

Dr. Mark Littler

Academic Qualifications:

- 2010-2014** **Ph.D. in Social Change**
University of Manchester
- Title:** The Rational Extremist: Reconciling, religion, attitudes to politics and support for violence
- 2009-2010** **M.St. in Applied Criminology**
University of Cambridge
- 2004-2007** **LL.B. in Law**
University College London (UCL)

Professional Qualifications:

- 2016-2017** **P.G.Cert. in Academic Practice**
University of Hull

Professional Memberships:

- 2017** **Fellow**
Higher Education Academy

Work Experience:

- 2017-
Present** **Senior Lecturer**
University of Huddersfield

I am currently employed as a Senior Lecturer in Criminology & Policing at the University of Huddersfield, where I teach modules on Criminal Investigation, Policing, Quantitative Research Methods, and Public Perceptions of Criminality on our undergraduate BA programme. I am also lead PhD supervisor for Kathy Kondor (working on far-right street violence in the UK and Hungary) and am involved in the supervision of several Masters by Research students.

I am also responsible for developing our new BA in Policing and Criminal Investigation, for which I will serve as course director from September 2018.

- 2015-2017** **Lecturer**
University of Hull

I was employed as a Lecturer in Criminology at the University of Hull, where I taught modules on Criminological Theory, Policing, Quantitative Research Methods, and Terrorism and coordinated the undergraduate dissertation modules on both our UK and Hong Kong programmes. I also served as lead PhD supervisor for two students based in Hull, as well as

several undergraduate dissertation students working on terrorism and policing.

Alongside this, I was admissions tutor for the Criminology portfolio, and served as partnership coordinator for our validation arrangement with the University Centre at Doncaster College.

2014-2015 **Post-Doctoral Research Scholar**
Blackfriars Hall, University of Oxford

I served as a Post-Doctoral Research Scholar attached to the Las Cass Institute, a research group that focusses on exploring the role of faith in contemporary society.

My work investigated the relationship between faith schooling and juvenile delinquency, analysing quantitative data from the British Cohort Study and qualitative interviews with parents, teachers, and former students at faith schools. The findings formed the basis of a CSPN impact paper published in 2016.

2014 **Research Associate**
University of Manchester

I was employed on an ESRC project exploring the use of film as a research dissemination tool. I was responsible for all day to day management of the project including data collection, events, stakeholder management and output editing.

External Appointments:

**2014-
Present** **Affiliate Researcher**
Centre for Fascist, Anti-Fascist and Post-Fascist Studies (CFAPS)

I hold an ongoing appointment at CFAPS, where I am involved in several long-term research projects using quantitative data to map and explore the policing and reporting of hate crime.

2014 – 2017 **Convenor**
Crime and Security Policy Network

I was elected in 2014 to serve a three-year term as Convenor of the Crime and Security Policy Network, a scholarly research network focussed on researching pressing policy issue in the field of crime and security.

2015-2017 **Managing Editor**
Journal of Political Criminology

I served as Managing Editor of an open access, peer reviewed journal on crime and criminal justice policy published by the University of Central Lancashire.

2011-2016 Associate Researcher
Demos

I served as an Associate Researcher at a leading London think-tank, co-authoring several books and policy reports on religion, terrorism and extremism.

2012 SCHMi Pre-Doctoral Visiting Fellow
Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

I held a Pre-Doctoral Visiting Fellowship under the umbrella of *Social Change: A Harvard-Manchester Initiative*. I worked with Prof. Pippa Norris on a number of my own research projects, including elements of my PhD.

