

Institution: University of Hull
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<p>1. Unit context and structure, research and impact strategy</p> <p><i>Overview:</i> The Politics UOA at Hull University is a highly active research community, comprised of researchers at all stages of their careers from postgraduate research students to professors. It has produced innovative impactful research which has achieved wide international recognition. The creation of our collegiate, dynamic research culture has been assisted by supportive measures at School/Faculty/University levels. Mentoring schemes, comprehensive research support (including research training, grant application support, research leave and impact case study support) and a wide range of research activities (including research seminars/workshops) have helped to create and sustain a vibrant and inclusive research community with a focus on cutting-edge disciplinary and interdisciplinary research.</p> <p>Drawing on research strengths the UOA has developed research groups and centres which organise discipline-specific research activity and take the lead on interdisciplinary projects with other Schools/Departments from across Hull University and beyond. The UOA's research activities are strongly outward-looking. Its researchers are involved in interdisciplinary research institutes at Faculty level (e.g. Institute of Applied Ethics) and University level (e.g., Maritime and Marine Institute and Energy and Environment Institute). Collaboration with leading academics, practitioners and stakeholders nationally and internationally has facilitated the production of high-quality outputs from externally and internally-funded research projects.</p> <p>The UOA is internationally respected for its innovative, impactful research in legislative studies (Norton), British politics (Beech, Norton), international political economy (Doctor, Lee), Idealism and New Liberalism (Connelly, Fear, Hatzistavrou, Tyler, Williams), environmental policy (Barnes, Connelly, Wurzel), the European Union and its member states' political/legal governance structures (Barnes, Lundmark, Monaghan, Varney, Wurzel), Latin American politics (Doctor), Middle Eastern studies, the internet, euthanasia and assisted suicide (Cohen-Almagor), and war studies, international politics and law (Chakma, Dai, Lonsdale, Martin, Moir, Morris, Pritchett). (Bold font indicates staff in the UOA submission).</p> <p><i>Research and impact strategy</i> Hull University is an 'internationally engaged anchor university' whose mission is to 'advance education, scholarship, knowledge and understanding by teaching and research, for the benefit of individuals and society at large' (Hull University, <i>Strategic Plan 2016-20</i>). Researchers from this UOA have made significant contributions to the fulfilment of this mission.</p> <p>The Faculty's strategic research priorities include: nurturing a community of researchers committed to innovative, impactful research; establishing clear, ambitious research expectations and performance measures appropriate to research disciplines and benchmarked against external standards; developing talent management to attract and retain high-performing researchers.</p> <p>The specifics of the UOA's research strategy have evolved over time to reflect organisational changes at the University/Faculty level. Nevertheless, its core research priorities remain constant and include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. developing world-class research and impact; ii. advancing innovative, impactful disciplinary and interdisciplinary research; iii. fostering enhanced collaboration with academic and non-academic partners; and, iv. promoting a supportive research environment which is co-operative and inclusive. <p>The UOA's research strategy has successfully generated state-of-the-art research into areas of wider societal and intellectual importance. It has embedded impact and knowledge exchange</p>

into its research activities, while prioritising research which contributes to nationally/internationally important research agendas and fosters interdisciplinary collaboration within the University and beyond. For example, **Barnes** and **Wurzel** (CI) were central to the £1.1 million UKRI Plastics and Research Innovation Fund (PRIF) award for a project on 'Creative Circular Economy Approaches to Eliminate Plastics Waste' (2019-2020). The interdisciplinary project included 45 academics from 14 Departments/Schools at Hull University.

The School of Politics and International Studies' research centres and groups have traditionally been the UOA's main drivers for collaborative disciplinary/interdisciplinary research. The UOA's researchers have increasingly taken the lead on intra-Faculty and inter-Faculty collaborative research, which benefitted from a reorganisation in 2016 that brought together the Department of Politics, Philosophy and International Studies and the School of Law within the newly-formed Faculty of Business, Law and Politics (FBLP). Initially, the School of Law and Politics (2016-2018) operated as a single unit before it was split into two separate Schools within FBLP. However, collaborations between researchers in the two Schools have continued beyond the formal existence of the single unit. Thus, this UOA includes researchers from the School of Politics and International Studies alongside Law School researchers with complementary and collaborative research activities.

The 2016 reorganisation made existing interdisciplinary research collaborations more sustainable, while facilitating new multi-/interdisciplinary research opportunities. Indicatively, **Barnes**, **Connelly** and **Wurzel** have jointly led significant inter-Faculty interdisciplinary research projects on environmental issues (detailed below) with colleagues in Geography, Education, Chemistry and Estuarine and Coastal Sciences.

Research Centres/Groups

Traditionally the coordination of collaborative research within the UOA has taken place through the activities of research centres and groups, including the: Centre for British Politics (CBP), Centre for Legislative Studies (CLS), Centre for Idealism and the New Liberalism (CINL), Centre for European Union Studies (CEUS), War Studies Research Group and Middle East Study Group (MESG). Each centre/group significantly contributes to the implementation of the interconnected research strategies at UOA/Faculty/University level including the above mentioned UOA's four core research priorities. While led by members of this UOA, each of these centres draws on the expertise of researchers from outside this core group. Reflecting the University's 2016 reorganisation of Departments/Schools and Faculties, our research centres have become increasingly involved in collaborative, interdisciplinary research led by, for example, the Institute of Applied Ethics (**Connelly**, **Fear**, **Hatzistavrou**, **Tyler**) and Energy and Environment Institute (**Barnes**, **Connelly**, **Wurzel**). As an example of the strengths arising from institutional investment in newly emerging impactful research from this UOA (**Barnes**, **Wurzel**) and other Hull University UOAs, the University created Aura in 2015 to facilitate collaboration between researchers and industry on offshore wind and other renewable energy, for which the Humber region has emerged as a global leader.

