Institution: Glyndŵr University



Unit of assessment: 4 - Psychology, Psychiatry and Neuroscience

a. Overview

Research theme and staffing

This submission includes staff from the Department of Psychology (*ap Siôn, S-A. Baker, Breslin, Corry, Graham, Kay, Lewis, Loewenthal, Richards, Robbins, Williams*), along with colleagues from the departments of Health Sciences (*Irvine*), and Applied Social Sciences (*Parry*). The inclusion of these areas has enhanced the applied focus of the research. The Psychology Research Centre (PRC) brings together applied research that uses psychological theory and methods with particular application to well-being. It encompasses three research clusters (**collaborate across clusters*): <u>Psychology of Religion</u> (*ap Siôn, Breslin*, Corry*, Kay, Lewis*, Loewenthal, Robbins*, Williams*); <u>Applied Health Psychology</u> (*S-A. Baker, Breslin*, Corry*, Irvine, Lewis*, Parry, Robbins**); <u>Sports Psychology</u> (*Graham, Lewis*, Richards*).

The Department of Psychology was established in 2009 with the appointment of *Lewis* as the inaugural chair. The PRC is one of five University Research Centres created by the University to support and enhance research activities. The PRC provides leadership, academic support, and promotes research excellence. It is a vehicle for the enhancement of research capacity, capability and environment, and oversees the research seminar programme which includes lectures from academic staff, PGR students, and speakers from other Universities.

b. Research strategy

Strategic aims: Psychology is a relatively new discipline in the University, and the principal aim is to a build up a centre of recognised international standing in the areas of the <u>Psychology of</u> <u>Religion</u>, <u>Health Psychology</u>, and <u>Sports Psychology</u>. The PRC is pivotal in delivering the research strategy and developing the research environment, which draws staff from across the University, honorary staff, visiting staff, and a growing number of research students. This is achieved by regular research meetings by the three research clusters, as well as regular updates on the PRC website (via Moodle). The visiting speakers programme is essential in advancing critical discussions (e.g., Professor Brown (De Montfort U.) on young people and well-being; Professor Joseph (U. of Nottingham) on post-traumatic growth). Within the initial 5 years of the development of the Department of Psychology and PRC there has been demonstrable growth. In particular, the <u>Psychology of Religion</u> cluster has assembled a critical mass of staff, honorary staff, visiting staff, and engagement with the community. The PRC aims to build on the achievements to date. The strategy over the next five years will be to develop further the national and international research across each of the three research areas.

There are three main short-term goals. i) develop less experienced staff to enable them to supervise research students through co-supervision. This will impact on the numbers of post-graduate students who can be recruited and appropriately supported. ii) work with staff who have a developing publication record, to facilitate their writing for high-impact peer review journals. iii) continue to run research study days to facilitate collaboration on funding applications , and to encourage researchers to engage with academic training and development workshops.

There are two main long-term goals. i) continued engagement with service users: e.g., the work of *ap Siôn* and *Kay* with church groups; *S-A. Baker* and *Lewis* with a Personality Disorders service users group ("Taith"); *Lewis* with a group of service users suffering from dementia (reminiscence therapy with Wrexham FC football context "Memories FC"). *Parry* working with local authorities and organisations concerned with homelessness); *Irvine* working with service user groups: e.g., studying factors that contribute to the levels of satisfaction with social care for physical disabilities among Chinese service users). Within <u>Sport Psychology</u> the research working with elite teams and practitioners in the area of developing decision making skills in elite sport.

ii) PRC has been successful in grant capture (see section D below). This early success will be built



on by completing the existing funded projects while also applying for new research income.

Key targets for development:

New staff: Future staffing will see the appointment of a professorial lead in Religious Experience supported by the Trustees of the **Alister Hardy Religious Experience Research Centre** (partly re-located to Glyndŵr University; first tranche of agreed funding 2014-2016).

