it in the palatial surroundings of the new building currently being constructed alongside Walton Street.

At first glance it is surprising that more sustained attention has not been given to the normative issues surrounding immigration, given its prominence in public debate. Traditionally political philosophy has concerned itself with the relation between the state and its (existing) citizens, and although there has recently been an upsurge of writing on global justice, the specific nature of the state-immigrant relationship hasn’t been addressed. Most academic writing on the subject, whether by economists, human rights lawyers or moral philosophers, assumes that in principle borders should remain fully open: controls are a regrettable concession to the prejudices of the public. In the book I dispute this assumption, and argue that there are a number of reasons why well-functioning political communities need to have a relatively stable membership, and are therefore entitled to regulate immigration. They don’t, however, have a morally free hand in choosing who to admit: in particular their admission policy must be human rights-compliant. The book, then, will bring together my long-standing interest in questions of nationality, citizenship and social justice with more recent work on borders and human rights. My aim is to have a complete draft, for Harvard University Press, by October 2014.

In the course of the year I presented papers at the following universities: Ottawa, London School of Economics, Sciences Po (Paris), University College, London, Southampton, Sorbonne,
European University Institute, Zurich, Rijeka, Edinburgh. I also gave a short course on Global Justice and Collective Responsibility to students at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem during May.

Publications


**Colin Mills** (Professorial Fellow) I spent most of this academic year working on two things, one destructive the other constructive. The first is a critique of the so called Great British Class Survey which is now published in *Sociology*. I also have pieces on the same topic forthcoming in *Sociology Review* and *Sociological Review*. More constructively I’ve been putting a significant amount of effort into the construction of a database suitable for the analysis of social mobility in the early Twentieth Century. This consists of several complementary samples: recipients of County Scholarships in the London area between 1893 and 1904; a general London sample from the 1891 Census; a sample of “elites”. In all three cases I am proceeding by means of nominal record linkage using online censuses and other historical records to track people’s occupational position and the timing of major demographic events through time. When complete the database will be used to study occupational mobility, fertility and marriage decisions over four generations. On a lighter note I’ve had fun maintaining my blog *Oxford Sociology* and been pleasantly surprised by the growth in its readership.

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**Melinda Mills** (Professorial Fellow) I was pleased to join the College’s Sociology group as the Nuffield Professor of Sociology in June 2014. Over the past year I have been working on several projects and remain as the Editor-in-Chief of the European Sociological Review since 2012.

A policy project I finished in this period was funded by the European Commission Directorate General of Fundamental Rights focusing on ‘Gender Equality in the Workforce: Reconciling work,
private and family life in Europe’. I was the lead author on three papers in relation to the progress towards the Barcelona childcare targets, gender inequalities in the transition from school to work and family-friendly working schedules. In these papers we use the EU-SILC and EU-LFS. We were pleased to note that our initial recommendations detailing why European childcare targets were unrealistic and were unmet had been taken up in the European Parliament. The work on gender inequalities in the transition from school to work demonstrates how female-specific educational fields do not pay off in the labour market. I am currently reworking these papers into a series of journal articles.

‘FamiliesAndSocieties’ is a second project, which is a large European (KP7) financed project consisting of multiple partners and running from 2013-2017. College colleagues Monden and Billari will also join this project. I lead the project on late fertility, childlessness and Assisted Reproductive Technology where we are currently finishing several articles on cross-border reproductive care and regulatory and economic aspects of ART in Europe. I co-organized a workshop in Padua, Italy in the fall and also met and presented our work at a conference in Tallinn, Estonia in January.

Most of my efforts were on a third project and finalizing a mid-career Dutch Science Foundation (VIDI) grant to examine the genetic and social determinants of fertility outcomes (i.e., timing of births, number of children, infertility). I am pleased to be able to extend this work within the auspices of an ERC Consolidator Grant that I received in December 2013. I hope to integrate new techniques such as using polygenic (multiple) genetic markers as predictors, using genetic markers as instrumental variables and to examine gene and socio-environmental interaction models. I am completing various papers on this project, the most notable being a genome-wide association search on fertility traits using over 80 datasets.

At the moment I am also finalizing a series of papers (in various stages in the publication pipeline) on assortative mating project using multinational internet dating data where we examine aspects such as ethnic preferences, whether divorcees ‘trade down’
and preferences of gays and lesbians in relation to national attitudes and legal marriage policies. In 2014, I also organized various sessions at the Population Association of America Meetings in Boston in May and the European Population Conference (EPC) in Budapest in June. I was also honored to deliver a keynote address at the opening session of the EPC conference.

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Christiaan Monden (Professorial Fellow) I continued work on mortality of twins in Sub-Saharan Africa. The natural rate of twin births is higher in Sub-Saharan Africa than anywhere else in the world. Unfortunately, mortality at young ages is very high too, especially
among twins (up to 30% of twins die before age 5). The social status of twins varies greatly across ethnic and geographic groups in Africa. In some place twins are venerated, in others they are seen as witches. We are now linking mortality rates by region and ethnic groups to ethnographic information about the social status of twins. Gilles Pison (INED, Paris) has joined me and Jeroen Smits (Nijmegen) on this project. We have also been working on trends in twin rates in developed countries. Twin rates have increased two to three-fold since the early 1980s. We assess to what extent that increase is the result of changes in age at birth on the one hand and of assisted reproductive techniques on the other hand. More specifically, we want to link changes in medical technology, regulation and practices to the initial increase and, for some countries, recent decrease/stabilization of twin rates.

In my more traditional lines of sociological studies, I continued to work on the links between family formation/separation and well-being (in European countries). At the start of the academic year, I hosted the 11th conference of the European Network for the Sociological and Demographic Study of Divorce at the sociology department and Nuffield. There is much variation across Europe in the correlates of marriage and divorce and relevant policies. Moreover, quantifying causes and consequences is notoriously difficult in this field, but that also makes it an exciting topic to work on. In March, Sarah Westphal (Utrecht) presented results from our paper on the association between children’s well-being and residence arrangements after divorce for a report to Dutch MPs.