Directed by **Lord Norton**, the Centre for Legislative Studies draws on researchers from within the UOA (**Barnes**, **Beech**) and beyond (e.g. Carby-Hall, Leston-Bandeira, Wallis, Yong). It serves as a catalyst for internationally-leading, interdisciplinary research in the field of legislative studies. *The Journal of Legislative Studies* has been edited within the Centre, since its inception in 1995. **Norton** is also General Editor of Routledge's Library of Legislative Studies. A 503-page volume edited by **Norton**, *The Impact of Legislatures*, was published in 2020, to mark the 25th anniversary of the journal. PhD students supervised in the Centre since 2014 include Kameme (Malawian Parliament), Chen (Chinese National People's Congress), Darfour (Ghanaian Parliament), Alodat (Jordanian legislature), and Green (House of Lords reform). In addition to running research seminars/workshops, the Centre organises the biennial Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians, drawing together scholars and legislators from around the globe (<http://wroxtonworkshop.org>). The 14th Workshop was held at Wroxton College (Oxfordshire) in 2019. These internationally-renowned events focus on disseminating innovative research that is of practical value to the attending practitioners. The Centre collaborates with

other scholars and research organisations, including the Westminster Foundation for Democracy in analysing and developing post-legislative scrutiny in legislatures around the globe. This collaboration has resulted in joint research seminars and a special issue of *The Journal of Legislative Studies* on 'Parliaments and Post-Legislative Scrutiny' (2019). It has had significant impact on several parliaments, as detailed in one of the UOA's impact case studies in REF2021. The Centre therefore contributes significantly to the UOA's four core research priorities.

For the Centre for British Politics (CBP) (**Beech, Fear**, Lee, Monaghan, **Norton**), **Beech** organises the Annual Norton Lecture. Speakers have included Professors Green (2020), Casey (2019), Bevir (2018), Avril (2017), Deighton (2016), Childs (2015) and Curtice (2014). The CBP organised the Mellon Foundation-funded workshop on Brexit at UC Berkeley (2019) which led to a special issue of *British Politics* (2021); a roundtable on the Conservative-Liberal Coalition (2015); and, a joint workshop with the American Political Science Association's British Politics Group on 'Britain and America in Critical Perspective' (2014). CBP researchers have produced 11 book chapters, two journal articles and two edited books including **Beech** and Lee (eds.) *The Conservative-Liberal Coalition* with chapters by **Beech**, Lee, **Martin**, **Norton** and leading researchers from other universities. PhD students affiliated to the Centre who have successfully completed their theses during this REF period, e.g. Oliver. **Beech** mentored Munce who was associated with the Centre as a postdoctoral Leverhulme Trust Early Career Fellow (2011-14). The close involvement of PhD students and postdoctoral researchers provides evidence for a supportive research environment in line with the UOA's core research priorities. The CPB is formally linked with the Center for British Studies led by Professor Bevir at UC Berkeley's Institute for European Studies (IES). This partnership was formed in 2017 and is underwritten by a Memorandum of Agreement between Hull and UC Berkeley. It has led to joint workshops, webinars, guest lectures and a special issue. Hull University benefits from the prestige of being partnered with a global top ten institution (7th place, 2021 World University Ranking) and the UOA benefits from research collaboration and shared access to networks of scholars linked to the CBS and IES. **Beech** gave guest lectures at Berkeley's IES (2018-2019). A joint workshop on the *Decentred State* (2019) resulted in a special issue of *Public Policy & Administration*.

Since its creation (by its directors **Connelly** and **Tyler**) in 2007, the Centre for Idealism and the New Liberalism (CINL) has become a world-leading centre for research into British idealism, New Liberalism, RG Collingwood and Michael Oakeshott thus contributing significantly to the implementation of the UOA's core research priorities. Since 2014, CINL researchers (**Connelly**, **Fear**, **Hatzistavrou**, **Tyler**) have published two research monographs, two co-edited collections (including one in Polish with a Polish co-editor), 26 journal articles, 11 book chapters and four special issues for journals (including *The British Journal of the History of Philosophy*) featuring contributors from Italy, Poland, the USA and UK. CINL has hosted visiting scholars from Italy (Amos, Dividus), Japan (Hatta), Poland (Grygieńć), and Spain (Bagur, Taltavull). These activities reflect the Centre's place at the heart of a global collaborative network of British idealist scholars spanning Africa, Asia, Europe and North/South America. **Tyler** and **Connelly** are respectively the Convenor and Treasurer of the UK PSA British Idealism Specialist Group (BISG). They combine the resources of CINL and BISG to run annual joint academic events, especially with the Collingwood and British Idealism Centre at Cardiff University and the PSA Modern Liberty Specialist Group at Durham University. External CINL research funding includes grants from the Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science. **Connelly** and **Tyler** collaborate on the project 'The May Sinclair Papers: Creating a Discoverable Digital Archive of her Manuscripts', Pennsylvania University (USA) which will entail a funded visit to the Kislak Rare Book and Manuscript Library in 2021 (\$45,366) for the critical edition of May Sinclair's writings. **Fear** convenes the PSA Conservative Philosophy Group and is Communication and Finance Officer for the Specialist Group on Conservatism Studies. For 2017-18, **Connelly** received a British Academy Senior Research Fellowship (£43,351) for research on a R.G. Collingwood biography. Since 2014, CINL researchers have held visiting positions at Yokohama National University, Japan (**Tyler**), Arras University, France (**Connelly**, **Tyler**), Genoa University, Italy (**Connelly**, **Fear**, **Tyler**) and Nicholas Copernicus University,

Poland (**Tyler**). CINL staff supervised PhD students who completed their thesis in this REF period, including Paylor and Pearce. CINL has produced world-class, impactful research while collaborating internationally with a wide range of academic and non-academic partners also offering an inclusive research environment for early career researchers (**Fear**).