Postgraduate Research Students: PGR numbers will be increased through progression from taught postgraduate programmes in particular (including MSc Psychology of Religion, MRes Psychology, MRes Sports and Exercise, DMin Religion and Education).

Grant income: Grant capture will build on previous funding (Knowledge Transfer Programme; the Templeton Fund; Alister Hardy Research Centre for Religious Experience).

Non returned staff: Researchers within the Psychology Research Centre will engage in mentoring roles to facilitate the development of research, increasing the number of research active staff from across the University to enable inclusion in the next REF. Honorary members of staff will be expected to mentor early career researchers as part of their contribution to the University through the implementation of a mentorship scheme.

National work: The national visibility of the Psychology Research Centre within Wales will be increased, e.g., by raising the profile of the *Welsh Journal for the Psychology of Religion* (Editorial home at Glyndŵr University) and running Welsh Branch BPS annual conferences at Glyndŵr University (September 2011, November 2013). Moreover, a dictionary of terms in psychology (*Geiriadur Termau Seicoleg*) is currently in preparation (*Lewis, Williams*, & Brake) and further translations of health and clinical psychometric measures for Welsh speakers (*Lewis*, Brake, & others. *Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine*, 2012, 29, 140-141. A depository of Welsh language psychometric tools is in development.

National collaboration: PRC has a strong working relationship with a number of UK universities: <u>U. College London</u> (Dein, *Lewis, & Loewenthal; Mental Health, Religion & Culture*, 2011, *14*, 1-7.) <u>De Montford U.</u> *Loewenthal* & Jaspal; *Identity Process Theory,* in press book chapter), <u>U. of Ulster</u> Mallet & *Lewis*; *Studia Psychologica*, 2013, 55, 229-246), <u>U. of Warwick</u> Goodall & *Williams*; *International Journal for Pagan Studies*, 2013, 15, 1-19.).

International collaboration: Existing international collaborations will be extended: in the <u>Psychology of Religion</u> Prof. Schildermann (New Zealand; Radboud U. Nijmegen, The Netherlands), Prof. Powell (Australian Catholic U., Sydney, Australia), Prof. Ross (Wilfred Laurier U. Ontario, Canada). In <u>Health Psychology</u> Prof. Dorahy (U. of Canterbury, New Zealand); Prof. Abdel-Khalek(Kuwait U.). Develop new international collaboration, including in <u>Sports Psychology</u> Jenny King (U. of South Africa).

Research user engagement: There will be a continuing focus on encouraging and enabling staff to work with communities (of practice, of interest, etc.) in which the outcomes of research can have a beneficial impact, extending existing good practice. *Richards* works with professional football clubs and national representative squads (Swansea FC, 2013; The New Saints FC 2010–ongoing; Wrexham FC, 2011; England Netball 2009–ongoing; Welsh Hockey 2009).

c. PEOPLE: Staffing strategy and staff development

Colleagues working in the <u>Psychology of Religion</u> have been collaborating together while at their previous institutions: Bangor U. (*ap Siôn, Kay*), U. of Warwick (*Robbins, Williams*), U. of Ulster (*Breslin, Corry, Lewis*), and Royal Holloway, U. of London (*Loewenthal*). The formation of the Department of Psychology at Glyndŵr University provided the opportunity to bring together these researchers together in one institution, including a number of ongoing PGRs. Staff were entered in the 2008 RAE in their previous institutions (*Graham, Irvine, Kay, Lewis, Loewenthal, Parry, Robbins*), or completed their PhDs since 2008 (*ap Siôn* (2010), *Breslin* (2006 supervised by *Lewis*), and *Corry* (2011 supervised by *Lewis*), *Williams* (2008 supervised by *Robbins*) or are currently completing their PhDs (*Richards, S-A. Baker*).

