



Doctoral Programme in Clinical Psychology

STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

Professor Niall Broomfield
(1.0 fte)

Programme Director / Head of Department

Professor Broomfield is Head of the Department of Clinical Psychology and Psychological Therapy at UEA and Programme Director for the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology. Between 2014 and 2018 he was an external programme and thesis examiner for the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at UEA, making a highly valued contribution to all elements of the Programme during this period. He was appointed into the lead role at UEA in December 2018.

He holds a PhD in Psychology, and a Practitioner Doctorate in Clinical Psychology. He is a member of the BPS Divisions of Neuropsychology and Clinical Psychology, an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society (BPS), a registered Practitioner Psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council UK and a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.

He has a longstanding interest in and track record of quality clinical research in the field of Stroke Psychology. In 2012 he was the first Consultant Clinical Psychologist to be awarded the prestigious NHS Research Scotland (NRS) Career Grade Clinical Fellowship and he is currently a NRS Senior Clinical Fellow. In 2017 he was elected as National Lead for Stroke Psychology in Scotland representing the profession of Clinical Psychology on the National Advisory Committee, which coordinates implementation of the Stroke Improvement Plan with the Scottish government. He has delivered large scale translational clinical research in stroke psychology and has published widely in his field of expertise. He has a sustained record of high quality contribution to taught student provision and has previously held academic posts on the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (ClinPsyD) at University of Glasgow. Currently, in recognition of his excellence in stroke research and education work, he is an Honorary Clinical Associate Professor at University of Glasgow Medical School.

Professor Siân Coker
(1.0 fte)

Deputy Head of Department / Lead for International Developments

Professor Sian Coker is Deputy Head of the Department of Clinical Psychology and Psychological Therapy at UEA and a member of the Graduate School Executive. Professor Coker is the Lead for International Developments within Clinical Psychology. She leads the National subgroup of Group of Trainers in Clinical Psychology (GTiCP) for Internationally Recruited Students. She is a Practitioner Psychologist Registered with Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC). She is a very experienced clinical academic as a founder course member of the UEA ClinPsyD Programme. She retains an active research interest in the field of Eating Disorders and related psychological health problems.

Siân qualified as a clinical psychologist in 1987 and was awarded her DPhil from York University in the same year. Following qualification she has worked in university and clinical psychology departments in York and Cambridge. In Cambridge she was a Senior Research Associate in the Department of Psychiatry and responsible for

several clinical trials pioneering new methods of psychological treatment for Eating Disorders which are referenced in NICE guidelines. Following the successful completion of her DPhil Training at the University of York, she was awarded the Isaac Newton Fellowship at Trinity College, University of Cambridge. During her Fellowship at Cambridge she completed a series of studies with mothers with eating disorders and post-natal depression, examining the impact on infant wellbeing. Her research and clinical interests continue to lie in the field of eating disorders, and mothers and children and she has been involved in a number of collaborative projects investigating perfectionism and eating disorder psychopathology.

Dr Peter Beazley
(0.8 fte)

Deputy Programme Director / Senior Clinical Tutor

Dr Peter Beazley qualified as a Clinical Psychologist in 2009. He completed his clinical training at the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London, after obtaining his undergraduate degree from Oxford University. In addition he has an LLM in Mental Health Law from the University of Northumbria. Peter developed an interest in working with offenders with mental health problems whilst completing his clinical training.

Prior to joining UEA in September 2016, Peter was Head of Secure Services Inpatient Psychology, and Consultant Clinical Psychologist, at South Essex Partnership NHS Trust. This encompassed a service management role for psychology provision in all secure services within the trust, including a large low/medium secure unit in South Essex and two low secure units in Luton and Bedfordshire. As a Clinician working within this service, Peter gained experience in the assessment and treatment of offenders with mental health problems, including experience in using CBT for Psychosis on an individual basis within this population.

Peter has experience in providing reports and giving evidence in courts in both criminal and civil cases. In particular Peter has experience in completing assessments of risk for clients with complex histories of mental health difficulty and offending behaviours. Particular interests include assessments of clinical presentations of psychosis and personality disorder, as well as assessments of response style and factitious presentations (e.g. malingering). Peter has undergone specialist training in the application of a number of different clinical measures (including the International Personality Disorder Examination (IPDE), Psychopathy Checklist-Revised (PCL-R)), as well as structured assessments of risk (e.g. the HCR-20 for general violence and RSVP for sexual violence).