During REF2021, Centre for European Union Studies (CEUS) researchers (**Connelly**, Dai, Hayward, Monaghan, **Wurzel**) have produced three co-edited books, 12 journal articles, seven book chapters and two special issues. CEUS has collaborated with the Institute for European Public Law (Birkinshaw, **Varney**), organising research seminars with external speakers and the Jean Monnet lecture. In 2019, it launched the Hayward lecture in memory of Professor Jack Hayward, who was an active Centre member until his death in 2017. The inaugural lecture was given by Professor Menon (King's College). **Varney** is editor-in-chief for *European Public Law*. In line with the research priority to collaborate with academic and non-academic partners, **Varney** has carried out jointly with Professor Panara (Liverpool John Moores University) British Academy funded research on European Offices of the English Authorities in Brussels. Since 2014, CEUS has pioneered impactful interdisciplinary research on EU/European environmental policy. **Wurzel** organised an externally-funded (EU and Nijmegen University, Netherlands) workshop in Hull (2015) which resulted in a book edited by **Wurzel**, **Connelly** and Liefferink (Nijmegen) on *The European Union in International Climate Change Politics* (2017). The environmental leader/pioneer concept was developed further by Liefferink and **Wurzel** in a joint article for the *Journal of European Public Policy* (2017). EU COST funding enabled **Wurzel** and Liefferink (Nijmegen University) to organise a workshop on 'Pioneers and Leaders in Polycentric Climate Governance (PiLePoC)' in Hull (2016) which led to an *Environmental Politics* special issue (2019) edited by **Wurzel**, Liefferink and Torney (Dublin City University) and a book for Routledge (2020) edited by **Wurzel**, Andersen (Aarhus University, Denmark) and Tobin (Manchester University). A British Academy-funded project on 'The Ecological Modernisation of Structurally Disadvantaged Coastal European Maritime Port Cities' enabled **Wurzel** (PI), **Connelly** and Monaghan to collaborate with Hull University researchers in Geography and Estuarine and Coastal Sciences as well as in Germany. This led to joint publications and a workshop for academics/practitioners in Hull (2014). **Wurzel** and Jonas (Geography) gave an end-of-award presentation to practitioners in Bremerhaven in 2017 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DNoi_zZ_b_8). Moulton (Hull University PhD scholarship, 2014-16) was associated with CEUS and published jointly with his supervisor (**Wurzel**) and other established researchers (showing further evidence of a co-operative research environment). **Barnes'** internationally-renowned research and advocacy on environmental and fisheries governance underpins the UOA's second impact case study, 'Shaping UK and International Fisheries Law and Policy'.

The War Studies Research Group and researchers on international relations and law (Chakma, **Lonsdale**, **Martin**, **Moir**, Morris and Pritchett) have developed world-leading research which received funding from, e.g., the British Council, ESRC and Defence Science Technology Laboratory. **Connelly** (PI) collaborated with **Lonsdale** (CI) on the ESRC-funded project 'Ethics and Rights in Cyber Security' (2014-16). **Martin's** monograph on *The UK as a Medium for Maritime Power in the 21st Century: Logistics for Influence* was nominated for the Mountbatten Award for most influential Book from the UK Maritime Foundation. Chris Bellamy and Eric Grove have been Visiting Research Professors and a former PhD student, Sven Herpig, has worked as Visiting Research Fellow with **Lonsdale** on artificial intelligence and cyber security. **Moir** is a founding member and Deputy Director of the McCoubrey Centre for International Law and has published widely on the use of force and armed conflict. The Group has an active PhD student community, including, Dingli, Fedorcheck, Herpig, AlQahtani, Smith, Flint, Morris, and Pritchett (awarded PhDs this REF cycle).

Although the research centres/groups have developed from core strengths, the UOA also facilitates individual research interests which enhance outcomes for achieving our four research priorities. **Cohen-Almagor** has undertaken path-breaking research on the internet, especially in relation to hate speech which is the main focus of his monograph *Confronting the Internet's Dark Side* (Cambridge University Press, 2015). His research on safeguarding patient's autonomy at

the end-of-life has generated impact by helping to shape Israel's policy on organ transplants and end-of-life legislative initiatives in Australia, Belgium, Canada, Israel, New Zealand, South Africa, the UK and USA. **Doctor** and Lee are highly research active on domestic and international political economy issues. Doctor published a monograph on *Business-State Relations in Brazil* (Routledge, 2017), and collaborated on a Brazilian-funded project with São Paulo University on 'The Political Influence of São Paulo Business', that delivered on the UOA's research priorities.

Emeritus Professors Jack Hayward (until his death in 2017), Noel O'Sullivan, Lord Parekh and James Connelly (retired in 2020), have remained actively involved in the UOA's research activities.

Faculty-level Research Institutes

In addition to the UOA's research centres and groups, its researchers play leading roles in inter-Faculty research institutes, including the Institute of Applied Ethics (**Connelly, Fear, Hatzistavrou, Tyler**) and the Middle East Study Group (**Cohen-Almagor**).

The Institute of Applied Ethics (IAE) has attracted researchers from across the Faculty/University and engaged extensively with third sector/voluntary partners under its Directors **Connelly** (2014-17), **Tyler** (2017-19), **Fear** (since 2020). Since 2014, the IAE has been led by researchers in the School of Politics and International Studies (**Connelly, Fear, Hatzistavrou, Tyler**) with Faculty contributions especially from Law (Bielby, Johnstone) and Business (Reedy). It enjoys significant pan-University reach. Its core mission is to bring academics from across the globe to present pioneering research to the extended Hull University community of local citizens and civil society groups. IAE has become a bridge between the University, city and region, with events regularly attracting large audiences, thus fostering enhanced collaboration with non-academic partners. In 2014-20, IAE organised 42 seminars and 13 symposia/conferences which were attended by several hundred people including staff, students and the general public. It received £31,500 of internal non-pay funding. Additionally, annually it receives dedicated administrative support (0.6, band 4). During this REF period, IAE hosted speakers from Australia, Canada, Denmark, USA, and elsewhere. It welcomed speakers from non-academic organisations and think tanks, including the Centre for Ageing Better, Equality Trust, Humberside Police and Migration Yorkshire. 11 PGRs have been supervised by IAE members during REF2021.

The Middle East Study Group (MESG) is directed by **Cohen-Almagor**. Since 2014, it has organised 37 research seminars which were attended by hundreds of students, staff and local stakeholders. Its members/affiliate members are drawn from across the University (including, Chakma, Bovis, Bielby, Hayward, **Lundmark**) and beyond. High profile MESG speakers during this REF cycle include Lord Trimble (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate); former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert; Lord Williams of Baglan; Professor Lord Parekh; His Excellency Sir Vincent Fean, Former British Ambassador to Libya; His Excellency Ambassador Mazen Kamal Homoud, Jordanian Ambassador to the UK; and Sir Richard Dalton, former British Ambassador to Iran.