Appointment strategy: Each of the three research clusters have been supported with both strategic appointments and clear management appointments of experienced researchers with a



track record of managing research projects and supervising staff and students. Professors *Kay* and *Loewenthal* lead in the area of the <u>Psychology of Religion</u>. Following the appointment of *Lewis* (2009), expertise in mental health, religion and culture, this cluster has developed and strengthened with appointments of expertise in individual differences and religion: *Kay* (2009), *Williams* (2010), *Robbins* (2011), expertise in the psychology of prayer: *ap Siôn* (2011), *Breslin* (2013), expertise in mental health, religion and culture: *Lewis* (2009), *Loewenthal* (2013) [previously Visiting Professor since 2009]), *Corry* (2013, previously Visiting Fellow since 2010). Professors *Irvine* and *Parry* lead on <u>Applied Health Psychology</u>. *Irvine*, who has expertise in the area of mental health was appointed in 2012; both *Parry* and *S-A. Baker* were appointed prior to 2008. Professor *Lewis* leads on <u>Sport Psychology</u> and this area has been developed and strengthened by the appointments of *Graham* (2010) expertise in psychoneurological effects of doping and physical activity in sports and exercise and its effect on neurochemicals, inflammatory cytokines and their extended effects on anthropometry, and *Richards* (2009) expertise in developing decision making capabilities in elite sport teams. Staff appointments have been complemented by the addition of Honorary staff and Visiting staff.

Visiting staff: E.g., Dein & Loewenthal (Journal of Religion and Health, 52, 1382-1390.), Lewis, Dorahy & others (Christchurch Canterbury, New Zealand) (Irish Journal of Psychological Medicine, 2012, 29, 140-141.), Lewis, Houghton & others (Limerick Institute of Technology) (Irish Journal of Psychology, 2012, 33, 43-62.). Lewis & Schnell (U. of Innsbruck, Austria) (Co-edited Special issue of Special Issue of Implicit Religion, 2011, 14(4)), Lewis, Cummins & Mc Guckin (Trinity College, Dublin) (Psychology, Society, & Education, 2011, 3, 58-71.).

Honorary staff (Glyndwr University affiliation): E.g., S. Baker (*Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2013, 52, 557-572.*), Varvatsoulias & *Lewis* (*Mental Health, Religion & Culture, 2012, 15, 979-986*), Walker (Mental Health, Religion & Culture, 2012, 15, 987-995).

University's recruitment policy: The University's recruitment policy requires newly appointed staff to possess a doctoral degree and be able to demonstrate appropriate research expertise. Track record and "research fit" are taken into consideration when making new staff appointments. E.g., *Corry* (2013) to support the MSc Psychology of Religion as well as research in the <u>Psychology of Religion</u> research cluster. In addition, the University has also supported the appointment of senior academics to provide research mentoring. E.g., *Loewenthal* (2013) as joint lead of the <u>Psychology of Religion</u> cluster, because of her extensive research, supervision, and publication in the field.

Research students There has been success across the UoA in recruiting PGR students and there is now a critical mass, 14 PhD and 2 MPhil enrolments; in Sport & Exercise Science, 4 PhD; in Public & Social Policy, 5 PhD; in Theology/ Pastoral Sciences, 10 PhD and 2 MPhil, with 7 DMin enrolments - mostly part-time and self-funded. The quality of the graduates and their training is evidenced by the fact that their work is published with staff in international peer reviewed journals: e.g., Cummins (with *Lewis*) *Psychology, Society, & Education*, 2011, 3, 58-71; Astbury-Ward (with *Parry*) (*Journal of Sexual Medicine*, 2012, 3137-47); Warren (with *Parry*) *Research Policy and Planning*, 2012, 26, 143-155.).