Dr Gillian Bowden
(0.5 fte)

Clinical Lecturer

Dr Gillian Bowden trained as a clinical psychologist with South East Thames Regional Health Authority (now the Salomons course at CCCU). She worked in adult mental health and primary care NHS settings in South East London for several years before moving to Norfolk in 1998 where she became a Consultant Clinical Psychologist with Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Trust.

Gillian is interested in coproduced approaches to service delivery which engage with people in the context of their communities. She is also interested in wellbeing at work and how people manage demanding aspects of work and which factors they find rewarding or protective against stress.

Aside from her NHS Trust work, Gillian was a Clinical Governance Reviewer with the Commission for Health Improvement (CHI) and a Reviewer with the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA). She was the Adult Mental Health Lead for the Division of Clinical Psychology (DCP/BPS) from 2010 until 2013 and subsequently chair of the East of England branch of the DCP. Gillian is currently a council member for the East of

England Clinical Senate. Gillian was awarded an MBE for services to mental health in Norfolk in 2009.

Dr Paul Fisher
(0.6 fte)

Clinical Lecturer / Qualitative Methods and Practice Tutor

Dr. Paul Fisher works as a clinical lecturer on the Programme and is also Director of the Low Intensity Psychological Well Being Practitioner (PWP) post graduate diploma within the department. Paul has extensive prior experience as a clinical psychologist specialising in working with brain injury populations. Paul has an on-going interest in qualitative research focusing on professional issues including reflective practice and the use of mindfulness during clinical training.

Paul is an experienced clinical psychologist who relocated to East Anglia having previously spent a period of time working in Singapore at James Cook University, as a Lecturer in Clinical Psychology. Prior to this he worked for two years as a clinical psychologist with Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust after graduating from the University of Plymouth (Bristol) Clinical Psychology Programme.

Paul is an advisor for Trainees. His other key roles include teaching, supervising Trainee research, marking coursework and contributing to the Internationalisation of the ClinPsyD.

Dr. Fisher is currently seconded to become Programme Director for the IAPT PWP Programme within the Department of Clinical Psychology and Psychological Therapy.

Dr Catherine Ford
(1.0 fte)

Clinical Lecturer / Academic Tutor

Dr Catherine Ford is a Clinical Lecturer and Clinical Tutor for the ClinPsyD programme. She studied psychology within Social and Political Sciences at the University of Cambridge and Oxford Brookes University before working in mental health and functional neuroimaging research at the Institute of Psychiatry and volunteering with the Stroke Association. She then obtained a PhD in Cognitive Neuroscience at the University of Cambridge and held the Pinsent-Darwin Research Fellowship in Mental Pathology, focusing on acquired language impairments and the structure and function of the language system in the brain. During clinical training her thesis research concerned illness perceptions of stroke and their associations with early post-stroke depression and anxiety and she undertook specialist placements in front-temporal dementia and community neuro-rehabilitation.

Since qualifying as a Clinical Psychologist she has worked in adult neuropsychological rehabilitation within community neuro-rehabilitation in West Norfolk, the Oliver Zangwill Centre in Ely and community stroke psychology within community neuro-rehabilitation teams across Cambridgeshire. In 2011 she was invited to work as part of an innovative, cross-agency partnership project which provided specialist community-based clinical psychology for adult stroke survivors across Cambridgeshire, a service subsequently adopted by the NHS. Her involvement in quality improvement and innovation within stroke led her to receive a NHS Trust Chairman's annual award for innovation in 2013, a quality improvement fellowship with Health Education England in 2014 and an advanced quality improvement fellowship with Health Education England in 2015. She also completed her post-graduate diploma in Clinical Neuropsychology at the University of Bristol in 2015 and a post-graduate certificate in work-based learning.

Catherine's research and clinical interests include: the contribution that clinical psychologists can make to quality improvement in healthcare, CBT and systemic interventions for people with neurological conditions, developing psychological interventions that are accessible for people with acquired communication disorders,

managing difficulties with chronic pain or apathy in long term conditions and community-based approaches to supporting people with neurological conditions.

Dr Fergus Gracey
(1.0 fte)

Senior Clinical Lecturer / Senior Research Tutor

Dr Fergus Gracey joined the department as a Senior Research Fellow seconded from his post as Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist in Cambridgeshire Community Services (NHS) Trust in 2014, and is now a Senior Clinical Lecturer with particular responsibility for research on the programme. He is also lead for the Neuropsychology module. Fergus trained in clinical psychology at UEA 1997-2000, completed his post graduate diploma in CBT at the Oxford Cognitive Therapy Centre in 2004, and is on the Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists of the BPS.