Future research

The UOA aims to continue developing world-class, impactful research while fostering collaboration with academic/non-academic partners within an inclusive and supportive research environment. The research centres, groups and institutes at UOA/Faculty/University level will be developed further with the aim of maintaining them as core drivers for the sustainable delivery of evolving research priorities which will aim to encourage researchers from the UOA to help set national/international research agendas and take advantage of newly arising research opportunities. Plans to set up a Faculty-level Hull Centre for Government have been advanced with the aim of strengthening further collaboration between research centres/groups as well as with individual researchers at School/Faculty/University level. A key part of its mission will be to extend the UOA's existing work with parliaments, not least in partnership with the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Hull University. Researchers from this UAO (**Beech, Cohen-Almagor, Connelly, Doctor, Norton, Tyler, Wurzel**) have taken leading roles in developing plans for such a centre.

2. People

Strategy and Staff Development

As previously mentioned, the Faculty's research strategy commits to: (i) nurturing a community of researchers at all career stages committed to innovative, impactful research; (ii) establishing clear, ambitious research expectations; (iii) performance measures appropriate to research disciplines and benchmarked against external standards; and, (iv) developing talent management to attract and retain high-performing researchers. These principles structure recruitment, career development, and research opportunities for staff.

Research leave

Research Leave is an example of creating opportunities at all career stages as evidenced by staff from lecturers to established professors being awarded research leave. The University operates a Faculty-level managed research leave scheme. All academic staff can apply for one semester of leave every seventh semester, with opportunities for additional shorter leave to complete specific projects. Since 2014, the following researchers have been each granted research leave: **Beech** (2016-17), Chakma (2016-17), **Cohen-Almagor** (2018-19), **Doctor** (2015-16, 2019-20), **Hatzistavrou** (2014-15, 2018-19), **Lonsdale** (2014-15), **Lundmark** (2018-19), **Martin** (2015-16), **Moir** (2016-2017), Monaghan (2016-17), Morris (2014-15), **Tyler** (2014-15, 2019-20) and **Wurzel** (2014-15, 2019-20). A British Academy/Leverhulme Senior Fellowship and an ESRC grant enabled **Connelly's** leave for 2014-15 and 2017-18. **Lonsdale's** leave in 2014-15 was funded by the same ESRC grant. In 2014-2015, a grant from the Johns Hopkins University, Bologna Center, enabled **Doctor** to spend one semester in Bologna as Visiting Associate Professor and Research Fellow. **Tyler** was bought out for one semester in 2014-15, when he was Visiting Professor at Wake Forest University, USA.

Mentoring

The UOA has an active mentoring policy in which, typically, senior staff mentor junior colleagues. **Lonsdale** mentors Pritchett, and **Tyler** and **Connelly** mentor **Fear**. Early career researchers Pritchett and **Fear** have been active in research activities, both within the School and wider research community. **Fear** contributes three outputs to REF2021. UOA researchers have also acted as mentors for researchers in other Departments/Schools/Faculties, e.g., **Doctor** mentored a History Department researcher working on Latin America (2017-2019). Post-PhD colleagues including Dingli, Silverwood, Moulton and Pritchett contributed to this UOA's research and teaching. They went on to careers at Glasgow University (Dingli), Coventry University (Silverwood) and York University (Moulton) or secured a permanent position within the UOA (Pritchett).

Career development

The performance of UOA researchers is appraised in annual development reviews conducted by the Head of School. The Associate Dean Research (ADR) identifies research training/support needs and addresses workload issues.

Since 2014, **Lonsdale** and **Varney** were promoted to Senior Lecturer and **Doctor**, **Beech** and **Martin** to Reader. **Barnes** (2017-2020) and **Tyler** (since 2020) were appointed ADR. Some former UOA staff secured senior level appointments at other universities including **Barnes** (Professor, Lincoln), Kennedy (Professor, Loughborough), Leston-Bandeira (Professor, Leeds) and Woodward (Senior Lecturer, Coventry).

In 2016, the University adopted a new Academic Career Framework which provides structured career paths in research, education and knowledge exchange. Research domain staff are expected to conduct 'significant research activity leading to internationally excellent outputs', including publications, impact, external grant capture and postgraduate research student supervision. Workload planning aims to ensure that researchers have sufficient research time. Research domain staff are normally allocated 40% under the Faculty's workload model which takes into account complementary teaching strategies reflecting the UOA's research priorities. In our teaching, we strongly support research skills development among UG/PG students (e.g., by

offering a Year 2 'Paths of Research' module and the inclusion of PGRS in School/Faculty research seminars and research achievement seminars).

Postgraduate Research Students:

The well-being, support, training and supervision of PhD students is at the heart of the UOA's research community. PhD students have two supervisors whom they meet at least 12 times annually, although more frequent meetings are common. PhD students are subject to annual progress reviews. They must undertake a rigorous compulsory research training programme and benefit from extensive additional research training opportunities). All first-year PGRS take the Doctoral College's Modern Researcher module and School/Faculty-run discipline-specific methods modules. PGRs are present their research to fellow students and staff at research seminars. The Postgraduate Studies Director supports research students, and acts as link between the UOA and the University's Doctoral College, as well as between students and their supervisors. All PGR students are encouraged to attend and present at both the Faculty's PGR monthly meeting (which supplements the staff-student community, being less formal and aimed solely at PGRs) and the Doctoral College's Faculty-oriented monthly Research Community and Culture Seminars.

Hull University's drive towards interdisciplinary research has triggered an increase in PhD students with joint supervisors from different Schools/Departments/Faculties. Examples include Fagan (Politics/FBLP and Philosophy/FACE), Moulton (Politics/FBLP and Geography/Science Faculty), and Zisis (Politics and Business School). All PhD students have access to personal research space and computing facilities. PhD students can apply for Faculty research support of up to £1,500 annually and, if justified, for more. The funds can be used for conference/workshop presentations, archival research, interviews/fieldwork, research training, or other research activities.

Since REF2014, 56 PhD students successfully completed their PhD. This represents a significant increase in PhD student numbers and an improvement in the completion rate. In this REF cycle, 19 PhD students held competitively awarded Hull University PhD scholarships. Each PhD scholarship is worth between £50,000-£60,000 (depending on home or international student status) for the duration of a three-year degree, totalling more than £1 million. The University has therefore made a significant investment in the UOA's PhD research community. Several PhD students received external grants (e.g. China Scholarship Council, also Omani, Jordanian and Thai governments).