Two big grant applications both got to the final stages of their competition. With success rates of 7 and 8% it was not entirely surprising, but still disappointing, to be left empty-handed in the end. I revised and resubmitted my grant application to the European Research Council. Surely the success rates can’t be any lower this year?

A few months ago, field work was completed for the second wave of the Netherlands Longitudinal Lifecourse Study (https://easy.dans.knaw.nl/ui/datasets/id/easy-dataset:34387)
of which I’m one of the PIs. We now have to find additional funds for the third wave. It is great to see papers coming out based on the first wave. Publications using the rich data of the two waves will follow soon. One Nuffield student (Dingeman Wiertz) has actually already been working on the preliminary wave 1&2 data to study ethnic mixing and sorting in voluntary associations.

Finally, I took on two new administrative / academic service roles: Associate Editor for the European Sociological Review and Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) at the sociology department. Being DGS means having to sit through too many meetings but on the other hand it is great to work more closely with students and help shape the next generation of sociologists.

Publications


(with Jochem Tolsma, Paul de Graaf, Matthijs Kalmijn, Gerbert Kraaykamp). ‘Design and content of the Netherlands Longitudinal Lifecourse Study’ (NELLS) Codebook panel (Wave 1 and Wave 2). Nijmegen: University of Nijmegen.

John Muellbauer (Senior Research Fellow) continued to serve as Investment Bursar for the non-property side of the College portfolio. He also continued as a Senior Fellow of the Institute for New
Economic Thinking at the Oxford Martin School, and as Deputy Director of EMod. He was member of the Bank of England’s Procyclicality Working Group whose report was published in July.

**Invited talks**


June 2014: discussant, Bundesbank, DFG and IMF workshop on ‘Credit frictions and default in macroeconomics’.


Sept. 2014: ‘Housing, credit and the macro-economy’ (with Valerie Chauvin, John Duca, Felix Geiger and Manuel Rupprecht) and ‘Prices, inflation and pass-through’ (with Janine Aron) EMod conference, INET@Oxford).
‘When is a housing market overheated enough to threaten stability?’ at the NIESR/ESRC conference at the Bank of England, on ‘The future of housing finance’.

‘Differences in household saving rates: the role of credit market architecture and institutions’, at a workshop on Inequality, Debt and Demand at Kingston University.

Other research projects:

Explaining US house prices (with John Duca and Anthony Murphy, Dallas Federal Reserve).
Forecasting mortgage repossessions and arrears (with Janine Aron) for DCLG.

Modeling and forecasting inflation, evaluating the role of mobile money in Uganda (with Janine Aron and Rachel Sebudde, World Bank) for the Gates Foundation.

Publications


‘Economic fundamentals and Eurozone sovereign spreads: will the good news continue?’, Economic Outlook, 38(2), 26-36, April 2014.


‘Six 2014 budget announcements to make Britain’s recovery more durable’, 14 March 2014.
Andreas Murr (Research Fellow) I joined Nuffield in January. Since then I have been working on revisions of two papers already submitted for publication. The first paper presents a simple but successful method of predicting U.S. presidential elections. Most citizens correctly forecast which candidate will win the state they live in. Allocating the state’s electoral votes to the candidate who most citizens say will win correctly predicts 8 out of 9 presidential elections.

Since January I have been presenting this paper at the MPSA conference in Chicago in April, at the 2014 Election Studies conference at the Center for Advanced Studies at the LMU Munich in June, and in a seminar at the Catholic University of Uruguay in Montevideo in July. The paper will be part of a special issue on forecasting U.S. presidential elections in the International Journal of Forecasting, edited by Drew Linzer and Mike Lewis-Beck.

The second paper (with Jeff Gill and Richard Traunmueller) uses a new statistical tool to address an old problem. The paper applies a specialised Bayesian method that helps to deal with the methodological challenge of unobserved heterogeneity. The application results in better model fit, smaller standard errors on average, and less bias from omitted variables. The paper is currently under review at an academic journal.

Besides revising two submitted papers, I have been working on another paper for submission to an academic journal. The paper proposes a new forecasting model for the 2015 British General Election. The model forecasts based on the popularity of the main party leaders as shown in the party leadership elections. Accordingly, the model predicts David Cameron to win more votes than Ed Miliband in 2015. Relying on the results of party leadership elections allows the so-called Party Leadership Model to predict with four years in advance, on average. A paper describing the model and its
forecasts will be submitted to Research & Politics before the upcoming election.

**Bent Nielsen** (Professorial Fellow) He continued to work with MD Martínez Miranda and JP Nielsen on cohort methods used in non-life insurance and in mortality studies. He worked on an R package to estimate age-period-cohort models and on applications to mesothelioma mortality. Some of the work in the past years has been done in collaboration with the insurer RSA Group. A description of this work was submitted as an impact case study in the recent Research Excellence Framework exercise.

He also worked with S Johansen on describing the statistical properties of algorithms for detecting outliers in data. The algorithms include the Forward Search and the Impulse Indicator Saturation.

The algorithms involve cut-off values to decide whether observations are outliers. These cut-off values can be calibrated by fixing the gauge of the algorithm, that is the expected number of detected outliers when in fact there are none. The most recent work has been concerned with establishing an asymptotic theory for the gauge.

He was a coorganiser of the econometrics seminar held in college. He also organised a workshop in college on outlier detection algorithms.

He is member of the Institute for Economic Modelling at the Oxford Martin School.

He presented papers at seminars in Galway, Geneve, Madrid, Paris. He gave the SJS lectures at the Nordstat meeting in Turku.