At University level, there is significant support for PGR students in terms of induction, training, facilities, monitoring and supervisor support. All PGR students are allocated to a specific University Research Centre as part of the admissions process, to ensure that they are welcomed into an appropriate research environment. All PGR students are required to take part in the University Graduate School's research and transferable skills training programme which has been mapped against the Vitae Researcher Development Framework. Feedback from students contributing to enhancement work is gained directly, through the student – staff consultative committee, through student representation on University committees, and through analysis of responses to the Postgraduate Research Experience Survey. The PRC is committed to ensuring that Research Students are provided with opportunities for development over-and-above those set out by the University. e.g., PGRs contribute to a "Research Café" which enables them to discuss ideas and papers with each other, and with PRC staff. Further, they are encouraged to take an active role in the PRC's activities (e.g., organising research study days, running Moodle site).

Staff Development and training:



Support for new researchers: i) reduced teaching loads in their first year to allow research development time; ii) membership of the Psychology Research Centre to provide awareness of research group strengths, priorities and collaborative opportunities; iii) funding to facilitate conference attendance and general research; iv) pairing with an experienced mentor who provides advice about all aspects of research and publication. The success of this approach is evident in joint publications between existing and new staff (e.g., *Williams* with *Robbins*, *British Journal of Religious Education*, 2010, 32, 31-39). Training and development of staff is also provided through the University's Staff Development Programme, including annual appraisal to record individual requirements, and a continuing commitment to support staff in gaining research degrees.

Sabbaticals: The University supports the use of sabbaticals for staff to complete larger research projects. *Kay* visiting the Chinese U. of Hong Kong (Jan-Mar 2012), *Lewis* visiting U. of Christchurch Canterbury, New Zealand (Aug-Oct 2012), and *Robbins* visiting the Australian Catholic U. (May-June 2013). Outputs include: Books: *Aspects of Martyrdom and Terrorism* (*Lewis, Loewenthal*, & others, 2013), *Ireland: Economic, Social and Political Issues* (*Lewis, 2013*), *Journal Special Issue of Mental Health, Religion & Culture: The Churches and Wellbeing: Perspectives from the National Church Life Survey* (*Robbins*, in press), Book chapters on South East Asia (*Kay*, 2013), and school-based bullying (*Lewis &* Cummins & Mc Guckin).

Training: All academic staff and PGRs are provided with resources for CPD, both through specially constructed programmes (e.g., monthly seminar series and method workshops - e.g., *Parry* on NVivo, methodological paradigms and qualitative methods) and individual work (e.g., **Breslin** on Structural Equation Modelling), and through attendance at workshops, courses at other institutions, and national and international conferences (see section D).

As of 31/10/13, research cluster staff are (* Collaborate across themes):

Psychology of Religion: Leads: *Kay* and *Loewenthal**. Staff: *ap Siôn*, Breslin*, Corry*, Lewis*, Robbins, Williams*. Visiting Professors: Dein (U. College London), Schnell (U. of Innsbruck, Austria). Honorary Staff: S. Baker, Randall, Rutledge, Walker.

<u>Applied Health Psychology</u>: Leads: *Irvine* and *Parry*. Staff: *S-A. Baker, Breslin*, Corry*,* Graham, *Lewis*, Robbins**. Visiting Professors; Dorahy (Christchurch, Canterbury, New Zealand), Makin (Betsi Cadwaladr U. Health), McGuckin (Trinity College, Dublin), Tocque (Independent Researcher). Visiting Fellow: Houghton (Limerick Institute of Technology).

Sports Psychology: Lead: Lewis*. Staff: Graham*, Richards.