PGRS have benefited from the AHRC-funded doctoral training centre, Heritage Consortium, which is eligible to bid for funds for public policy engagement training programmes. Wilson (History) and Monaghan designed one-day training sessions on public policy engagement in Leeds (2015) and London (2015), which were attended by more than 30 PhD students from Hull and its consortium partners, including Moulton. In June 2020 a Hull University research team was granted £1.35m by the Leverhulme Trust for a Doctoral Scholarships Centre for Water Cultures (2020-26). **Wurzel** will act jointly with Burden (Education) as PhD supervisor for the Centre for Water Cultures, which will be open to other UOA students/researchers.

Many of our former PGRS have secured research-related posts at other universities. Examples include Banjongprasert (Chiang Mai University, Thailand), Chen (Beihang University, Beijing, China), Fedorchak (NTNU Trondheim, Norway), Kameme (Vice-Chancellor at Daeyan University, Malawi), Khalfey (Birmingham University), Moulton (York University), Oliver (Manchester University), Pearce (Copenhagen University, Denmark), Rogers (Associate Fellow, LSE IDEAS), Woodward (Coventry University) and Zhu (Chinese University of Politics and Law, Beijing). Former PGRS employed by research-related organisations include Okechukwu (Max Planck Foundation for International Peace and the Rule of Law) and Paylor (Emerald Publishing). Many have published independently or with their supervisor (e.g. Oliver and **Beech** (2014) and Moulton and **Wurzel** (2019)) providing further evidence of the UOA's sustainable research culture that is inclusive towards ECRs.

Inclusivity, diversity, respect and integrity

The UOA is committed to equality of opportunity. All staff have to complete regular equality and diversity training in line with University policy. We are actively involved in implementing Principle 6 of the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers. Specialist IT and other equipment as well as support, personal assistance, and adjustments to the office environment of three of our researchers have been made to enable them to engage in research. More than half of the UOA's Band 9 and 10 Politics colleagues were born outside the UK. Improving career outcomes for female researchers is a UOA priority, with **Doctor** and **Tyler** now sitting on the Faculty's Athena SWAN Group.

Faculty- and University-level support

Hull University's Research and Enterprise Office offers dedicated bid development, impact development and capacity building. The Research Funding Office provides support with costings. The Research and Innovation Development Team (RIDT) supports researchers through: identifying research opportunities and helping to develop research ideas into projects/bids; support major strategic bids; facilitate interactions between academics, funders and external partners; develop interdisciplinary research collaborations across Schools/Faculties and University-level Research Institutes; and help developing impact plans. The RIDT engages with research funders, partners and users to understand their requirements, priorities, and future trends; and identifies internal research capabilities to enhance researcher's and research groups' ability to respond to opportunities. The University encourages multi-/interdisciplinary research through competitive University PhD cluster scholarships, Global Challenges Research QR Fund, Impact Accelerator Fund, the HEIF fund, and the Research England Quality-related Research Strategic Priorities Funding (QR SPF) to enhance policy engagement.

The Faculty Research Forum facilitates research dialogue, enabling Research Directors, REF-Leads and the ADR to share information with researchers about research agendas and strategic initiatives. The Forum provides opportunities for staff to feed into the Faculty/University's research agenda. The Faculty organises writing retreats, impact development workshops, bid development training, and evaluation workshops. Since 2018, the Faculty has produced a monthly research newsletter to showcase research, advertise training and development opportunities. The Faculty Research Committee meets quarterly with representation from all three Schools and research support staff from FBLP and the University.

3. Income, infrastructure and facilities*Infrastructure and facilities*

Hull University has invested significantly in its research infrastructure and facilities over the current REF period. Since its creation in 2016, the FBLP spent £469,762 on research. In 2015, the University's Brynmor Jones Library was fully refurbished at a cost of £28 million. It houses one million books, including more than 4,000 rare books many of which are regularly used by UOA staff (**Connelly, Fear, Tyler**). The UOA itself, under the auspices of CINL, houses the library of the idealist philosopher Errol Harris. The Hull History Centre, which partners with the University and Hull City Council, holds important archival material including Alan Johnson's personal papers, offering unique research opportunities for UOA staff and PGRS. The University established the Alan Johnson PhD scholarship in 2019.

Hull University uses Worktribe as its research information management system and repository, making available (green) open access publications and external communication tools for research relevant information. The University subscribes to GRANTfinder to provide its researchers with target information about funding opportunities. The use of Box and Teams for research collaboration has expanded especially during the COVID-19 crisis. UOA staff have their own offices with computers, as well as communal working spaces and staff rooms for informal meetings.

External research funding:

In line with the UOA's research priorities (see section 1), we have developed robust approaches to research project applications and grant income capture. The UOA's research centres/groups and the University-level Research Institutes lie at the heart of our research activities, and are well supported by the University's Research Funding Office and RIDT. Since 2014, the UOA's external research income amounted to a total of £483,333. Compared to REF2014 (£381,847), this constitutes a significant improvement in research grant capture by this UOA (14.2 FTE) compared to REFF2014 (19.2 FTE).

Larger external funding bids are usually based on teams of researchers. **Connelly** (PI) and **Lonsdale** (CI) secured ESRC funding for a research project on 'The Common Good: Ethics and Rights in Cyber Security' (2014-16). The Hull component was £165,396 (grant total: £198,151). This project exemplifies the close collaborations between different research centres/groups within the UOA and across Faculties. While **Connelly** is active especially in the UOA's Centre for Idealism and New Liberalism, Centre for European Union Studies and Faculty-level Institute of Applied Ethics, **Lonsdale** mainly contributed to the War Studies Research Group.