Fergus was formerly the clinical lead for the Cambridge Centre for Paediatric Neuropsychological Rehabilitation, and lead psychologist at the Oliver Zangwill Centre. Clinical and research interests are in neuropsychological rehabilitation, specifically community rehabilitation service design, self-regulation/executive functioning, identity, emotional adjustment and psychological therapy following brain injury. He has published a number of papers and book chapters on these topics. Methodological interests span quantitative and qualitative methods, feasibility studies and single case design. Current grants relate to the use of transcutaneous vagal nerve stimulation for aggression in acquired and developmental neurological conditions, and application of 'asset-based community development' approaches following stroke.

Fergus holds honorary positions as a Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist with the Cambridge Centre for Paediatric Neuropsychological Rehabilitation, the NIHR CLAHRC East of England, is a member of the Board of Associate Editors of Neuropsychological Rehabilitation, member of the Board of Trustees for Headway Cambridgeshire and is a Clinical Associate at the MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit, Cambridge.

Dr Jo Hodgekins
(0.6 fte)

Senior Clinical Lecturer / PGR Director / Senior Research Tutor

Dr. Jo Hodgekins completed her Clinical Psychology training at UEA in September 2012. Prior to this she worked as a Research Associate at UEA on two clinical trials of psychological interventions for people with psychosis and as Research Coordinator for Norfolk Early Intervention Service. Jo completed a PhD in 2009 examining factors associated with social recovery following early psychosis. This remains her specialist area of interest, focusing in particular on the development of outcome measures to assess functional recovery from psychosis and severe mental illness.

Jo is also interested in examining psychological processes underlying positive and negative psychotic phenomena (for example, the use of visual illusions to assess processes underlying hallucinations and anomalous experiences). Clinically, Jo is currently working as a therapist on two randomised controlled trials of social recovery focused CBT (SRCBT) in individuals at-risk of long term social disability both before and after the onset of psychosis.

Dr Adrian Leddy
(0.2 fte)

Clinical Tutor

Dr Adrian Leddy qualified from the Clinical Psychology Doctorate course at UEA in 2008. He has worked as a Clinical Psychologist in the Older Adults service in Waveney and Great Yarmouth for the past five years. Adrian has a specialist interest in the application of clinical neuropsychology in dementia. He has completed an MSc

in Clinical Neuropsychology from the University of Nottingham in 2012. Further to this, Adrian also has a particular interest in CAT and completed a Diploma in CAT in 2013.

Adrian joined UEA as a Clinical Tutor in March 2013 and continues to practice as a clinician in local Older Adults Services, having taken a role with NNUH in 2018. Adrian's key roles on the Programme are being an advisor and providing research supervision, together with supporting teaching on the programme.

**Ms Kiki Mastroyannopoulou Senior Clinical Lecturer / Joint EMHP Programme
(0.6fte) Lead**

Ms Kiki Mastroyannopoulou qualified as a Clinical Psychologist in 1993 from the South East Thames Training course. Since then she has worked in Bath in a split post (adult and child) which involved establishing an in-patient pain-management course, as well as research on a DH project working with children with life-threatening illness. She then worked in Huntingdon in a multidisciplinary family consultation centre conducting generic and paediatric work on the children's ward and in Kings Lynn in a paediatric post. Her research interests are in health psychology, mainly in the area of paediatric illness. She has worked in a clinical/research post at Addenbrooke's Hospital with children with Disorders of Sex Development. She now works in the paediatric oncology department at NNUH.

Kiki leads and coordinates the child and systemic teaching on the programme. Kiki is also joint interim programme director of the Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) training course at UEA.

**Dr Richard Meiser-Stedman Professor of Clinical Psychology
(0.4 fte)**

Dr Richard Meiser-Stedman has studied PTSD in children and teenagers since 2000. He studied for his PhD at the Institute of Psychiatry, where he was funded by a Medical Research Council (MRC) research studentship. He was awarded a Peggy Pollak Research Fellowship in Developmental Psychiatry to undertake further postdoctoral research into childhood PTSD, with a particular focus on PTSD in young and preschool children. He completed his clinical psychology training at the Institute of Psychiatry.