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**Olga Onuch** (Research Fellow) I have been an active member of the Nuffield community now for 7 years; first as a DPhil, Alumn, then a
Research Fellow. This, my final year as a Newton Prize Fellow (in Comparative Politics) at Nuffield College, was a highly eventful year and would like to share some highlights with you.

In the last year I have continued my comparative research of political behavior and social mobilization in EE and LA, was the convener of three weekly seminars (the Politics and Sociology Post-doctoral Seminar, the Oxford Social Mobilization Seminar and the Oxford Qualitative and Field world Based Research Methods Seminar), ran two conferences on Comparative Protest Politics and continued to act as the Politics Group Working Paper Series editor and the Co-editor-in-chief of the new peer-reviewed Journal of Ukrainian Politics and Society.

Alas, as soon as the EuroMaidan commenced on 21 November 2013, I jumped on the opportunity and began conducting a large data collection endeavor, as part the Ukrainian Protest Project. On 26 November 2013 I launched the only multi-week on-site social survey of the protest participants in Kyiv. Along with a hand-selected team of 20 graduate students, we collected unique data on protester motivations, views and preferences. The survey ran until 10 January 2014. The initial findings were featured in the Washington Post in the Monkey Cage blog.

From November 2013 onwards I was actively engaged with the unfolding crisis, advising policy makers and making several appearances in the media discussing my research (BBC, Chanel 4, ITV, SkyNews, Radio Free Europe, Hromadske.TV, Al Jazeera, AFP, among others).

In December 2013, fellow Nuffielder Sorana Toma and I were awarded a John Fell Fund Grant to study the relationship between protest and migration. Our project will analyze Romanian and Ukrainian protest movements, and investigating the political preferences, motivations and behaviour of migrants living in the EU.

In January 2014, I visited Harvard University (HURI) as a Shklar Research Fellow, were I was based until July of this year. This was also a high productive and fruitful time. During this period I completed three articles (which are already published or are
forthcoming), I continued my engagement and consulting work with US and UK policy makers, and most importantly, I completed the final edits of my book *Mapping Mass Mobilizations*.

In May, my colleagues Prof. Henry Hale (P-I, George Washington University), Prof. Timothy Colton (Co-I, Harvard University) and Dr. Nadiya Kravets (Co-I, Harvard University) and I, have been awarded a large NFS Grant to conduct a multi-wave Electoral Panel Survey in Ukraine.

In June I was awarded a Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship for exceptional and promising young scholars. And lastly, I have been recently invited to join the Open Society Foundation coordinated, Strategic Advisory Group, tasked with advising the President and Government of Ukraine.

While I will continue to hold an Associate Membership in Politics at Nuffield College until September 2017, this fall I will be joining the University of Manchester as a Senior Lecturer in Politics.

*Publications*


*Newspaper articles, policy briefs and reviews*
‘What does Ukraine’s #Euromaidan teach us about protest?’. Washington Post. (February 27, 2014).


David Pettinicchio (Research Fellow) This last academic year, I completed two related manuscripts which are part of a broader ongoing project (soon to be a new monograph) about disability and inequality with co-author, Michelle Maroto (University of Alberta). The first manuscript (forthcoming in Law and Policy) analyzes Current Population Survey data from 1988 through 2012 matched with state-level predictors and national political-institutional characteristics. Our results show continual gaps in employment and earnings by disability status connected to the enactment of state-level antidiscrimination legislation, the number of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) charges brought to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the results of ADA court settlements and decisions. Our findings suggest a complex relationship between legislative intent and policy outcomes, showcasing the multilayered institutional aspects behind the implementation of disability antidiscrimination legislation. In this paper, we sought to shed light on why it is that employment and
earnings outcomes have declined or remained stagnant despite twenty-five years of disability rights legislation in the US.

The second manuscript was recently accepted for publication in Research in Social Stratification and Mobility. In this paper, we focus on labor market contexts, especially the so-called “occupational ghettoization” occurring among disabled employees. Using 2011 American Community Survey data for working-age adults, we examine the representation of persons with different types of disabilities across occupations and industries. We find that people with disabilities tend to work in lower-skilled jobs with limited educational and experience requirements. However, these disparities also vary by the nature of a person’s disability, which perpetuates inequality by disability status. Although supply-side, human capital variables play a role in shaping earnings, we find that these broader, structural factors and occupational characteristics strongly influence the economic wellbeing of people with disabilities.

In addition to these projects, I continue to develop my book on America’s disability rights revolution, as well as other projects and papers revolving around on policy, nationalism, immigrant integration and collective action. In June 2014, I completed my data collection of disability nonprofit organizations in the UK (1965-2012), which was funded by a John Fell Small Research Grant.

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(with Maroto, Michelle) Forthcoming. ‘Disability, Structural Inequality, and Work: The Influence of Occupational Segregation on
Earnings for People with Different Disabilities’, in Research in Social Stratification and Mobility.

**Wojtek Przepiorka** (Research Fellow) The last year was my fourth and final year as post-doctoral research fellow at Nuffield College and the Department of Sociology. As from August 1, I am taking up an assistant professor position at the ICS and the Department of Sociology at Utrecht University. In Utrecht, I will continue the research projects I have started here. In particular, I will further pursue my projects on reputation formation and herding in online auction markets (with Ozan Aksoy, Nuffield CESS), on strategic information exchange and trust (with Diego Gambetta, EUI), and on social norm enforcement as a signal of trustworthiness (with Ulf Liebe, University of Bern). In Utrecht, I will also embark on a new research project in collaboration with Vincent Buskens and Charlotte Rutten (both Utrecht University). Our project aims at investigating the emergence of informal social hierarchies in small groups and identifying the conditions under which hierarchical social structures promote cooperation and under which they promote wasteful competition and conflict. Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to thank Ray Duch and Diego Gambetta for their mentoring and supporting me so generously throughout my time at Nuffield College.