The UOA's researchers are increasingly involved in cross-Faculty interdisciplinary research. Examples include: **Wurzel** (CI) and **Barnes** participated in the £1.1 million UKRI funded project 'Evolving a Circular Plastics Economy'. With researchers from Education, **Wurzel** and Monaghan have been involved in a connected pump-priming project, 'Engaging Young People in the Circular Plastics Economy', and **Wurzel** also in a related UKRI-funded project on 'Citizen Inquiry' (PI: Burden, Education). A British Academy-funded (£10,000) project 'The Ecological Modernisation of Structurally Disadvantaged Coastal European Maritime Port Cities' enabled **Wurzel** (PI) to collaborate with **Connelly**, Monaghan and researchers in Geography and Estuarine and Coastal Sciences (2013-2016). Subsequent Hull University Aura and QR SPF funding allowed **Wurzel** and Jonas (Geography) to undertake research on offshore wind energy in structurally-disadvantaged cities/regions in Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands and the UK. **Varney's** 2015 British Academy-funded project (£5,824) on 'Transparency and Accountability of the European Offices of the English Local Authorities in Brussels' and **Barnes** (CI) European Commission-funded project (£281,689) on 'Climate Change and European Aquatic Resources' (2016-2020) also focused on EU/European issues. **Barnes** and **Wurzel** were research team members for the EU FP7-funded project on 'Vectors of Change in Oceans and Seas Marine Life, Impact on Economic Sectors' which involved 37 research teams from 14 European countries (2011-2015). Funding for the Hull-based research team amounted to £394,000.

As Director of the IAE, **Tyler** led Hull University's side of the AHRC-funded (£142,675) collaboration with Dr Wilson (Liverpool John Moores) on 'Instrumental Values: Professional ethics in collaborative cultural work' (2017-18). The IAE received funding for organising a practitioner-oriented workshop in Hull, plus £1,300 for dissemination events. **Tyler** was PI for 'Workshops on the Development of Japanese Ideas of Social Justice: The British Idealists' influence', held in Japan and funded by a Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation Small Grant (£3,569). While Visiting Professor at Wake Forest University, USA (2014-15) and at Yokohama National University, Japan (2018), **Tyler's** salary cost and accommodation were covered, totalling circa £45,000.

War Studies Research Group members **Lonsdale** received funding from the Office of the Chief Scientific Advisor for National Security (£42,000) and Chakma (jointly with Kennedy-Pipe) from the British Council UK India Education and Research Initiative (£18,680) (2015-16). Chakma's grant helped to build educational and research collaborations with Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India. Collaborators included Professor Suranjan Das (Vice-Chancellor of Jadavpur) and Dr Shantanu Chakravarti (Calcutta University), who received matched funding from the University Grants Commission (India). Moreover, Chakma received funding from the British Army Project (£8,000) for collaboration with Cranfield University and King's College, London for the project Security Sector Horizon Scanning 2015.

Linked to the MESH, **Cohen-Almagor** received \$8,000 from the Israel Institute for researching the Middle East peace process (2019), £9,000 from The 1970 Trust for MESH research activities (2013-2016) and \$7,000 from the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy for a Fellowship at St. John's College, Oxford (2018).

Doctor has held grants from the Bologna Institute of Policy Research (BIPR) at SAIS Europe (2016-2017) for a project on Brazilian foreign policy, and a grant from the Fundação de Amparo a Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo (FAPESP), *The Political Influence of São Paulo Business: Comparing the Political Strategies and Policy Impact of the Paulista Agricultural and Industrial Sectors*, at São Paulo University (2016).

4. Collaboration and contribution to the research base, economy and society

As part of an internationally-engaged civic university and an anchor institution at local and regional levels, the UOA's researchers are strongly engaged in collaboration within the city/region and beyond. It prizes its reputation for contributing to the national/international research base, as well as the wider economy and society nationally and abroad. In line with the UOA's four core research priorities, researchers are involved in national/international academic and non-academic networks and collaborations with the goal of developing world-leading, impactful research. They actively participate in roles that contribute to knowledge, inform public policy, and support societal well-being, as outlined in the indicative list of the UOA's contributions below. The UOA's two impact case studies – 'Post-legislative scrutiny in the United Kingdom, 2014-2020' (**Norton**) and 'Shaping UK and International Fisheries Law and Policy' (**Barnes**) – offer particularly strong evidence for the engagement by UOA researchers with and their impact on non-academic research users. Additionally, most of the UOA's research aims to generate impact and/or knowledge exchange.

The UOA's access to the University/Faculty's research infrastructure, and opportunities to strategically utilise internal/external research collaborations to attain grants, PGRS, and societal partners have further enhanced its contributions to the research base. We have been especially sensitive to contributing to the politics and public policy research needs of the wider national/international community during the COVID-19 crisis, which triggered much greater online involvement compared to before the pandemic.

Networks

UOA staff have held leading roles in research networks and professional organisations (e.g. PSA, BISA).

Beech served on APSA's British Politics Group Executive Committee (2014-2019). **Cohen-Almagor** is a Steering Committee member of ECPR Standing Group on Human Rights and the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (ISGAP) as well as board member of the Association for Israel Studies and the Advisory Committee, Initiative on Youth-oriented Online Hate at Harvard University. **Doctor** was Co-Chair for the Economy and Society Track in the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Congress (2015), and the LASA Politics and Economy Section Chair for many years. **Tyler** and **Connelly** are Co-convenor and Treasurer respectively of the UK PSA British Idealism Special Group. **Fear** is Communication and Finance Officer for the PSA Conservatism Studies Group. **Hatzistavrou** has been President of the UK branch of the International Association of Legal and Social Philosophy (IVR) since 2018. Centre for Idealism and the New Liberalism researchers (**Connelly**, **Fear**, **Tyler**) have organised a collaborative network for British idealist scholars spanning Africa, Asia, Europe and North America. **Norton** organises and co-sponsors, with the International Parliamentary Union, the biennial *Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians*, which facilitates dialogue between scholars and practitioners. **Norton** has been elected President of the *Study of Parliament Group*, drawing together academics and parliamentary officials. In 2020, he became Chair of *The History of Parliament* which is funded by grants-in-aid from both Houses of Parliament. **Wurzel** acted as Co-Convenor (2016-2020) for the PSA's German Politics Specialist

Group, which was (jointly with the Greek Politics Specialist Group) named Specialist Group of the year in 2019.

Norton and **Tyler** are Fellows of the Academy of Social Sciences.