From 2009 to 2014 Dr Meiser-Stedman was an MRC Clinician Scientist Fellow at the MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit in Cambridge. While there he led the ASPECTS study, looking at whether PTSD in children and adolescents can be successfully treated using cognitive therapy in the early aftermath of a trauma. He was also awarded an MRC Centenary Award Grant to conduct a pilot trial looking at the treatment of PTSD following multiple traumas in children and adolescents. He is a co-investigator on the PYCES trial (the treatment of PTSD in preschool children) and the PROTECT study (looking at how families shape children's responses to trauma).

Dr Meiser-Stedman joined University of East Anglia in October 2014. He is now an NIHR Career Development Fellow, and is currently undertaking a randomised controlled trial of cognitive therapy for young people with PTSD following multiple trauma exposure (DECRYPT).

**Dr Laura Pass Clinical Lecturer / Research Tutor / Joint EMHP
(0.4 fte) Programme Lead**

Dr Laura Pass completed her Clinical Psychology training at UEA in 2013, following a PhD on the intergenerational transmission of anxiety at the University of Reading. Her clinical thesis was also in the same research area, focusing on how mothers prepare

their child for the transition to primary school. Laura's research and clinical interests are in child and adolescent mental health (including school/college based approaches), evidence-based low-intensity interventions, and more broadly increasing the accessibility and acceptability of effective psychological treatments for young people.

After qualifying Laura worked as a Research Clinical Psychologist at the University of Reading Anxiety and Depression in Young people (AnDY) research unit, focusing on adolescent depression clinical research. As part of this work, she co-developed a low intensity intervention for adolescent low mood, suitable for delivery by a range of professionals (Brief BA; Pass & Reynolds, 2014). Laura was research lead for a 3.5 year charity-funded feasibility study of Brief BA and other low intensity interventions delivered within the school setting, and has delivered Brief BA training nationally and across the world.

Laura joined the department part-time in November 2018 and became a full-time member of staff in October 2019. Laura's role on the Clinical Psychology programme is primarily to support the research training components of the doctorate, with a particular interest in supervising youth mental health and low intensity intervention research (especially in relation to adolescent depression). Laura is also joint interim programme director of the Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) training course at UEA and is keen to develop interdisciplinary research across the department, Medical School, wider University and beyond.

**Dr Imogen Rushworth
(0.6 fte)**

Senior Clinical Lecturer / Well Being Lead

Dr Imogen Rushworth, completed both her undergraduate degree in psychology and her PhD in functional medical disorders at the University of Sheffield. She then entered clinical psychology training, gaining her doctorate in 1998 from the University of East Anglia. Following qualification, Imogen worked in the Child and Adolescent mental health service and the inpatient adolescent eating disorders service in Cambridge before taking up a postdoctoral research clinical psychologist position in the Institute of Public Health at the University of Cambridge. Her role there was to develop and evaluate complex behavioural interventions to promote health behaviour change in chronic illness, working with Health Psychologists, Medical Professionals, General Practitioners and Statisticians.

Imogen's clinical and research interests are in the interface between the disciplines of health and clinical psychology and the application of models of behaviour change from clinical psychology to physical illness and health behaviours. She is also interested in the impact of nutritional factors on mental health status.

Amongst her other Clinical Tutor duties she also oversees the Personal and Professional Development support systems for Trainees. Imogen combines her Clinical Tutor role with her clinical work in Adult Mental Health, with a particular focus on physical health and illness presentations. Imogen's role also includes organisation of the OSCE assessments, and a role in reviewing compliance with accreditation standards in the department.

**Dr Bonnie Teague
(0.2fte)**

Senior Lecturer

Dr Bonnie Teague is the Research Manager for the Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust (NSFT). Her role requires strategic and operational leadership for all research operations across the organization, including management of a large multidisciplinary research team. In 2014, Bonnie led on the strategic development of a Research Development Programme, which aimed to build regional research capacity,

enhance the public profile of the Trust and its partners, and increase funding in mental health and dementia research.

Currently Bonnie supervises three trainees on their doctoral research and advises many more of our trainees on the application of ethics in clinical research.

**Dr Jon Wilson
(0.1fte)**

Clinical Senior Lecturer

Dr Jon Wilson is a consultant psychiatrist and consultant medical psychotherapist employed as a part time clinical senior lecturer by UEA. His role within the local mental health Trust (Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust) as Research Director allows him to support research into mental health issues from their outset and if necessary ensure that projects are approved and run smoothly. His particular clinical area of interest is youth mental health, early intervention in psychosis where he and the local services maintain a National profile.