

SEED Bulletin February 2018

Welcome to the February 2018 edition of the SEED Bulletin

Head of School Message

There are many advantages to working at a large university such as Manchester not least the opportunity to interact with a wide range of talented colleagues. In the school our engagements with the institutes are clear evidence of these advantages. However, we can't pretend that the scale of our institution does not also bring challenges.



In SEED we pride ourselves on our collegiality but true collegiality means not only looking out for our colleagues but also feeling that we have an investment in, and a voice within the institution. Here, the size of Manchester becomes a problem. In a large school like SEED it can feel like there are less opportunities for voices to be heard than in smaller units. I think this is particularly the case for early career staff. So this month I would like to highlight a couple of actions the school is taking to begin to address this. Firstly each month we will invite two ECR colleagues (on a rotation) to each meeting of SPRC to provide some opportunity to contribute to and to understand current issues at school level. Secondly I will meet monthly with small groups of ECR staff from across the school to hear from them about how they think the school is doing and to provide an opportunity to provide an opportunity to meet colleagues beyond departmental boundaries. These are small steps but I hope that they will be useful and that if you receive an invitation to one of these events that you will think about responding positively.

Our commitment to collegiality will also be essential over the next few weeks as the UCU strike action takes place. I am sure that we all hope that common sense will prevail and that a compromise will be reached, but the possibility of prolonged strike action is real. There was strong support for this action in the UCU ballot and the right to take strike action is a mark of a free society and a principle that I am sure we would all support. However we must recognise that not all of our colleagues are union members and so it is vital that over the next few weeks we draw on our combined collegial resources to respect all staff whatever choices they make.

I would also like to ask all staff to extend that respect to our students to. It is inevitable that students will be impacted by the action, but I hope that we can all take responsibility for informing students of likely impacts and ensuring that their inconvenience is minimised.

Wednesday is Valentine's day and the school is celebrating with a visit from Nancy and a school board...Hope to see you there.

Staff Visits, Activities and News

Staff	Date	Activity
Bina Agarwal	Dec 2017	<p>Publications</p> <p>“Environmental sustainability and gender equality: The perils of ignoring the synergies”, in Environmental Scientist, Sept. 2017, open access</p> <p>“Does Group Farming Empower Rural Women: The Indian Experience”, Discussion Paper No 20, UN Women, New York</p> <p>Events</p> <p>Received the International Balzan Prize 2017 at a Ceremony held in the Swiss Parliament, Bern, in the presence of the Swiss President, 17, November 2017</p> <p>Received the Louis Malassis Prize at a ceremony in Milan, 4 December 2017</p> <p>Delivered a public Lecture “Smallholder farming: Can we reshape the future?” European microfinance platform and BRS Microfinance cooperative, 6 Nov. 2017</p> <p>Delivered the Prof. Saroja Devi Memorial Lecture, IIPA, Delhi, 11 Dec 2017</p> <p>“Education as a Tool for Creating Opportunities and Jobs for Women”, Bonjour India, 9 Dec 2017</p> <p>Spoke on a panel on Research and Innovation, at the BCFN 8th International Forum on Food & Nutrition, Milan 4-5 December 2017</p>
Stefan Bouzarovski	Dec 2017	<p>Grandin J, Haarstad H, Kjærås K, Bouzarovski S (2017) <u>The politics of rapid urban transformation</u>. <i>Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability</i>.</p> <p>Thomson H, Bouzarovski S (2017) Europe’s energy geographies. In Solomon BD, Calvert K (editors) <i>Handbook on the Geographies of Energy</i>. Cheltenham: Elgar; 265-279.</p>
Antonio Savoia	Dec 2017	Presented at the OECD on “Poverty reduction during 1990-2013: did MDGs adoption and state capacity matter?”.
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Nicola Banks	Dec 2017	Featured in <u>The Conversation</u> on aid scepticism.
Diana Mitlin	Dec 2017	Published online: Using climate finance to advance climate justice: the politics and practice of channelling resources to the local level, in the journal <u>Climate Policy</u> .
Tanja Müller	Dec 2017	Launch of the <u>Journal of Humanitarian Affairs</u> - a new open access