Journals

UOA researchers have served as editors and on editorial boards of many leading journals. **Beech** is an editorial board member of *Policy Studies*. Cohen-Almagor's editorial board memberships include: *European Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, *Israel Studies* and *Ethical Space*. **Doctor** is an Associate Editor on the *Brazilian Political Science Review*. **Connelly** is Executive Editor for *International Journal of Social Economics*, which he co-edited with **Tyler** (2016-20). Both are editors of *Collingwood and British Idealism Studies*. **Lundmark** is an editorial board member of *Rechtstheorie* and *State and Law: Proceedings of the Institute of State and Law* of the Russian Academy of Sciences. **Norton** founded and edits *The Journal of Legislative Studies*. **Tyler** served on the editorial advisory board of *Politics and Religion*. **Varney** is editor-in-chief of *European Public Law*. **Wurzel** has served on the editorial boards of *Environmental Politics* (since 2012) and the *Journal of European Public Policy* (2004-2020).

Many UOA researchers have edited special issues of journals. Indicatively: **Connelly** co-edited special issues on Brexit for the *Marmara Journal of European Studies* (2018) and on *Collingwood and British Idealism Studies* (2018). **Tyler** and **Connelly** co-edited a *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* special issue on 'British Idealism: Language, Aesthetics and Emotions' (2018). **Beech** edited a *British Politics* special issue on 'Brexit and the Reimagining Political Traditions' (2021). **Wurzel** was lead co-editor for an *Environmental Politics* special issue on 'Pioneers, Leaders and Followers in Multilevel and Polycentric Climate Governance' (2019).

UOA staff have been peer reviewers for over 150 journals and many leading publishers. They contribute to the wider research environment through reviewing proposals for national (e.g., AHRC and ESRC) and international research funding bodies (e.g., German Academic Science Foundation (DFG), FRS-FNRS Belgium).

Visiting Fellowships/Professorships and Fellows

UOA researchers have held visiting positions at other universities/research institutes which reflect the high international standing of our researchers. **Beech** held an International Visiting Research Fellowship, Flinders University (2015). He was Visiting Scholar at the Institute of European Studies, UC, Berkeley (2017) and is Senior Fellow at the Institute and Associate Member of the *Centre de Recherches en Civilisation Britannique*, Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris 3. **Cohen-Almagor** Visiting Professorships include: Basel University, Switzerland (2016); Nirma University, India (2018); Zurich University, Switzerland (2018) and a Distinguished Visiting Professorship at University College London (2019). **Doctor** was Visiting Associate Professor at Johns Hopkins University, Bologna, Italy (2015) and Visiting Research Fellow at São Paulo University, Brazil (2016). **Hatzistavrou** held a Visiting Fellowship at Princeton University (2016). **Lundmark** was part-time (20%) professor at the University of Southern Denmark (2016-2017). During 2014-20, the UOA's standing with British idealist networks led to visiting positions in France (**Connelly, Tyler**), Italy (**Connelly, Fear, Tyler**), Poland (**Tyler**), USA (**Hatzistavrou, Tyler**) and Japan (**Connelly, Tyler**).

Invited lectures/keynotes

The high international reputation of UOA researchers is evidenced also by its large number of invited keynote lectures/speeches. A small sample includes the following.

Beech was invited to: Adelaide University, 2015; Flinders University, 2015; Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, 2017; UC Berkeley, 2017-2019; Northern California World Trade Center, Sacramento 2018; California Chamber of Commerce, 2019.

Cohen-Almagor gave keynote lectures at: Vigo University, Spain, 2015; Sheffield University, 2016; Adam Institute for Democracy and Peace, Jerusalem, 2016; Antwerp University, 2017; Universidad de A Coruña, 2018; Nirma University, India, 2018.

Connelly gave keynote lectures at: Marmara University, Istanbul, 2015, 2016; Urbino University, 2016, 2017; Oxford University, 2016; Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 2017.

Doctor's keynote lectures include: Brazilian Political Science Association (ABCP) Congress, 2016; WEES Conference, Maringa State University, Brazil, 2018. Amongst her invitations were: Uruguayan Political Science Association Congress (AUCiP), 2014; São Carlos University, Brazil, 2016; Oxford University, 2016, 2017; King's College London, 2017, 2020; Leiden 2017; University of São Paulo, 2018; York University, 2018; Suffolk University Boston, 2020. Both 2020 engagements were open registration webinars on Brazil's COVID-19 response.

Lundmark's invited lectures include: Aarhus University, Denmark (2016-2020), Hamad bin Khalifa University, Qatar (2016), Münster University, Germany (2016); Siberian Federal University, Russian Federation (2018).

Norton's numerous keynote lectures in academic and practitioner contexts include: Oxford University, 2014; National Assembly for Wales, 2014; Palace of Westminster, 2015; Speaker's Lecture, Speaker's House, Westminster, 2015 and 2019 [broadcast on BBC Parliament]; High Sheriff's Magna Carta Lecture, Hull University, 2015; Hull University Founder's Day Lecture, Holy Trinity Church, Hull, 2015; The Michael Ryle Memorial Lecture, Speaker's House, Westminster, 2016; Birmingham-Illinois Partnership for Discovery, Engagement and Education, Brussels, 2018; Westminster Foundation for Democracy /Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS), University of London, 2018; Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians, Wroxton College, 2019; The Bingham Lecture in Constitutional Studies, Oxford University, 2019. In 2016 Norton gave the keynote lecture on 'The Modern Slavery Act 2015' for the Judges' Summit on Human Trafficking and Organised Crime, Casina Pio IV, Vatican City, Rome.

Tyler delivered keynote lectures at: National Humanities Center, USA, 2014; Université de Cergy-Pontoise, France, 2014; Kobe University and Kyoritsu Women's University, Japan, 2017; Urbino University, Italy, 2018; Copenhagen University, 2018; Waseda University, Japan, 2018; Indian Institute of Technology Tirupati, India, 2020.

Wurzel gave keynote lectures at: Environmental Policy Research Centre (FFU), Berlin, 2016; Oxford University, 2017; Climate City Office Bremerhaven, Germany, 2017; INTERREG-funded workshop, Sønderborg, Denmark, 2019.

