

# LPS Newsletter

The School of Law, Politics and Sociology



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## Head of School Briefing

The academic year is drawing to a close. Exam boards are looming, as is graduation, and we can reflect back on the year's achievements as well as the challenges to come.

Perhaps the most significant change in the last nine months has been the number of new academic colleagues who have joined the School or will be joining soon. We have made appointments in all three departments and, when the process is complete, our total academic staffing complement will approach 80. A warm LPS welcome to the new arrivals.

We have also seen further significant increases in the number of overseas students applying to the School: a 27% rise in overseas undergraduate applications; a 28% rise in overseas PGT applications; and a 117% rise in overseas PGR applications. This is an encouraging development at a time of increased competition and uncertainty in higher education.

Next year, of course, we have the REF. We also hope that 2013-14 will see the completion of the refurbishment of the Freeman Centre and that we will be able to move into our new home.

My warm thanks to everybody in the School - whether academic or from professional services - who has worked so hard over the last year to ensure that the School continues to flourish and develop.

Professor Stephen Shute



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### Politics Berlin Trip March 2013

Week 9 of the Spring Term saw 25 undergraduates and 2 Sussex faculty members spend a week in Berlin.

The week began with a trip to Hohenschönhausen in East Berlin, the home of the East German secret police's (the 'Stasi') most (in)famous remand prison. The group also spoke to four MPs; Eva Högl (SPD), Daniel Volk (FDP), Jürgen Hardt (CDU) and Herrmann Ott (Greens). Between them they gave an entertaining take on both German-UK relations, as well as a wide variety of domestic issues.

Wednesday saw more talks with MPs, this time Dagmar Enkelmann (the chief whip of the Left Party) and Jan Mücke, a junior minister in the CDU/CSU-FDP government.

Alongside trips to the remnants of the Berlin Wall, the Holocaust Memorial and an entertaining hour with the UK's Deputy Ambassador, Andrew Noble, in the UK Embassy, the trip also ventured out of Berlin for the first time by taking in Leipzig. It is hard to understand the history of modern Germany without touching on the impact of the 'Monday Demonstrations' that swept through Leipzig in Autumn 1989. They, after all, were the straw that broke the camel's back and ultimately enabled the dictatorial GDR to be swept away.

It was not, of course, all work, work, work, and in the evenings everyone managed to find time to relax and enjoy some down-time. The group's very own version of Ant and Dec, Jake Flynn and Ben Halton, kept everyone entertained on the Wednesday night with the first ever 'Berlin Trip Quiz' which saw the 'Shrewsbabes' – emerge victorious.

**Prof. Dan Hough**



Leila Gonzalez, Hanna Miles and Caitlin Roper in the Holocaust Memorial



Sussex students with Juergen Hardt MP (far-right) in the German Bundestag

### Scholarships:

Three 2nd year politics students - Bethan Hunt, Hanna Miles and Rianna Gargiulo - have been awarded scholarships to attend the Renmin University of China Summer School in July 2013. Well done to them!

### Royal Courts of Justice visit

Sussex Law students visited the Royal Courts of Justice to participate in a senior moot competition open to law students from 2<sup>nd</sup> year up. Sir James Mumby, President of the Family Division, judged the competition.

The winner was Charlotte Anderson with Kathryn Lewis second. Sam Buckley and Matthew Eastman were runners up.

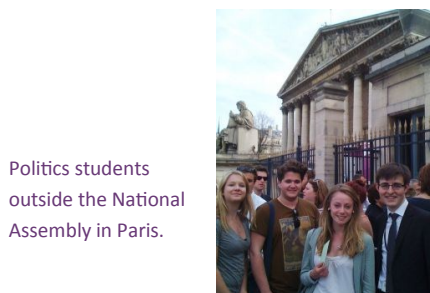
The event was kindly sponsored by DMH Stallard.



Sussex Law students with Sir James Mumby



The HQ of the French Communist Party, designed by the famous Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer



Politics students outside the National Assembly in Paris.