So long, and thanks for all the fish.

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**Jeremy Richardson** (Emeritus Fellow) The past year has been another rather quiet year academically due to my new ‘career’ in the building trade. I juggle my time between co-editing the *Journal of European Public Policy*, with Berthold Rittberger (Nuffield D.Phil. student 1999-2002 and Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow 2003-6), editing books and co-managing a small building company here in NZ. Less time is now spent defining the dependent and independent variables and more hours spent addressing profound research questions such as whether it would be financially beneficial to carpet the triple garage in our speculative house build. Sadly, Molly has now abandoned her netball career, thus depriving me of the opportunity to offer netball referees the benefit of my considerable knowledge of the rules and vastly superior eyesight. Tess, meanwhile has also become somewhat wiser and now confines her sporting activities (currently Lacrosse) to Auckland, some hundreds of miles away from home. Not that life has become entirely bereft of parental duties, as both Tess and Molly have been learning to drive. Thus, ‘driving instructor’ can now be added to my ever-expanding CV (on one or two occasions, ‘driving instructor, deceased’ seemed quite likely!).

During the year work was completed on the fourth edition of my textbook on the EU, *European Union. Power and policy-making*, this time co-edited with another former Nuffield D.Phil. student, Sonia
Mazey (1979-1983), now Professor and Pro-Vice Chancellor at the University of Canterbury, NZ. The book is due to appear late 2014 or early 2015. Together with Sonia, I recently started work on planning two, new volumes. The first will continue our work on the EU public policy. However, the second will enable us to return to the study of comparative politics, a field of study in which we were both heavily influenced by two inspirational former Oxford colleagues and friends, Dr Vincent Wright and Dr David Goldey, both of whom are now sadly deceased.

Jane Roberts (Research Officer) continued to offer a Data Support Service for social scientists in the University, providing assistance with data acquisition, licensing, management and analysis, and maintaining the collection of data resources. She manages the University’s contracts with Eurostat for their harmonized datasets (ECHP, EU-SILC, EU-LFS), which are well used by researchers.

With a view to forthcoming retirement, responsibilities are gradually being transferred to a new Bodleian Data Library, whose librarian will provide a similar service.

She maintained close links with researchers and data providers outside Oxford, remaining an active member of the International Association for Social Science Information Service and Technology, a network of data producers, managers, curators and analysts worldwide. She has served on the Administrative Committee as the elected Regional Member for Europe.

Kevin Roberts (Professorial Fellow) I continue to be interested in issues connected with the process of trading, particularly when there are frictions to trade. I have pursued an interest in the categorization of alternative trading mechanisms in terms of different aspects of efficiency. My work on how to assess economic policies when the extent of redistribution is endogenous continues and this work has thrown some light on the structure of adverse selection principal agent problems.
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**Anna Ross** (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow) My longstanding interest in the aftermath of the 1848 Revolutions has been central to my research activity this year. For the most part, I have been revising my doctoral dissertation for publication as a monograph, tentatively titled, *Forging Reconstruction: Society and Politics in Germany, 1848-1866*. The book represents the first attempt to trace the changes to political culture that continued to occur after the Revolution, despite the wave of counter-revolutions and reactions that gripped Europe in this period. One of the basic tenets of the work that may be of interest to other Nuffielders is the new emphasis on social statistics in policy-making, lobbying and discussions of post-revolutionary life in the press. In connection to this work, I also completed a publication for the 3-year project ‘1848 as a Turning Point in Political Thought’ run by Gareth Stedman Jones at the Centre for History and Economics (University of Cambridge).

Beyond the monograph, I have looked to develop my interest in the politics of urban space. I have begun to research Spanish case studies to complement my focus on the German states and broaden my areas of expertise. This will also ultimately involve looking at the movement of Spanish and German planners and planning ideas beyond Europe. This summer, I wrote an article that examines how people conceived of and contested the extension of cities in Germany and Spain after 1848. The cases of Berlin and Barcelona are particularly interesting due to the specific creation of local statistics to guide debates about the city. I have just received funding from the KE Seed Fund (£3000) to organise a conference for 2015 titled, ‘Negotiating Change in Urban Spaces from the Middle Ages to the Present’. This event will bring together a range of academics and professionals, and I intend to present the first papers from my post-doctoral project there.
Finally as a side project, I have written a book chapter on the ways in which historians can use photographs to understand the tensions between local and global political identities in urban social movements in the twentieth century. This will be published in the work *The Ethics of Seeing: 20th century German Documentary Photography Reconsidered*, edited by Prof. Paul Betts (University of Oxford), Prof. Jennifer Evans (Carleton University) and Prof. Stefan-Ludwig Hoffmann (UCLA, Berkeley).

**David Rueda** (Professorial Fellow) I have continued to work on two main research themes: the determinants of redistribution preferences and the politics of the welfare state during times of crisis.

*Professional activities*
This year I have continued to be one of the editors of the *Socio-Economic Review* and a member of the Editorial Board of *Political Science Research and Methods*. I have also continued to be an Affiliated Member at the Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies (University of Amsterdam), and a Research Associate at the Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (University of Warwick). I was also a member of the Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellowship Committee at Nuffield.

I have presented on-going work at several conferences: APSA in Washington DC, SASE in Chicago, and the International Conference of Europeanists in Washington DC. And I gave invited talks at: University of Konstanz, University of Lund, University of Tampere, London School of Economics, Central European University, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, University of British Columbia, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Yale University.

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**Gwendolyn Sasse** (Professorial Fellow) My research this year has focused on my new three-year project on ‘Political Remittances: Understanding the Political Impact of Migration’ which is funded by the Leverhulme Trust. Social and political remittances – the views, norms and patterns of behaviour transmitted by migrants to their families and friends ‘back home’ – are increasingly recognised as an important factor shaping perceptions and behaviour in the countries of origin, but they remain conceptually and empirically underexplored. My project approaches the topic from different angles and uses a range of methodological tools.