Infrastructure and facilities

d. Income, infrastructure and facilities

Research funding portfolios: S-A. Baker - Co-investigator, Knowledge Transfer Partnership project on Research Governance in the NHS, (£129,750); Migrant data analysis (Criminal Justice Board £3,000), Migrant worker study (Criminal Justice Board £10,000 with Parry). Kay - International research on Pentecostal Theology in South East Asia (Templeton Fund, £40,157). de Prez - (not returned) Knowledge Transfer Partnership exploring the psychological underpinnings of Health and Safety in High Risk Industries (£19,903). Irvine - Collaborative researcher: Okayama Prefectural University in Japan (in transcultural research and empowerment), U. of Cambridge (NIHR HTA grant of £853,000 awarded (co-applicant), Staffordshire U. (NIHR SSCR grant of £187,000 (PI). Irvine -Collaborative researcher: Okayama Prefectural U. in Japan (in transcultural research and empowerment), U. of Cambridge (NIHR HTA grant of £853,000 awarded (co-applicant), Staffordshire U. (NIHR SSCR grant of £187,000 (PI) BCUHB, medical physics team WSPCR grant awarded £23,000 (PI). Parry - Scoping study of alcohol culture (Alcohol Concern Cymru £30,000 coapplicant); Elder Abuse -- studentship study (NISCHR £57,000); Study of Homeless Services in Wrexham (Wrexham Housing Dept. & Temperance Society £10,000); Advocacy and older people evaluation study in North Wales (Age Concern £15,000); Voices of Children and Young people and Wellbeing (Welsh Government £25,000); Voices of older people and wellbeing (Welsh Government £10,000); Young people and arson (Wrexham Fire Dept, Police and Local Authority £16,500); Young people and youth justice orders (Wrexham Youth Justice Services £10,000); Collaborator: Salford University, Evaluation of Behaviour Change Programme (Salford NHS £75,000 co-applicant); Collaborator: Glamorgan U. & Aberystwyth U.: Wales Substance Misuse Strategy (Welsh

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Government £7,500). *Richards* - Football Association of Wales (£1,500); The New Saints Football Club (£2,000). *Taylor* - (not returned) £51,827 interventions for increasing children's attitude toward health and exercise (Wrexham Local Health Board & Denbighshire County Borough Council).

Provision and operation of specialist infrastructure and facilities:

Equipment: The PRC specialises within the paradigms of social-scientific research, and as such resources focus on those tools to aid this line of research, including data analysis tools (e.g., AMOS, MPlus, NVIVO, SPSS), and online survey tools (e.g., Qualtrics, SurveyMonkey), as well as a dedicated bookable testing suite of 8 rooms for interviewing. In addition, <u>Psychology of Religion</u> research has a dedicated psychometric library (see **Breslin & Lewis** Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2010, 49, 710-723). <u>Sports Psychology</u> research utilises a specialised Human Performance Lab that houses equipment such as treadmill, respiratory analysis equipment, cardiovascular analysis equipment and blood analysis equipment. The lab also features computers with software such as MicroDiet, Visual 3D, and Focus 2, and also has specialist notational analysis equipment in the form of Hi Pod for superior filming ability. <u>Applied Health Psychology</u> research utilising the psychometric lab, and experimental laboratories. Researchers within this research group also have access to the Simulation Suite at the Wrexham Maelor Hospital. Staff and students have access to resources and working spaces which are dedicated for research activities: observation suite, an immersive augmented reality "dome". Current research is using this equipment in wide-ranging domains such as eHealth, education and creative industries.

Library: The University library subscribes to Psychinfo and PsychArticles, ATLA Religion Database with ATLA Serials, and SPORTDiscus database with sports and sports medicine. The University has a shared library catalogue with Bangor U. that enables students to borrow from either library.

Techniquest Glyndŵr: The University hosts the science discovery centre Techniquest Glyndŵr (TQG). This provides opportunities for staff to contribute to public engagement activity, and its presence has stimulated new interdisciplinary research: staff in Psychology are working with colleagues in Creative Industries, Communications Technologies, and Health Sciences and with TQG staff, to investigate both technological and behavioural aspects of how "domes" (usually used as planetaria) can be used to provide enhanced interactive experiences for education, creative arts, training and entertainment.

The Centre for the Child, Family and Society: Established in Wrexham in 2011 (£2 million grant Welsh Assembly Government) to develop high level research based on the principles of psychological health and wellbeing. The Centre houses three observations suites with audio and visual recording equipment and the staff work closely with the PRC on collaborative research.