Kunal Sen	Dec 2017	journal from the HCRI, of which Dr Müller is editor. <u>The Decline in the Labour Force Participation of Rural Women in India: Taking a Long-Run View</u> published in the Indian Journal of Economics.
Nicola Banks	Jan 2018	In January, Nicola Banks contributed to an expert panel on “the future of UK public engagement with cause led organisations” at Save the Children International's London headquarters. This was attended by diverse NGOs and streamed online to Save the Children staff globally. Nicola Banks published an article on 'Aid scepticism isn't damaging donations to international challenges - but it might in future' (19th Dec 2017)
Armanda Barrientos	Jan 2018	Armando Barrientos, Professor of Poverty and Social Justice, participated at a Workshop on Universal Basic Income at the University of Leeds organised by the Centre for Employment Relations, on the 26th January 2018 he also visited the University of Antwerp 15-17 January, engaged in research meetings and lectured at the PhD Programme on Social Policy offered by a consortium of European Universities.
Isabelle Doucet	Jan 2018	Isabelle Doucet (SEED, Architecture) organised, together with Janina Gosseye (Queensland University) the 2-day symposium "Activism at Home: Architects' own Houses as Sites of Resistance", 15-16 January 2018, Manchester. The event welcomed 20 international speakers from Australia, Brazil, Chile, Europe, Taiwan, and the United States, and 2 keynote talks by Prof. Hilde Heynen (Leuven University) and Sarah Wigglesworth (Sarah Wigglesworth Architects). The programme can be found here: https://aestheticsofresistance.com/activism-at-home/
Albena Yaneva	Jan 2018	Albena Yaneva, Professor of Architectural Theory delivered a keynote lecture at the Politecnico di Milano, Italy, Milan International Architectural Workshop, 15 January 2018. She also served as a Judge for the 2017 RIBA President's Medals in the Silver Medal category, RIBA London
Oliver Bakewell	Jan 2018	Co-editor of a new book: <u>'Forging African Communities Mobility, Integration and Belonging'</u> . Dr Bakewell joined the Global Development Institute in January as a Senior Lecturer in Migration Studies. His work focuses on the intersections between migration and mobility and processes of development and change, with a focus on migration within Africa.
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Tom Gillespie	Jan 2018	Published <u>Austerity urbanism and Olympic counter-legacies: Gendering, defending and expanding the urban commons in East London</u>
Daniele	Jan 2018	Alumni who now works for the German development agency

Malerba		published <u>The heterogeneous effects of conditional cash transfers across geographical clusters: do energy factors matter?</u>
Aminu Mamman	Jan 2018	Paper on 'SME policy formulation and implementation in Africa: Unpacking assumptions as opportunity for research direction' has been accepted for publication in the three star Journal of Business Research.
Admos Chimhowu	Jan 2018	Met with the World Bank to present on the New National Planning research project, which has ten country case studies and summaries of 130 NPs – documented at http://www.nationalplanning.org/index.php/en/home . A <u>video</u> is also available.
Ping Gao	Jan 2018	<u>Understanding organisational responses to regulative pressures in information security management: The case of a Chinese hospital</u> , published in Technological Forecasting and Social Change
Lindsay Sawyer	Jan 2018	Honorary Fellow has had the outcomes of a five year comparative research project published. 'Schmid, Christian, Ozan Karaman, Naomi C. Hanakata, Pascal Kallenberger, Anne Kockelkorn, Lindsay Sawyer, Monika Streule, and Kit Ping Wong. 2018. 'Towards a New Vocabulary of Urbanisation Processes: A Comparative Approach'. <i>Urban Studies</i> 55 (1):19–52. https://doi.org/10.1177/0042098017739750 .
Gabriela Zapata Román, Virgi Sari and Alejandra S. Ortiz Garcia	Jan 2018	PhD candidates Gabriela Zapata Román, Virgi Sari presented papers and Alejandra S. Ortiz Garcia a poster on their research in inequality and mobility, at the Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory, organised by The Economics department of the University of Verona.
Kunal Sen, David Hulme, Admos Chimhowu	Jan 2018	As part of the New National Planning research project Kunal Sen, David Hulme, Admos Chimhowu and Julia Brunt were in Ottawa, and met with GDI alumnus Lauchlan Munro and Sam Maimbo as well as representatives from the International Development Research Centre and Global Affairs Canada, who will be taking advantage of the research project's insights on effective national planning processes.
Antonio Savoia	Jan 2018	Delivered a talk at <u>L'Université Paris 13: "Is there a fiscal resource curse? Resource rents, fiscal capacity and political institutions"</u> .
Antonio Savoia	Jan 2018	Attended the Global Policy Network meeting: Global Policy Institute, University of Durham.
Katherine Hall	Feb 2018	The Studying African Farmer-led Irrigation Project (SAFI) are hosting a meeting of irrigation researchers and policy makers at the Rockefeller Foundation's Bellagio Center, Italy, from 6 – 10 February 2018. This is titled, 'Irrigating Africa – Reframing Agricultural Investment.' This conference will include 19 participants from Africa, Europe and North America, who will discuss the drivers and impacts of farmer-led irrigation development, and policy responses across sub-Saharan Africa. The project, led by Philip Woodhouse, will be producing a policy brief identifying key irrigation interventions and initiatives for African policy-makers and planners and international development agencies as an output of this meeting. The team will also be working on a book and a special issue of a journal after the convening has ended.
Bazoumana Ouattara	Feb 2018	Bazoumana Ouattara was one of the authors of <u>Decomposing the Macroeconomic Effects of Natural Disasters: A National Income Accounting Perspective</u> in Ecological Economics.
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Pablo Yanguas	Feb 2018	Speaker at "The paradox of aid: lessons from Afghanistan", an event at ODI on the challenges faced by development and state-building assistance in fragile states. -15 February is the release date for his upcoming book: Why We Lie About Aid: Development and the Messy Politics of Change.