### Politics Paris Trip April 2013

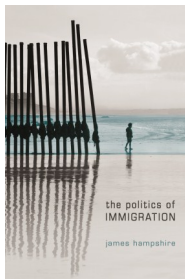
As part of their visit to the National Assembly in Paris, 16 Sussex students following second- and third-year courses on French politics attended the most controversial debate so far of the Hollande presidency, on the bill to approve same-sex marriage.

After many hours of debate in the parliamentary process, the bill had returned to the Assembly for the final reading and this was accompanied by massive street protests aiming to persuade the government that the legal majority should take account of 'popular legitimacy' and withdraw the bill.

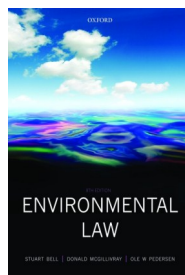
Another highlight of the four-day trip was a visit to the striking headquarters of the French Communist Party, designed by the famous Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer who, as a communist, did not charge a fee for his design. The building, which is testimony to the former power of the party in French politics, is now listed.

Other visits included: the Paris City Hall, the Shoah memorial museum, the Pompidou Centre at Beaubourg, and one of Mitterrand's architectural projects, the Great Arch at La Défense (the capital's high-rise business district). **Dr Susan Collard**

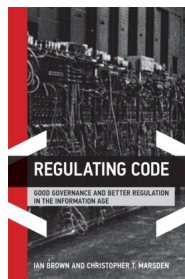
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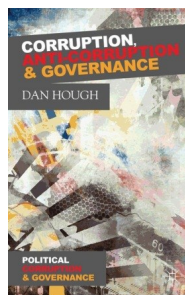
James Hampshire's new book 'The Politics of Immigration: Contradictions of the Liberal State' will be out on 6 Sept.



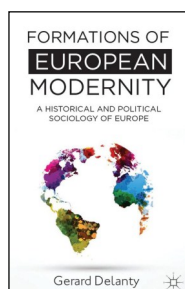
Donald McGillivray has recently had an eighth edition of Bell, McGillivray and Pedersen, *Environmental Law* (OUP) published.



Media Law Professor Chris Marsden launched his new book, *Regulating Code* (MIT Press), co-authored with computer scientist Ian Brown, Senior Research Fellow at Oxford.



Dan Hough has recently published 'Corruption, Anti-Corruption and Governance'.



Gerard Delanty's new book 'Formations of a European Modernity' will be published in July 2013.

### Events:

The Centre for Gender Studies will be holding its annual lecture and AGM on Friday 28th June 2013. Professor Barbara Einhorn will be giving the lecture, starting at 2pm. Afterwards there will be a chance for networking and further discussion. Venue: Mooting Room in Friston. All are welcome (you don't have to be a member of the Centre) - if you are interested in attending please email [a.e.phipps@sussex.ac.uk](mailto:a.e.phipps@sussex.ac.uk) to let us know.

The Sussex Centre for the Study of Corruption is organising a conference on the 29 May — The UK Bribery Act: Achievements, Challenges and Future Developments. This event analyses how the Act came in to being, what its impact has been and what needs to be done to make it more effective in the future. Venue: Jubilee Building Room 144. All are welcome, but pre-registration is vital - email Amanda Sims at [a.j.sims@sussex.ac.uk](mailto:a.j.sims@sussex.ac.uk) to reserve your place

### Research:

Professor Rupert Brown (Psychology) and Dr Mark Walters (Law) have recently been awarded a grant of £248k from the The Leverhulme Trust to investigate "The indirect experience of hate crime: the victim group response".

Dr Mark Walters has recently been awarded a small grant from the University's Research Theme Financial Support scheme. The money is being used to launch an interdisciplinary research network on hate crime. The Network's new website is still under development but can be found at: <http://www.internationalhatestudies.com/>

Helena Howe and Donald McGillivray, together with student involvement, have been successful in a bid for seedcorn funding from the Teaching and Learning Development Unit as part of its Education for Sustainable Development programme. The money will be used to host a workshop exploring options for outdoor learning at Sussex.