CREST: Since 2009, the University has also invested in the Consortium for Research Excellence, Support and Training (CREST), which pools resources in order to encourage cross- and interdisciplinary discourses, researcher mobility and research training and skills for research-active staff and PGRs. The Consortium allows smaller and specialist institutions to build on existing research strengths and to enhance their collective and individual research cultures.

e. Collaboration and contribution to the discipline or research base

Book series editorships: *Kay* - *Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies* (Brill); *Religion, Education and Culture* (U. Wales). *Robbins* - *Religion, Education and Values* (Peter Lang Ltd).

Editorial Boards: *ap Siôn* - Journal of Beliefs and Values (2012-to date), Welsh Journal of Psychology (2010-to date). S-A. Baker - Welsh Journal of Psychology (2012-to date). Lewis -Journal of Beliefs and Values (1998-to date). Loewenthal - International Journal for the Psychology of Religion (since 1996, Advisory Board 2004-to date); Archive for the Psychology of Religion (2005); Jewish Journal of Sociology (2009-to date); Anthropology of Religion (2012-to date), Welsh Journal of Psychology (2010-to date). Robbins - Journal of Religious Education (2011-to date), Welsh Journal of Psychology (2012-to date). Williams - Panorama-International Journal of Comparative Religious Education) (2006). Welsh Journal of Psychology (2010-to date).

Grant reviewer: **S-A. Baker** - NIHRSDO, NIHR Research for Patient Benefit programme. *Irvine* - NIHR Service Delivery and Organisation programme, National Institute for Social Care and Health Research. *Kay* - John Templeton Foundation; British Academy; Royal Society. *Lewis* -



AHRC/ESRC Religion and Society Programme Commissioning Panel (2008-2009). *Loewenthal* - AHRC; ESRC; AHRC/ESRC Religion and Society programme; NHS NIHR. *Robbins* - AHRC.

Conference organisers: Baker - Organiser - Welsh Branch BPS 2011, (Wrexham), 2013 (Wrexham). *Lewis* - Organiser - The BPS_Standing Conference Committee (2000-2008), Organiser - International Association for the Psychology of Religion Lausanne, 2013; Organiser - Welsh Branch BPS 2011 (Wrexham), 2013 (Wrexham). Organiser - The Psychological Society of Ireland Annual Conference Committee (2007-2008). *Loewenthal* - Organiser - Symposium on suicide in different religious traditions, National Spirituality and Mental Health Forum, 2013 (London).

Committee work: ap Siôn - Executive Director of the St Mary's and St Giles' Centre (a research centre for religion and education, 2008-to date); Executive Member and current Chair of the Wales Association of SACRE (2006-to date); Executive Member Religious Education Council for England and Wales (2010-date); Secretary Network of Psychological Type and Christian Faith (2005-to date): Secretary Inter-European Commission on Church and School (2011-to date): Member National Advisory Panel for Religious Education (2004-to date); Member Bangor Diocesan Board of Education (2012-to date). S-A. Baker - Welsh Branch BPS (2010 to date). Lewis - Welsh Branch BPS (2010-to date); Board Member International Association for the Psychology of Religion (2011-2014); Psychological Society of Ireland representative European Federation of Psychologists' Associations General Assembly (2006-2008); Psychological Society of Ireland representative International Union of Psychological Science General Assembly (2008); Trustee St Mary's and St Giles' Centre (2011-to date). Loewenthal - Member of Hackney School Governors Association: Member of Hackney Learning Trust admissions and exclusions appeals panel; Member Commission on the Future of Jewish Schools; Trustee of Chizuk (Supporting mental health in the orthodox Jewish community; Trustee of the National Spirituality and Mental Health Forum; Former Council Member of the East London and City NHS Mental Health Trust. Richards invited member onto advisory groups at world level (FIH, High Performance Panel 2009 – 2012) and national level (Sports Coach UK, Higher Education Advisory Group, 2009- ongoing). Parry -Cardiff Institute of Society, Health and Ethics, the Public Health Improvement Research Network at Cardiff U. Welsh Centre for Crime and Social Justice, advisor 'heathtalkonline' at Oxford U. **Robbins** - travel fund chair International Seminar on Religious Education and Values (£30,000). Williams - web-editor International Association for the Psychology of Religion (2011- present).