First, I continue to utilise the two migrant voter surveys (i.e. of migrants voting in their homeland elections) I conducted in 2010 (one survey covers Polish migrant voters in the UK; the other includes Ukrainian migrant voters across 15 countries) to study migrant political behaviour. One key finding is the congruence between political identities (esp. regional identities) expressed electorally by migrant voters and homeland electorates. This finding cautions us against the popular claim that migrants are ‘agents of change’ who revise their own views and preferences and those of their families and friends. Moreover, the surveys allow for a more detailed analysis of the determinants of migrants’ political engagement with the homeland. Time spent in migration and the integration into migrant networks are shown to be significant predictors of homeland engagement overall. Contrary to previous research, demographic factors, socio-economic differences, the geographical origin in the home country, the practice of sending economic remittances, the frequency of contact with family and friends in the homeland, and the world region the host
country is located in have limited or no explanatory power.

Second, I have begun to analyse a corpus of several thousand private letters sent by German migrants in the US to their families and friends (18th – 20th century). Textual analysis and discourse network analysis will allow for a more systematic overview of the impressions and perceptions transmitted by migrants than the existing historical analysis of individual letters and families.

Third, I am in the process of compiling a comprehensive dataset on the parliamentarians, ministers and presidents in Central and Eastern Europe since 1989 who have a diaspora/migration background. The aim is to establish patterns across the region and to then trace the actual political impact of these politicians through more detailed qualitative case studies.

In addition to my academic research, I have commented extensively in the British and international media on the political events in Ukraine since November 2013 (e.g. BBC, NPR, Al Jazeera, Financial Times, Washington Post). I have also written a series of analyses of the situation in Ukraine for leading think tanks (e.g. ‘Carnegie Endowment’ and ‘New America Foundation’). Carnegie has just made me a nonresident Senior Associate.

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Maria Sironi (Research Fellow) In the past year, I have worked on a number of papers: on the changing meaning of cohabitation; the role of parental social class in the transition to adulthood; poverty persistency among young adults; institutional transition, happiness and fertility in Europe; consequences of age at leaving the parental home in the United States. Three papers are currently under review for sociological and demographic journals. I have also applied for and
received the John Fell Research Fund (May 2014 – April 2015) to support a research project on the effect of different fertility trajectories on health outcomes later in life, using a cross-national comparative perspective.

I delivered tutorials on Demography and Population to Human Sciences and PPE undergraduates in Hilary and Trinity Terms, and taught Event History Analysis to MSc and MPhil students in Politics in Trinity Term. In addition I have supervised two MSc students in Sociology.

I have actively engaged with the Nuffield scholarly community. In Hilary Term, I presented and discussed my work on institutional transition, happiness and fertility at the Nuffield Post-Doc Seminar Series. I started co-authored papers with other Nuffield Postdoctoral Fellows. In particular, I am working on a paper on the relationship between time use and mental health among adolescents in the United Kingdom together with Dr. Evrim Altintas, and on a paper on the effects of ethno-nationalism in Quebec together with Dr. David Pettinicchio.

I presented my work at the British Society for Population Studies Conference (September 2013, Swansea); Population Association of America Conference (May 2014, Boston); European Population Conference (June 2014, Budapest). I was an invited speaker at the SWELLFER (Subjective Well-being and fertility) Workshop (Turin, 24-25 September 2013), and at the Vienna Institute of Demography Colloquium (Vienna, 12 December 2013).

**Tom Snijders** (Professorial Fellow) works on statistical methods in the social sciences, with two main specialties: social network analysis and multilevel analysis (random coefficient models). Social network analysis is the study of relations in groups of individuals but also groups of firms, etc. A typical difficulty is that ties between different individuals can be highly interdependent, and the satisfactory representation of this kind of dependence is the main issue in this type of statistical modelling. Computer simulation methods and Markov chain Monte Carlo procedures are used for this purpose. This work
has three main strands. One is the development of statistical procedures. Work is continuing on extending the models for a wider range of data structures: methods for multivariate, bipartite, and valued networks with ordered categories now have been developed and implemented; the focus of current work is on the analysis of network dynamics in multiple small groups, which is a combination of network analysis and multilevel analysis. The second strand is the implementation of these statistical methods in the computer package R\textit{Si}ena in the statistical software system R, and the support of its use by documentation and workshops. This research is done in collaboration with Johan Koskinen (University of Manchester, Associate Member of Nuffield College), Christian Steglich (University of Groningen), Alessandro Lomi (University of Lugano), Emmanuel Lazega (Sciences Po, Paris) and various others, and several DPhil students. Collaboration about applications is partly channeled in the international research project \textit{Social Influence in Dynamic Networks}, a European Collaborative Research Project (ECRP 10-044) of the European Science Foundation. This collaborative project met in November 2013 in Barcelona and in April 2014 in Budapest. It unites researchers of the universities of Ljubljana, Oxford, Turku, Lugano (University of Italian Switzerland), Groningen, Örebro, Barcelona (Autonomous University), Budapest (Academy of Sciences), Konstanz, and of Sciences Po. Several Oxford DPhil students participate.

Tom is Information Systems Fellow of the College, and together with Bernie Hogan (Associate Member) organizes the \textit{Nuffield/OII seminar on Social Network Analysis}, which runs weekly during terms, and serves as a focus for collaboration in Nuffield, but also with researchers elsewhere, on topics generally related to social network analysis.