### Journals:

- ◆ Walters, Mark Austin (2013) Why the Rochdale Gang should have been sentenced as 'hate crime' offenders. *Criminal Law Review* (2). pp. 131-144.
- ◆ Paul Webb 'Who is willing to participate? Dissatisfied democrats, stealth democrats and populists in the UK', *European Journal of Political Research*, 2013.
- ◆ V Ní Dhrisceoil, "The Irish Language in Twenty-First-Century Ireland: Exploring Legislative and Policy Protections North and South" in J Ulin, H Edwards and S O'Brien (eds.) *Race and Immigration in the New Ireland* (Indiana, University of Notre Dame Press, 2013).
- ◆ On The Outside Looking In: Reflections on the Role of Inspection in Driving Up Quality in the Criminal Justice System, Stephen Shute, *The Modern Law Review* 2013 76 (3) MLR 49-528
- ◆ Michael G Kearney & John Reynolds 'Palestine and the politics of international criminal justice' in Schabas et al (eds) *The Ashgate Research Companion to International Criminal Law: Critical Perspectives* (Ashgate, 2013)
- ◆ Politics Undergraduate 2013 Journal Volume II: online at [www.sussex.ac.uk/lps/internal/departments/politics](http://www.sussex.ac.uk/lps/internal/departments/politics)

## LPS Finals Party: Results Day

Friday 14 June 12 noon

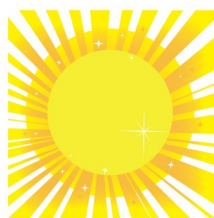
Join us for the beach themed BBQ party!

Friston will be transformed into a Caribbean beach shack!

BBQ, sparkling wine, strawberries and cream, punch and soft drinks will be provided.

Results published at 12 noon.

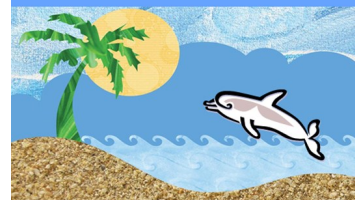
Individual course results will be available on Sussex Direct from 4pm.



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### Final Year Results Party 2013

Friday 14 June Friston Foyer  
Results published at 12 noon  
Join us for a BBQ Beach Party!



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Individual course results available via Sussex Direct after 4pm



Rachel and her band mates.

Fun things you may not know about your colleagues...

- ★ Rachel Farrell (HOSC) is a member of a Brazilian samba folk band named **Cozinha**: [www.facebook.com/pages/Cozinha/189183367821578?ref=hl](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cozinha/189183367821578?ref=hl)
- ★ Jane Lambert (Law Course -Coordinator) is an expert in orienteering who won the Kent Night Cup last year and this year won the British Night Orienteering Championships in Yorkshire – so is a **British Champion!** The event was held in a very dark, muddy and snow covered Yorkshire forest with courses of the same technicality as ones run in the daytime. Well done Jane!
- ★ Alison Phipps (Prof. of Sociology) is one third of the band **Wendy's Parade** who combine pop, indie, funk, soul and blues, all performed with their signature harmonies. [www.wendysparade.co.uk](http://www.wendysparade.co.uk)



Well done to Ben Fincham who recently completed the Eton Super Sprint Triathlon in aid of Marie Curie Care. Ben managed to complete the course in one piece only being narrowly beaten by Jenson Button!

There is still time to sponsor Ben. Visit his Just Giving page:

[www.justgiving.com/Ben-Fincham](http://www.justgiving.com/Ben-Fincham)

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**'Wedding Belles'**

Congratulations to :

Laura Arnold who married James on 30th March

Kim Brayson who married Jacob on 14th April

Louise Pizzey who marries Steve on 20th July