Consultancies & Professional Services: *S-A. Baker* - Betsi Cadwallader U. Health Board Research Governance Committee (2003-to date). *Loewenthal* - Health Psychology Research group, Royal Holloway U. of London; Board of Deputies of British Jews; Jewish Women's Aid. *Richards* -England Netball elite coaching team (2009- 2013); England Netball Under 21 World Cup Programme (2009 -2013); Advisor National Coach for Scottish Rugby 7's World Cup preparations (2012); World Qualified FIH Coach and consultant FIH High Performance Panel (2009-2013). International Coach -Women's National Hockey Team Wales (qualification Commonwealth Games 2010 & World Cup Qualifier); *Robbins* - Council of Europe (2011-2012). *Williams* - Toyota UK.

External Examination work: *Irvine* - 2 PhDs (Dundee U., U. Chester), 1 MPhil (U. Glamorgan). *Kay* - 13 PhDs, 2 DMins, 5 MPhils, 1 DTh. *Lewis* - 15 PhDs (Masaryk U. (x 2), U. Ulster, Nottingham Trent U., Sheffield Hallam U., The U. Wales, Trinity Saint David, Université Catholique de Louvain, U. East Anglia, Heythrop College, U. London, U. Plymouth (x 3), U. of Warwick (x 2), London Metropolitan U., Trinity College, Dublin), 1 Professional Doctorates (DClinPsych: U. Essex). *Loewenthal* - 6 PhDs (City U. London; Swansea Metropolitan U.; U. Ulster; All Hallows College Dublin; Heythrop College, U. London; London School of Economics) 10 Professional Doctorates (DPsychotherapy, DClinPsych, DCounsellingPsych, DPublicHealth) (Middlesex U. (6); Lancaster U. (3) 1 MPhil (Queens U. Belfast). *Parry* - 2 PhDs (Cardiff U.; U. Glamorgan). *Robbins* - 2 PhDs (U. Ulster; King's College, London).

International Conference Presentations: *Corry* - International Association for the Psychology of Religion 2009 (Vienna). *Lewis* - European Conference on Religion and Health 2012 (Berne), International Association for the Psychology of Religion 2009 (Vienna), 2011 (Bari,), 2013 (Lausanne). *Loewenthal* - International Association for the Psychology of Religious Education for Special Needs Children, Monash U. (Melbourne) 2008; European Conference on Religion and Health (Berne) 2012; World Union of Jewish Studies (Jerusalem) 2013; World Psychiatric Association (Tel Aviv) 2012. *Robbins*



- International Association for the Psychology of Religion 2011 (Bari); Society for the Scientific Study of Religion 2012 (Phoenix), 2013 (Boston).

Journal Editorships: Breslin - Co-edited Special Issue Mental Health, Religion & Culture (2008, 11(1)). Kay - Editor Journal of the European Pentecostal Theological Association (2004-to date). Lewis - Co-Editor Mental Health, Religion & Culture (1997-to date); Editor Welsh Journal of Psychology (2010-to date). Co-edited Special Issue Implicit Religion (2011, 14(4)); Former Editor Irish Journal of Psychology (2007-2009), Former Consulting Editor Journal of Social Psychology (2006–2008); Forthcoming Editor Archive for the Psychology of Religion (2015-2017). Loewenthal - Co-Editor Mental Health, Religion & Culture (1997-to date). Robbins - Co-Editor Journal of Empirical Theology (2013-to date), Managing Editor Rural Theology (2003-to date).

