Curriculum Vitae
Professor George Lawson
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1. Web
Profile: https://researchers.anu.edu.au/researchers/lawson-g
Papers: https://anu-au.academia.edu/GeorgeLawson
More papers: https://www.researchgate.net/profile/George_Lawson
Book series: www.lse.ac.uk/international-relations/centres-and-units/cis/cup-book-series

2. Research interests
- Processes of radical change, especially revolutions.
- Historical Sociology, especially analysis of global modernity.
- International Relations (IR) theory, especially the relationship between history and IR.

3. Employment
Jan 20 – Professor, Department of International Relations, ANU
Aug 13 – Associate Professor, Department of International Relations, LSE
(leave of absence January-December 2020)
Sep 07 – Jul 13 Lecturer, Department of International Relations, LSE
Sep 05 – Aug 07 Lecturer, Politics Department, Goldsmiths, University of London
Sep 04 – Aug 05 ESRC Post-Doctoral Fellow, Centre for International Studies, LSE
Sep 03 – Aug 04 Tutorial Fellow, Department of International Relations, LSE
Sep 96 – Aug 99 Researcher, Demos
Sep 94 – Sep 95 Research Assistant, Macmillan Publishers

4. Education
Oct 99 – Sep 03 PhD International Relations, LSE
Oct 95 – Sep 96 MSc Political Sociology, LSE, Distinction
Oct 91 – Jun 94 BA Joint Hons History & Sociology, Manchester University, 1st class

5. Publications
Books

- Chinese translation (2020).


Journal articles


‘Within and Beyond the “Fourth Generation” of Revolutionary Theory’, Sociological Theory 34(2) 2016: 106–127.


‘Rethinking Benchmark Dates in International Relations’ (with Barry Buzan), European Journal of International Relations 20(2) 2014: 437–462.
Reprinted in:

Reprinted in:


Responses in:


‘For a Public International Relations’, *International Political Sociology* 2(1) 2008: 17–37.

‘What is History in International Relations?’ (with John Hobson), *Millennium* 37(2) 2008: 415–435.
Reprinted in:


**Invited contributions**


**Journal editing: Special issues and forums**


‘Hierarchy in World Politics’ (with Patrick Jackson), Special Issue, *Journal of International Relations and Development* 14(2) 2011: 151–279.


**Book chapters**


Reprinted in:

**Encyclopaedia entries**


**6. Work in Progress**

**Books**


*Liberalism and Revolution*: 5 year project.

*Modes of Power* (with Barry Buzan): 2-3 year project.

**Journal articles**

‘China Through the Lens of Modernity’ (with Barry Buzan): Under review.


‘The New Great Transformation’: In draft.
Edited volumes


Book chapters


‘Revolutions and World Politics’. In: Benjamin de Carvalho, Julia Costa Lopez and Halvard Leira eds., *The Routledge Handbook of Historical International Relations*. Under review.


7. Other research activities

Book reviews and review essays

British Journal of Sociology; Capital and Class; Chinese Sociological Theory; Comparativ; Contemporary Political Theory; Democratic; Democratization; International Affairs; International Sociology Reviews; International Studies Review; Journal of Global History; Millennium; Perspectives on Politics; Political Studies Review.

Invited talks

Aberystwyth University; Australian National University (ANU); Battle of Ideas, London; Bielefeld University; Birkbeck, University of London; Cambridge Festival of Ideas; Chicago University, Beijing Center; City University; Czech Academy of Social Sciences; European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR); European University Institute (EUI); Fudan University; Gaidar Forum, Moscow; Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI); International Institute of Strategic Studies (IISS); Jilin University; Leiden University; London School of Economics (LSE); Manchester University; Model United Nations (London); Northwestern University; Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI); Nottingham University; Oxford Brookes University; Padua University; Pomona College; Queen Mary, University of London; Reading University; Royal Grammar School (RGS), Guildford; Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House); St Andrews University; Sheffield University; Stockholm University; Sussex University; University College London (UCL); Université de Montréal; Université de Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne; University of Birmingham; University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB); University of Cambridge; University of East Anglia; University of Exeter; University of Gothenburg; University of Göttingen; University of International Relations, Beijing; University of Kent; University of Leeds; University of Melbourne; University of Oxford; University of Queensland; University
of Surrey; University of Sydney; University of Wollongong; Warwick University; Yale University; Zhejiang (Zheda) University.

Conference presentations
- Association for the Study of Ethnicity and Nationalism (ASEN): 2005
- Social Science History Association (SSHA): every year from 2010-14, 2017, 2019
- World Congress of Sociology: 2014

8. Funding

German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft): Co-Principal Investigator (PI) on a project establishing a Research Training Group on ‘World Politics: The Emergence of Political Arenas and Modes of Observation in World Society’ at Bielefeld University, €2.8 million (2017-2022).


9. Honours and Prizes


Teaching: Highly Commended, Student-led Teaching Excellence Award (2018); Winner, LSE Education Excellence Award (2016); Nominated, Student-led Teaching Excellence Award (2016); Winner, LSE Major Review Teaching Prize (2010); Elected, Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (2005).