Publications:

Books and Chapters

1. Littler, M., and Kondor, K. (2018) Terrorism, Hate Speech and the 'Cumulative Extremism' Hypothesis on Facebook, in Zempi, I., and Awan, I., *The Routledge Handbook: Key Readings in Islamophobia*, London: Routledge [Forthcoming]
2. Littler, M., and Lee, B., (2018) *The New Extremism: Readings in Violence, Radicalisation and Extremism in the Digital Space*, [Under Contract for delivery in October]
3. Birdwell, J., and Littler, M., *Faithful Citizens: Why those who do God, do good*, in Birdwell, J., and Timms, S. (2013) *The Faith Collection*, London: Demos
4. Bartlett, J., Birdwell, J., and Littler, M. (2011) *The New Face of Digital Populism*, London: Demos

Academic Papers

1. Littler, M. (Under Review) Teaching Terrorism in the era of PREVENT: Findings from a qualitative study
2. Littler, M. (Under Review) A Quantitative Study of Migrant Generation and Trust in the Police
3. Littler, M., and Feldman, M. (2017) Social Media and the Cordon Sanitaire: Populist politics, the online space, and a relationship that just isn't there, *Journal of Language and Politics*, Vol. 16, No. 4
4. Littler, M. (2017). Rethinking democracy and terrorism: a quantitative analysis of attitudes to democratic politics and support for terrorism in the UK. *Behavioural Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression*, Vol. 9, No. 1
5. O'Brien, M, and Littler, M. (2015) On Political Criminology, *Journal of Political Criminology*, Vol. 1, No. 1
6. Lee, B., and Littler, M. (2015) Viral advertising and new pathways to engagement with the British National Party, *Journal of Political Criminology*, Vol. 1, No. 1

Book Reviews

1. Littler, M. (2013) *Understanding Al Qaeda: Changing War and Global Politics* (Second Edition), *Journal of International Relations Research*, Vol. 1, No. 2

Academic Reports

1. Littler, M. (2017) Online Radicalisation, Risk and Terrorism in the Digital Space, Ankara, TR: SETA [Forthcoming]
2. Littler, M., and Feldman, M. (2015) Tell MAMA Reporting 2014/2015: Annual Monitoring, Cumulative Extremism, and Policy Implications, Teesside: Teesside University Press
3. Feldman, M., and Littler, M., (2014) Tell MAMA Reporting 2013/14: Anti-Muslim Overview, Analysis and 'Cumulative Extremism' , Teesside: Teesside University Press
4. Copsey, N., Dack, J., Littler, M., and Feldman, M. (2013) Anti-Muslim Hate Crime and the Far Right, Teesside: Teesside University Press

Policy Papers

1. Bartlett, J., Froio, C., Littler, M., and McDonnell, D. (2013) New Political Actors in Europe: Beppe Grillo and the M5S, London: Demos
2. Littler, M. and Birdwell, J. (2011) After Osama: What Londoners Think, London: Demos
3. Bartlett, J., and Littler, M. (2011) Inside the EDL: Populist Politics in a Digital Age, London: Demos

Conferences and Events:

1. August 2017 – 27th Krynica Economic Forum, The Union Divided: Quo Vadis, Europe?
2. May 2017 – University of Wolverhampton, Examining the Far Right in the Midlands, Extremism in the Midlands: Deprivation, Frustration, and the Collapse of Political Trust
3. May 2017 – Cabinet Office, Far Right Extremism Roundtable
4. May 2017 – DITSS, Trillion Congress, UK Testing
5. May 2017 – SETA, Contemporary Extremism Workshop, Extremism Online
6. October 2017 – University of Hull, ACPO Archive Conference, Policing Terrorism in the 21st Century: An Overview
7. September 2016 - University of Münster, European Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Speaking Truth to Power: A quantitative test of the PREVENT strategy
8. April 2016 - Public Policy Exchange, Dealing with Radical Extremism in Prisons, Radicalisation in Prison: Identification, Risk & Management
9. February 2016 - Home Office, Workshop on Measurement of Extremism
10. February 2016 - Home Office, Workshop on Social Harms of Extremism
11. September 2015 - Birmingham City University, Society for Terrorism Research Annual Conference, Who supports the Terrorists?: A quantitative critique of the idea of a 'terrorist profile' amongst British Muslims.