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(with John M. Light, Julie C. Rusby and Kimberley M. Nies) ‘Antisocial behavior trajectories and social victimization within and


**Richard Spady** (Senior Research Fellow) This year saw the publication of *The American Political Landscape*, co-authored with Byron Shafer (Political Science, University of Wisconsin, Madison). We conceived of this book long ago when we were both resident fellows in Nuffield. It uses methods founded in semiparametric econometrics to analyze the social determinants of two dimensions (‘economics’ and ‘culture’) of political attitudes and their impact on voting behavior in U.S. presidential elections from 1984-2008. The data are taken from a series of 12 Pew Foundation surveys of about 1-4 thousand voting-age adults. Our intention was to produce a book with a close match of methodology to problem area that was accessible to a wider public including political professionals. So it’s a Nuffield book in a lot of ways: conceived in the College, interdisciplinary, with methodological elements but primarily empirical, and aimed at bringing social science to bear on public problems in a way that expands and improves the audience for social science. Judging from sales figures and anecdote, it’s to this point a miserable failure on that last count. Byron and I console ourselves that we are playing the ‘long game’.

Perseverance (or stubbornness) has led me to follow along the same lines in starting a follow-on project that aims to track the evolution of political attitudes and voting behaviour by birth cohorts
(1920-1990, annually) and social characteristics from 1984 to the present time. Alongside that there is a web site that allows users interactive access to the underlying data and corresponding analysis for user-defined social groups. (Drop me a email for a preview.)

In theoretical econometrics I’m pursuing a line of research with Sami Stouli (University of Bristol) that we call ‘Dual Regression’. It provides a drop-in replacement for quantile regression and also constructive identification methods for structural models. We presented some of this work last November at a special workshop on semiparametric econometrics at Essex, and our working papers are deposited on ArXiv.

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Armin Steinbach (Gwilym Gibbon Fellow). Earlier this year, I left my adviser position with Frank-Walter Steinmeier (German Minister of Foreign Affairs) to focus on research, medical education and the World Cup. I concluded my work on economic policy coordination in Europe where I looked at the development of coordination in the euro area before and during the crisis by adopting an institutional economics perspective. I explore the incentives for policymakers that result from coordination mechanisms in the fields of fiscal, monetary and wage policy.

Other recent developments in European and International law that drew my attention are the French ban of the burqa in the public sphere. My argument is that the ban is incompatible with the European Convention of Human Rights. Also, the European Central Bank’s monetary policy during the crisis has been in my focus – the European Court of Justice is going to rule on the compatibility with EU law.
Then, the World Cup came – and Germany won. After weeks of celebration, I focused on my non-profit project – WorldMedSchool. The goal is to improve medical education in developing countries through online lecturing. With the support of a number of Oxford medical professors, I set up a platform.

Finally, I have been appointed a senior research fellowship at the Max-Planck-Institute for research on collective goods in Bonn as from the end of this year. This will allow me to pursue a Habilitation for Constitutional, European and International Law.

Publications:

‘Economic policy coordination in the euro area’, (Routledge), 2014.


**Henning Tamm** (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow) I spent most of my first year at Nuffield working on a project called ‘Together or Apart: The Cohesion and Fragmentation of Congolese Rebel Groups
in Comparative Perspective’. Thanks to a grant from the John Fell OUP Research Fund, I was able to travel to the DRC, Rwanda, and Uganda, where I conducted interviews with former Congolese rebel officials, as well as with Rwandan and Ugandan political and military elites, who in the past supported some of the rebel groups. These research trips also helped me fill several empirical gaps that remained from my dissertation work on the Congo Wars (1996–2003). Against this background, I will soon complete two standalone papers and start turning my dissertation into a book manuscript. Another paper, based on my doctoral research, is currently under ‘revise and resubmit’; it explains why many African weak state rulers establish alliances with rebel groups from neighboring countries.

This year, I also began working with Prof. Harvey Whitehouse, who directs a five-year research program on ‘Ritual, Community, and Conflict’ based at Oxford’s Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology, and Ben Johannes, a doctoral student building a dataset on non-state armed groups for this program. As a region coordinator, I am in charge of data collection on sub-Saharan Africa. The aim of the dataset, which focuses on armed groups that were or remained active after the end of the Cold War, is to study organizational characteristics and practices, as well as their relation to particular resource extraction problems.

Over the course of the academic year, I presented some of my research at an international workshop in Kampala, as well as at the International Studies Association and European Political Science Association annual conferences in Toronto and Edinburgh. Last but not least, together with Patrycja Stys, a doctoral candidate in Politics at Nuffield, I convened the Oxford Central Africa Forum (OCAF), which I co-founded back in 2010. Sixteen of our twenty-one seminars and lectures took place at Nuffield, with generous support from the College.

**Selma Telalagic** (Research Fellow) Following the direction of my PhD thesis, which I completed at the University of Cambridge, I have spent my first year at Nuffield working on households in Malawi. In
particular, I have focused on the impact of land rights in Malawi on spouses’ behaviour, making use of the fact that Malawi has a rather interesting system of land rights. Some villages follow matrilineal descent, where women inherit land, while others follow patrilineal descent, where men inherit land. I show that households with matrilineal descent have higher consumption than households with patrilineal descent – and that this is not explained by differences in geography, employment opportunities, household composition or other relevant characteristics. Instead, I show that matrilineal husbands spend less time on agriculture and more time on wage work than patrilineal husbands: this is because they own less land, so that they prefer not to invest in it. This turns out to be beneficial for the household, since wage work generates more income than agricultural work. These results are in my working paper ‘Kinship and Consumption: The Impact of Spouses’ Outside Options on Household Productivity’. This year, I presented this paper at seminars at KU Leuven, the Institute for Fiscal Studies, the Centre for the Study of African Economics in Oxford and the RES Annual Meeting in Manchester. Other work in progress relating to Malawi includes a paper that models and tests moral hazard in marriage in Malawi (showing that wives use domestic work as an incentive device to encourage men to generate consumption), as well as new work with co-authors at KU Leuven on the marriage market in Malawi. In addition, I been invited to attend the Lindau Nobel Laureate meetings in economics in August of this year.