School News and Notices

Transfer Training

The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team are running workshops to raise awareness and understanding of people identifying as Trans ('Transfer – A Journey'). The training is now available on the Staff Learning Catalogue via this [link](#).

SEED Research Support Staff Changes

We have had some staff changes in the SEED Research Support Team. Please find below an updated list of contact details:

Research Support Managers:

- Charlotte Jackson
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- Patricia Gorham (MIE only)
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Research Support Officers:

- Melanie Canham: **Research Support Officer**
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- Joanna Jozefiak: **Research Support Officer**
Email: joanna.jozefiak@manchester.ac.uk Ext: 54694
- Louise Murphy: **Research Support Officer**
Email: louise.murphy@manchester.ac.uk Ext: 50811

Knowledge Exchange and Impact Officer:

- From 1st February - Anne-Marie Martindale as Carly will be on maternity leave. Email: anne-marie.martindale@manchester.ac.uk

Grant Writer:

We are currently recruiting to the Grant Writer post. We are hoping to have a new Grant Writer in post around the end of February 2018.

Teaching, Learning and Students

Call for Speakers - SEED Teaching Matters Sessions March 2018

We still seek speakers for the SEED Teaching Matters sessions from March onwards. Speakers on all teaching-related topics are welcome: previously we have had sessions on using games in teaching, mindfulness, voice care, the Asian student experience, SMS technology in the classroom and more. If you would like to run a session, or know anyone who does (we can pay travel expenses for external speakers) please contact Drew Whitworth on drew.whitworth@manchester.ac.uk.

New staff members

January

- Aurora Fredriksen, Lecturer in Human Geography
- Sara Jackson, Lecturer in Science (Teach First)
- Rowena Harding, GDI Communications officer
- Martin Kay, Project Research Technician

February

- Neil Simcock, Lecturer in Human Geography
- Seth Schindler, Senior Lecturer in Urban Development
- Danielle Marie Alderson, Research Associate – Geography

GDI Professor to become Director of the United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research

Professor Kunal Sen is to become the next Director of the United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research ([UNU-WIDER](#)), from 2018.

UNU-WIDER is a global leader in development economics research. The Institute — the first research centre of the United Nations University — began operations more than 30 years ago in Helsinki, Finland. Today it is a unique blend of think tank and research institute, operating within the United Nations system as a constituent institute of UNU and providing a range of services from policy advice to freely available original research. It focuses on transformation, inclusion, and sustainability, including the cross-cutting concerns of Africa, gender, and development finance to promote sustainable and equitable development.



Library Update

The Library has just launched 3 new online tutorials:

[Search operators: Refine AND combine OR NOT?](#) This resource will introduce students to the use of search operators in subject databases to enable them to retrieve more accurate and relevant results.



[Mindset: Change your approach to learning](#) Introduction to different approaches to learning.



More information on [online resources](#) and [workshops](#) on [My Learning Essentials](#) website

[MRE: Research data explained](#) Explains what research data is, how it is defined, and how it differs from other types of information.