Learned Societies and Professional Bodies: S-A. Baker - Member BPS Division of Health Psychology. *Breslin* - Member BPS. *Corry* - Chartered Member BPS; Member International Association for the Psychology of Religion. *Lewis* - Associate Fellow BPS; Member BPS Division of Health Psychology, Member Transpersonal Psychology Section, Fellow Psychological Society of Ireland, Member International Association for the Psychology of Religion; Member APA (Division 36: Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality; Division 48: Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence); Fellow Royal Society for Public Health, Foreign Honourable Member of the Polish Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality. *Irvine* - MemberRoyal College of Nurses International Association for the Psychology of Religion, Fellow Royal Society of Medicine. *Robbins* - Chartered Member BPS; Member APA (Division 36: Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality); Trustee, Seminar on Religious Education and Values. *Williams* - Member BPS. *Richards* - Member Sports Coach UK, Member British Association of Sport and Exercise Science; Member Elite Skill Acquisition in Sport Network (BPS).

National Conference Presentations: *ap Siôn* - Welsh Branch BPS 2013 (Wrexham). S-A. Baker - RCN International Research Conference 2008 (Liverpool), 2009 (Cardiff), UKPHA Annual Public Health Forum 2008 (Brighton), Welsh Branch BPS 2011 (Wrexham), 2013 (Wrexham). *Kay* -Welsh Branch BPS 2013 (Wrexham). *Lewis* - Annual BPS 2008 (Dublin); Welsh Branch BPS 2011 (Wrexham), 2013 (Wrexham). *Loewenthal* - Annual BPS 2012 (St Andrews); Association of Jewish Studies (Kent) 2013, Ethnic Health Initiative 2012 (London). *Robbins* - Welsh Branch BPS 2013 (Wrexham). *Richards* – British Association of Sport and Exercise Science 2011 (Aberystwyth); British Association of Sport and Exercise Science 2009 (Leeds), 2010 (Chester); *Williams* - Welsh Branch BPS, 2011 (Wrexham), 2013 (Wrexham).

Peer reviewer (selected): *Breslin* - Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Mental Health, Religion & Culture. **Corry** - Mental Health, Religion & Culture. **Irvine** - Journal of Advanced Nursing; Bio Med Central Nursing, Health Informatics Journal. **Kay** - Journal of Belief and Values; International Journal of Children's Spirituality. **Lewis** - Archive for the Psychology of Religion; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Journal of Religion and Health. **Loewenthal** -International Journal for the Psychology of Religion; International Journal of Social Psychiatry; Social Science and Medicine; Transcultural Psychiatry, Journal of Religion and Health; Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology. **Richards** - Journal of Sport and Exercise Sciences. **Robbins** - Archives for the Psychology of Religion; Personality and Individual Differences. **Williams** - Journal of Contemporary Religion; Mental Health, Religion & Culture; Personality and Individual Differences.

Supervision - <u>On-going</u>: *ap Siôn* - 5 MPhils 4 PhDs. *Lewis* - 3 PhDs, 4 Prof. Docs . *Parry* – 1 NISCHR PhD studentship. *Robbins* - 2 MPhils, 4 PhDs. Williams - 1 PhD. <u>Completed</u>: *Kay* - 4 PhDs Friesen (2011) Simpson (2011), de Alminana (2011), Felix-Jager (2013), 1 MPhil Minianova (2012). *Lewis* – 9 PhDs S. Quinn (2008), Mullan (2008), Feeney (2008, H. Quinn (2008, Doran (2009), Corry (2011), Lee (2012), Pike (2012), P. Gilbert (2013), 1 MPhil (Gilbert 2011). *Parry* 5 PhDs (2 funded by the Royal College of General Practitioners). *Robbins* - 5 PhDs 2 MPhils.

Visiting Positions: Irvine - Professor (Hong Kong U.). Loewenthal - Professor (New York U. in London; Heythrop College, U. London). Robbins - Visiting Research Fellow (U. Warwick), Williams Visiting Research Fellow (U. Warwick), Parry - Professor (U. West Indies, Trinidad).