I have also initiated a new postdoctoral seminar series in economics, which has been held at Nuffield College in Trinity term. This aims to give postdocs in economics at Oxford (across all colleges) a chance to present their work in an informal and friendly setting. The response to this seminar series has been overwhelmingly positive, with presenters receiving useful feedback on their work. This seminar series will continue running in the next academic year and will hopefully become as well-established as similar seminar series running at Nuffield College in politics and sociology.
Sorana Toma (Research Fellow) Over the past academic year, I have finished seven papers, mostly based on my DPhil work and on collaborations started afterwards, and submitted them to different journals. Three of the papers examine the role played by migrant social capital in the international mobility process, focusing on the case of Sub-Saharan African migration to Europe. I argue that migration research has generally assumed that migrant networks are always instrumental in international mobility, and has insufficiently studied the factors responsible for variations in their effects. This is the general objective I address in my three papers, which focus on how the role of networks varies according to the gender of the potential migrants, according to their context of origin or with the context of destination. The papers all received positive evaluations and I was invited to revise and resubmit them to top journals in my field, such as the *International Migration Review, Ethnic and Racial Studies* or the *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*. The other papers deal with the extent to which migration flows from Senegal and DR Congo have feminized over the past forty years; with the impact of international mobility on the economic outcomes of those left behind; with the drivers of onward mobility within Europe; and finally, with the labour market outcomes of second generation migrants. They have been conditionally accepted for publication in *Population, Cahiers Quebecois de Demographie* and *International Journal of Border and Migration Studies*.

Last year I have also finished the data collection for the new project I have been involved in at the *International Migration Institute* of the Queen Elizabeth House, which focuses on ‘Drivers and Dynamics of Highly Skilled Mobility’. Together with several colleagues at the centre, we examine in a cross-country comparative design, the role played by migration policies, alongside other factors, in attracting highly-skilled migrants. I have designed and implemented a large-scale online survey of Indian academics worldwide, based on a sample of published papers in the past four years, as well as interviewed a subsample of these. I am now working on two papers based on this
data which I will present at an international workshop on Highly Skilled Migration that I will be co-organizing at the end of October.

I have also managed to obtain funding for developing new research, on the dynamics between migration and protest in Eastern Europe. Together with Dr. Olga Onuch, Research Fellow at Nuffield College, we successfully applied for the John Fell Fund and were awarded a Small Grant for carrying out fieldwork in Romania, Ukraine and the United Kingdom.

Last, I was happy to be awarded an honourable mention by the IMISCOE Dissertation Award Jury for my DPhil thesis, ‘Ties that bind? Networks and gender in international migration: The case of Senegal’, supervised by Prof. Anthony Heath. The jury were highly appreciative of my work, and encouraged me to revise my thesis into a monograph and present it to the IMISCOE Editorial Committee for potential publication.

Publications


‘Auspices of migration and labour market participation. The case of Senegalese women moving to Europe’ in Di Giovanni, Elisabetta (Ed.) Facets of women’s migration. Cambridge Scholars Publisher. (forthcoming 2014)

‘Migrations masculines et activités économiques féminines’, Cahiers Québécois de Démographie. (forthcoming 2014)

Jesse Tomalty (Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow) Over the past year, I have continued my research on human rights and the normative dimensions of global poverty. I have completed three papers. In one, I address the question of whether the responsibility to assist those suffering from severe poverty is a matter of justice or of
humanity. This paper was presented at the Free University of Berlin, where I was a visiting research fellow in the spring, and it has been conditionally accepted to the *Journal of Applied Philosophy*. In the second paper, I elaborate on the criticism of the orthodox interpretation of socio-economic human rights that I have developed in previous work. This paper will be included in the *Oxford Handbook of Global Justice* (OUP, eds. Thom Brooks and Thomas Pogge). In the third paper, I reflect on the idea of human rights as a political ideal from the perspective of a future characterized by conditions of radical scarcity in which the human rights we are familiar with cannot feasibly be realized for all. This paper will appear in a special issue of *Philosophy and Public Issues* dedicated to discussions of Tim Mulgan’s *Ethics for a Broken World* (McGill-Queen’s University Press, 2011).

I have two further papers in preparation. In one, I discuss different approaches to theorizing about human rights, and in the other I provide an analysis of the relationship between rights and the justification for the use of coercive force. The former was presented at the University of Nottingham in February and at the annual conference of the Association for Legal and Social Philosophy. A version of the latter paper was presented at a symposium in honour of John Skorupski.

In June, I co-organized a workshop, which was held at Nuffield. The event brought together around 30 participants working on or interested in theorizing about the duties to create and support just institutions. I have started work on a paper on this topic which I hope to pursue further in the next year.

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Lorraine Waller (Research Fellow) Over the past year, I have continued to work with Erzsébet Bukodi and John Goldthorpe on two projects: 1) an ESRC funded project examining the role of education in intergenerational social class mobility in Britain; and, 2) a John Fell Fund comparative project investigating the importance of different components of social origins for educational outcomes. We are now preparing a number of papers from these projects. One paper on mobility trends, across four birth cohorts, in Britain has now been accepted for publication in the British Journal of Sociology, and I presented another paper on intra-generational social class mobility at the RC28 Spring Meeting in Budapest, May 2014.

In October 2013, I co-organised two one-day workshops held at Nuffield College. The first was a methodological workshop on the 2nd October, co-organised with Erzsébet Bukodi and Colin Mills, and entitled ‘Interpreting parameters in non-linear probability models: Statistical considerations and sociological implications’. The second was a meeting on the 25th October for our John Fell Fund project, bringing together researchers from the British, German, Italian and Swedish teams. I have also continued to work on publishing papers from my PhD thesis on fertility and family formation amongst foreign-born groups in the UK, and wrote a blog post on current understanding of Polish fertility in the UK at openpop.org: http://www.openpop.org/?p=761.