More information on [My Research Essentials](#) on the Library website

Commission for Racial Equality publications online



The Ahmed Iqbal Ullah Race Relations Resource Centre (AIURRRC) has made a (virtually) complete set of publications by the [Commission for Racial Equality](#) (CRE) available via the Library's [Digital Collections](#) website. This unique and significant collection of 541 pamphlets, reports and guidelines published by the CRE across its lifespan, from 1976 to 2007, comprehensively charts the changing debates, policy and practice of race relations in the UK during this time. You can browse the [Ahmed Iqbal Ullah Race Relations collection](#) on the Digital Collections website

eLearning Update

Jonny Crook & Helen Perkins

SEED Learning Technologists | Humanities eLearning Team

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1. Support for start of Semester 2 2017-18

The SEED Standard Course Structure template is recommended and available to use when activating all Semester 2 courses. [Use this step-by-step guide](#).

If you are yet to activate your Semester 2 courses, we invite you to use the new [SEED Standard Course Structure](#) when activating your courses (as we recommended for Semester 1). This will ensure you use the updated and refreshed template full of useful links and materials for you and your students. Included are materials around Study Skills, Employability, Learning Resources, Lecture Recordings and a link to the student intranet amongst others. You can still easily copy your teaching materials from previous years' courses into the Standard Course Structure.

If you need support, please email us on elearning-seed@manchester.ac.uk

2. TurningPoint Mobile – Software Upgrade

TurningPoint Mobile available from January 2018

From January 2018 a new version of TurningPoint/Responseware is available for Humanities staff. More info [here](#).



3. Teaching Online Workshop Series 2017-18

A series of workshops are available to attend throughout Semester 2, covering a range of topics to share online teaching experiences and case studies. The sessions are delivered by academic staff from across the Faculty. To sign-up, [follow this link](#).



Humanities Teaching Online Workshop Series

2017-18

Theme	Time and Venue
Developing Your Use of Online Discussion Boards Drew Whitworth & Gary Motteram, SEED	6th December 2017, 12-1pm Ellen Wilkinson A3.6
Using Video for Assessment in Large Cohorts : Group Video Projects Samuel Llano, SALC	23rd January 2018, 11am-12pm Sam Alex A214
Online Quizzes for Formative Assessment Becki Bennett , LAW	6th February 2018 11am-12.30pm Williamson 3.59
Engaging students online: what we've learnt using Twitter Facebook, Piazza, and Bb Discussion Boards Dan Rigby, SOSS & tbc	6th March 2018, 1-2.30pm Arthur Lewis G.019
In class Interaction with TurningPoint Mobile Huw Morgan & Hamza Badenjiki, AMBS	25th April 2018, 10.30am-12 Williamson 3.59
Online Quizzes for Summative Assessment Huw Morgan & Hamza Badenjiki, AMBS	23rd May 2018, 2- 3.30pm Mansfield Cooper 2.01

4. Durham Blackboard Users' Conference

Jonny Crook (SEED) and Andrew Gold (AMBS) presented a paper at this year's Durham Blackboard Users' Conference entitled: **Blackboard: Experiences using a Standard Course Structure for Course Design**

The presentation covered the development, promotion and implementation of using Standard Course Structures across the Schools in the Faculty.

The presentation slides can be viewed here: <https://www.slideshare.net/JonnyCrook/blackboard-experiences-using-a-standard-course-structure-for-course-design>

Events

**VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR
ACCOMPANIED BY: PROFESSOR CLIVE AGNEW,
PROFESSOR LUKE GEORGHIOU**

Wednesday 14 February 2018

10.30 - 11.00 students

11.00 - 11.30 staff



Venue:

Room 1.69/70, Humanities Bridgeford Street Building

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| 10.00 – 10.30am | Meeting with the School Leadership Team |
| 10.30 – 11.00am | Open Meeting with Students (undergraduate and postgraduate) |
| 11.00 – 11.30am | Open Meeting with Staff to include Opening Address by the President and Vice-Chancellor followed by Q&A session |

SEED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday 14 February 2018

12 noon - Lunch

12.30pm – Board meeting

Venue: Room 6.207, University Place

EMPLOYING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: RISKS OF NON-COMPLIANCE, PROCESS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Date and Location: Thursday 01/03/2018, 10:00 - 11:30, Roscoe Building, 5th Floor

Course description:

A Faculty of Humanities HR briefing session for line managers and colleagues covering associated responsibilities for Schools who employ students on Tier 4 visas. The course is aimed at Academic and Professional Support Staff in the Faculty of Humanities, including all Heads of Division / Department, anyone who allocates work to Teaching Assistants and any member of PSS within the Faculty whose role involves dealing with arrangements for casual, Teaching Assistants and other types of contracts for Tier 4 visa holders.

Please click on the link here to register: <https://app.manchester.ac.uk/TRS04x>

To submit an article or information to the SEED Bulletin, please email seedschooloffice@manchester.ac.uk