12. September 2015 - University of Kent, Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, Migration and Support for Terrorism: Exploring the survey data.
13. June 2015 - Teesside University, Tell MAMA 2014/2015 Report Launch Event, Cumulative Extremism and the State of Hate: Exploring the 2014/2015 Tell MAMA Data
14. June 2015 - University of Plymouth, British Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Migration and Attitudes to the Criminal Justice System: A Quantitative Exploration.
15. May 2015 - University of Manchester, ESRC Research Seminar Series on Right Wing Extremism in Contemporary Europe, Who are 'the men who will stand up and fight'? A digital profile of National Action
16. September 2014 - Charles University Prague, European Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Mapping the 'God gap': A quantitative exploration of the relationship between religion and trust in the criminal justice system
17. September 2014 - University of Leicester, Digital Populism and the Young: Populism, Young People, and the World Wide Web in Theory and Practice, 'Liking' Extremism: An exploratory map of right-wing populist support on social media
18. September 2014 - University of Leicester, Digital Populism and the Young: Populism, Young People, and the World Wide Web in Theory and Practice, Attitudes to politics, radicalisation, and the PREVENT counter-extremism agenda: Making a case for citizenship education
19. September 2014 - University of Leeds, Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, Radical, Religious, and (supporting the) Violent: A rational choice model of religious support for violence extremism
20. July 2014 - Teesside University, Tell MAMA 2013/2014 Report Launch, Quantitative considerations for the analysis of Tell MAMA data
21. September 2013 - Eötvös Loránd University, European Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Hellfire 2.0: A quantitative exploration of the relationship between religion, social control and juvenile delinquency in Britain
22. July 2013 - Teesside University, Fascist Ideologues: Past and Present, Using Tell MAMA: Quantitative elements of data exploration
23. April 2013 - Royal United Services Institute, Community Tension Workshop, Challenges for understanding Community Tensions: Linking Cause and Effect
24. October 2012 - University of Ulster, Political Studies Association of Ireland Annual Conference, Transferable Extremism: Sectarianism, populism, and the market for political violence in Northern Ireland
25. September 2012 - University of Coventry, Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, Pragmatic terrorism: A quantitative test of the role of political confidence on support for terrorism
26. September 2012 - University of Northampton, A Special Relationship of Hate: 50 Years of the Anglo-American Far-Right, People Like Us: Mapping the social media linkages between the European and American far-right

27. July 2012 - University of Portsmouth, British Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Islam, Democracy and Terrorism: Dispelling the myth of Islamic terrorist culture
28. June 2012 - Danish National Centre for Social Research, Seminar on Methods and Methodology in Researching Extremist Groups, Using Social Media Tools to Research the Populist Right: Methodological Notes and Experiences from a pan-European Quantitative Study
29. May 2012 - Central European University, The Radical Right and Europe Series, Quantifying the 'Populist Right': Findings from a quantitative study of the EDL
30. December 2011 - Luxembourg Institute for European and International Studies, The Rise of the Extreme Right and the Future of Liberal Democracy in Europe, Researching The New Face of Digital Populism: Tracing the rise of populism through online behaviours
31. December 2011 - University of Manchester Institute for Social Change, Brown-bag Seminar Series, Using Facebook to research 'hard to reach groups': Notes and experiences from studying the 'digital populists'

Grants and Income Generation

1. **2017 – SETA Foundation for Political Economic and Social Research**

Awarded £2,450 to support research administration and staffing costs for a report on right-wing populism online
2. **2016 - European Commission**
Horizon Twenty-Twenty (Trillion Project)

Awarded £8,500 to cover staffing costs for a testing programme using the Trillion platform
3. **2014 – Blackfriars Trust**

Awarded £5,000 to support data collection costs for a project on faith schooling and juvenile delinquency in the UK
4. **2012 – Bill Hill Trust**

Awarded £5,000 to cover data collection costs for a project on religious practice and delinquency in the UK
5. **2011 – The Joseph Rowntree Foundation**

Named co-investigator on a successful £10,000 grant application for a research project using social media data to profile the English Defence League
6. **2010 – Institute for Social Change**

Awarded £55,000 PhD scholarship, covering fees and a cost of living stipend for three years