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Ansgar Walther (Research Fellow) My research, which continues the theme of my PhD dissertation, concerns the economic theory of banking and bank regulation. Following the crisis of 2008, many new financial regulations have been proposed. Since they are new, no data reflecting their performance exists and empirical evaluation is difficult.
In this context, clear economic theory is valuable, and I am trying to contribute to its development.

I spent my first few months at Nuffield revising two existing papers. ‘Jointly optimal regulation of bank capital and maturity structure’ was part of my PhD thesis and has now been resubmitted to the *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*. I show how regulations requiring bank *capital* should be coordinated with those requiring bank *liquidity*. The former protect banks from insolvency; the latter ensure that solvent banks can fund their operations without distress, even after bad news.

A related paper is ‘How do banks respond to increased funding uncertainty?’ (with Robert Ritz, Cambridge). We demonstrate that banks tend to cut back their lending when they perceive uncertainty about future funding sources, especially when they are highly dependent on wholesale markets. Monetary policy needs to respond aggressively to affect interest rates in an uncertain and distressed financial system. We have resubmitted this paper to the *Journal of Financial Intermediation*.

I have also embarked on new projects, collaborating with my colleagues at Oxford. Our working papers focus on banks’ incentives to invest in correlated assets and create systemic risk, the optimal design of risk weights in capital regulation, and the implications of limited information for financial policy.

Another highlight of my first year was organising the Nuffield Financial Policy Workshop in June 2014, together with Paul Klemperer and the Blavatnik School of Government (see page 52-56 of this report).

**Laurence Whitehead** (Senior Research Fellow) During this year my main academic priority was ‘rethinking democratization’, a personal project for OUP that revisits established models and assumptions in the light of twenty-first century developments. This is also linked to a second more collective initiative, co-ordinated through GIGA in Hamburg, on ‘anti-democracy promotion strategies’. It was in this
context that I spent a week at the American Center for Oriental research in Amman, Jordan in September 2013.

For the most part, however, my empirical focus continues to be on Latin America, and that will figure prominently in my next cycle of activities. But this year I only travelled to the region once- to San Salvador in April 2014, where I gave a paper on ‘close fought elections’ that addressed their own most recent experience. My other trips were all to Europe, and included participation in three major anniversary events. In September 2013 I delivered the annual Anglo-Norwegian lecture in Oslo, marking the fortieth anniversary of the Chilean coup. The following April I took part in the Gulbenkian Foundation commemoration of the ‘carnation revolution’ of 1974; and shortly after I was a keynote speaker when the Hamburg Senate celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of GIGA. I also continued my activities in Paris (the Institut des Ameriques) including writing the conclusion to their AFD volume on Latin American Development, and helping prepare their forthcoming conference on ‘area studies’ and the Americas. The IdA has recently joined up with GIGA, and both were active in the RedGob annual conference I helped to organize at LUISS in Rome in December. Finally, also in co-ordination with these other European network-building activities, I represented the IdA at the EULAC-backed academic forum in Bucharest in May.

Two college based activities of note were the first meeting of the British Network on Latin American Politics, which I convened in Nuffield in November 2013, and the ‘Mexican Energy’ event which I organized the following May. That lead to revival of my Mexico-focused activities, and the college will host a further two days on the politics of reform in Mexico in the coming October.

Finally, I continued my engagement with IPSA, attending the Montreal conference in July and contributing to the build up of its research committee 51, a new venture dealing with IPE and emerging market democracies. In particular I made a presentation on the influence of Weimar on Albert O Hirschman's intellectual odyssey.
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“Crisis’ in the Americas: Is there a Regionally Distinctive Kind?” in IdeAs Idees d“Ameriques” (the electronic review of the Institut des Ameriques) No 4, Automne 2013.


**Tim Willems** (Research Fellow) Inspired by recent events in Africa, I have spent quite some time trying to understand the behaviour of
dictators. This has led to two papers, both co-authored with Shaun Larcom and Mare Sarr. The first is motivated by the fact that the international community has recently increased its commitment to punish misbehaving dictators (as opposed to removing them through amnesty-abdication deals). In the paper we provide a theoretical analysis of this regime-change and point out that it launches some counterproductive forces.

The second paper is driven by the observation that there are many examples of dictators who were seemingly benevolent when they first came to power, but who derailed subsequently and ended up as vicious tyrants. The best example is probably Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe. In the paper we develop a learning-based theory that is able to explain such transformations, while simultaneously offering advice on how to prevent this from happening in the future.

Next to the aforementioned papers, I am starting several new projects. One project (together with Samuel Wills) tries to understand why resource-rich countries often peg their exchange rate (while standard theory suggests that a peg is particularly costly to such countries, as they face frequent external shocks). A different (empirical) paper-in-progress analyses the diffusion of new technologies by using data from professional speed-skaters (who were faced with a sudden revolution in their equipment during the 1990s). Finally, Transport for London granted Shaun Larcom, Ferdinand Rauch, and myself access to a dataset that contains all individual public-transport movements in the city of London around the most recent Tube-strike. Because of that disruption, many travellers were forced to experiment and find new routes. We wish to analyse whether such forced experimentation produces any effects beyond the duration of the strike. That is: did people switch back to their original routes after the strike was over, or did some of them stick to their new route? The answer to this question tells us something on the rationality of individuals, their inclination to experiment during "normal times", and their ability to find optimal paths in networks.

Publications
Student Publications

Pia Blossfeld

Noah Carl

Matthias Dilling

Max Goplerud


James Hollway

Feliz Krawatzek


Jonathan Lusthaus

‘Call me i$Hm@eL’, Pacific Standard, Nov/Dec 2013.

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