Researchers from the UOA and its research centres/groups have organised many international conferences/workshops with academics, practitioners and stakeholders from across the world. These high-profile events, often with open access, involved outreach to the local community and beyond. For example, **Fear**, Pritchett and **Beech** have been central to the organisation of staff and student research seminars which continued online during the COVID-19 crisis. To ensure a high-quality research environment for PGRs during the COVID-19 crisis, Pritchett organised online discussion seminars with external speakers including Professor Low (Durham) and Dr Fedorchak (NTNU). **Tyler** and **Fear** organised a two-day online conference for idealist scholars from four continents (2020).

Outreach and knowledge transfer

The UOA's researchers have been actively involved in outreach and generating research impact in a wide range of knowledge transfer activities that were driven by our research centres/groups.

British Politics and Legislative Studies

Beech, **Norton** and Lee are frequent contributors to radio/television and blogs The Centre for British Politics Annual Norton Lecture is open to the public. **Norton** engages in advisory roles in Westminster and serves on constitutional and other committees, as well as playing a full part in

the work of the House of Lords. In this REF period, **Norton** served as member of the Constitution Committee (2015-19). He coordinates and supervises the undergraduate degree programme British Politics and Legislative Studies which has a year's placement in Westminster. He regularly contributes to the blog, *Lords of the Blog*. **Norton** chairs the Academic Governing Board of the Hansard Society. He is engaged in convening the Centre for Government, with the brief of coordinating research on government/governance across Hull University while maintaining and developing engagement with relevant practitioners in the UK and abroad.

Since 2014, **Norton** has given written/oral evidence to the following parliamentary committees: Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee, House of Commons (2015, 2016, 2017, twice 2019); Constitution Committee, House of Lords (2019); Liaison Committee, House of Lords (2018, 2019); National Assembly for Wales, Expert Panel on Electoral Reform (2017); Lord Speaker's Committee on the Size of the House, House of Lords (2017); Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, House of Lords (2016); International Development Committee, House of Commons (2014). **Norton** contributed to the following seminars in parliament: Liaison Committee, House of Lords, (2018); Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Select Committee, House of Commons (2015, 2018); Public Administration Select Committee, House of Commons (2014); 1922 Committee Executive (2016).

Applied Ethics

The IAE engages extensively with the local community, by inviting local and business representation onto its executive committee, and contributing to the local British Humanist Association Group, the Hull and East Riding Inter-Faith Network, and other groups. It has hosted many publicly-oriented events, covering military ethics and police ethics with police practitioners. Recent external IAE speakers include MPs (e.g., Jon Cruddas), policy-oriented academics (Professor Pickett (York) and Professor Dorling (Oxford)), and members of policy organisations including the Stockholm Environment Institute, Policy Exchange and Citizen's Basic Income Trust. **Connelly's** Leverhulme funded engagement with military ethics education in the British Army led to edited books on military ethics and collections for practitioners. He has contributed to radio/television and online blogs, for example, with **Fear**, on Brexit in the *New Statesman*. **Tyler** is a member of the Stakeholder Group of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Role of the House of Lords (since 2019) and the Labour Academics Network (since 2020).

European Union and environmental policy

Wurzel's research on environmental leaders and structurally-disadvantaged cities/regions has led to extensive practitioner engagement in Bremerhaven, Brussels, Hull and elsewhere. He organised a CEUS *Roundtable on Brexit* (2018) and provided written evidence on Brexit and the Environment to the House of Lords EU Environment Sub-committee (2020). **Wurzel** represented the German Politics Specialist Group at a PSA-organised online roundtable European governments' reaction to the COVID-19 crisis (2020). He has contributed to many international media organisations. Monaghan works with the Hansard Society as a member of the Academic Governing Board. **Barnes** has given evidence to Parliamentary Committees including: Lords Energy and Environment Sub-committee (2016, 2019); External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee, National Assembly for Wales (2016); Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee (2017); Northern Ireland Affairs Committee (2018); Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee, Welsh Assembly (2018, 2019, 2020); Committee on the Future Relationship with the EU (2020).

Latin America

Doctor engages in knowledge transfer and outreach, for example, as a speaker on the Latin America panel at the annual Oxford Analytical Global Horizons/International Conference (2002-2018); 'European Strategies for Latin America: Cooperation and Challenges', International Institute for Strategic Studies (2014); Annual Conference of the Association of Private Port Terminals, Brasilia (2018); Latin America 2019 Conference, Chatham House/Royal Institute of International Affairs, London (2019); consultant on political risk strategy workshops for Shell International's Brazilian investments, and contributions to closed meetings/seminars at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. **Doctor** is a Non-Executive Director for the BlackRock Latin

American Investment Trust, London (since 2010). She gives regular media interviews including three BBC programmes covering the 2018 Brazilian presidential elections.

Middle East Study Group

The MESH engages with local citizens and external groups to deliver influential academic insights to the public. It provides public forums for people of different nationalities to promote understanding of Middle East affairs and supports justice, human rights, women rights, minority rights, health rights, peace, security, the two-state solution (Israel and Palestine), as well as freedom of expression. **Cohen-Almagor** and Lord Parekh are involved in debates in the UK and abroad on topics such as the Arab-Israeli conflict, fighting terrorism and freedom of expression. **Cohen-Almagor** has spoken at the Oxford University and Cambridge University debating societies on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

War Studies Research Group

The Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre (DCDC) consulted **Martin** on the UK's Arctic Policy (2019). He attended meetings at MoD (London) and provided feedback on policy, and was invited to join the Royal Navy's new Strategic Studies Centre in 2019. He was keynote speaker at NATO Symposiums in 2018 and 2019. He has been consulted by Humberside Police on maritime security and counterterrorism. **Lonsdale** established the 'DesignForSecurity' group with the School of Design, Leeds University. It has produced papers and the research project, 'Handling and Communicating Intelligence Information', with the Office of Chief Scientific Advisor for National Security as well as a briefing, report and guidelines booklet for the OCSA. Lonsdale acted as syllabus advisor for the UK Defence Academy and was a member of the IISS/FCO Academic Network on Future Conflict and Cyber Security, advising the FCO.

Throughout this REF period, the UOA has therefore continued to make significant contributions to the global research base, economy and society, while actively collaborating on innovative, impactful research, outreach and networking activities with researchers, practitioners and stakeholders in the UK and abroad which are in line with the UOA's core research objectives.