10. Teaching

Courses on:
- Revolutions (3rd year undergraduates; taught postgraduates): ANU, LSE, Goldsmiths
- IR theory/world politics (1st and 2nd year undergraduates; taught postgraduates; PhD students): LSE, Goldsmiths
- Dissertation design (3rd year undergraduates): LSE
- I have also done lots of miscellaneous teaching, from first year undergraduates to PhD students, on topics ranging from research design to populism.

Most recent student survey, LSE, Autumn 2019:

![Survey Results](image)

Postdoctoral supervision

Martin Bayly, 'Imagining New Worlds: Empire and Knowledge in the Learned Institutions of Colonial India, 1873-1955', British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2016-19.
**PhD supervision**


Catherine Hirst, ‘Revolutions and International Order’, 2018-present.


Adrian Rogstad, ‘Stigmatisation and Counter-Stigmatisation in International Relations: The West and Russia, 2000-16’, 2015-19 (with Iver Neumann).


**MPhil/PhD examination**


**11. Professional service**
Book Series

Journals
- Co-Editor: Review of International Studies (2011-15)
- Associate Editor: Journal of International Relations and Development (2007-10)
- Advisory Panel Member: International Affairs (2010-present)

Visiting Positions
- University of Sydney (2018)
- University of California, Santa Barbara (2016)

Editorial Boards
- International Sociology Reviews (2017-present)
- Political Power and Social Theory (2017-present)
- New Perspectives (2016-present)

Member of Executives
- Member-at-Large, International Political Sociology (IPS) Section, ISA (2014-16)
- Trustee, BISA Executive Committee (2009-11)

Prize Committees
- Chair, ‘Francesco Guicciardini Prize for the Best Book in Historical International Relations’, Historical International Relations Section, ISA (2013, 2014)
- Member, ‘Best Book in International Political Sociology’, IPS Section, ISA (2015)
- Member, ‘Best Graduate Student Paper at ISA’, IPS Section, ISA (2014)
- Member, ‘Best Work by an International Scholar’, Global and Transnational Section, American Sociological Association (2012)

Advisory Boards
- Historical International Relations Section, ISA (2013-present)
- International Board of Advisors, Philippine ISA (2017-present)
- Centre for Advanced International Theory, Sussex University (2012-present)
- openDemocracy section on ‘openSecurity’ (2012-15)

External examining/assessments
- BA Politics, Goldsmiths, University of London (2012-15)
- BA International Relations, SOAS, University of London (2013)
- REF external reader, SOAS, University of London (2019-20)
- Tenure Files: University of British Columbia (2017); Richmond, American International University in London (2015); National University Singapore (2014); Pomona College (2014)

Research Groups
- Convenor, LSE Research Group on ‘Global Historical Sociology’ (2012-19)
- Co-Convenor (with Tarak Barkawi and James Morrison), LSE ‘History and Theory’ Group (2014-19)
• Co-Convenor (with Justin Rosenberg), BISA Working Group on ‘Historical Sociology and IR’ (2004-14)

Assessments

**Journals**: African Affairs; Alternatives; American Journal of Sociology; American Sociological Review; British Journal of Politics and International Relations; British Journal of Sociology; Cambridge Review of International Affairs; Canadian Journal of Sociology; Cold War History; Comparative Studies in Society and History; Contemporary Political Theory; Cooperation and Conflict; Ethics and International Affairs; European Journal of International Relations; European Journal of International Security; Global Constitutionalism; Globalizations; Global Society; International Affairs; International Political Sociology; International Politics; International Relations; International Studies Association Compendium; International Studies Review; International Studies Quarterly; International Theory; Journal of Global Security Studies; Journal of International Political Theory; Journal of International Relations and Development; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Power; Millennium; Mobilization; Nations and Nationalism; New Perspectives; Perspectives on Politics; Political Power and Social Theory; Political Studies; Politics; Review of International Political Economy; Review of International Studies; Security Dialogue; Social Forces; Social Identities; Social Science History; Sociological Theory; Sociology Compass; Theoria; Theory and Society; Theory, Culture and Society; Uluslararası İlişkiler; World Politics.

**Books**: Ashgate; Brill; Cambridge University Press; Columbia University Press; Edward Elgar; Oxford University Press; Palgrave; Polity; Pluto; Princeton University Press; Routledge; Sage; University of Chicago Press; University of Michigan Press.

**Funding bodies**: British Academy; Czech Science Foundation; Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC); European Research Council (ERC); Israel Science Foundation: Leverhulme Trust.

**Memberships**
American Sociological Association; British International Studies Association; European International Studies Association; International Studies Association; Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House); Social Science History Association.

**12. LSE Service**

**Department**

• Undergraduate Programme Director/Departmental Tutor (2017-18)
• Programme Director, MSc IR Theory (2007-12; 2013-14; 2015-16)
• Exam Board Chair, MSc IR Theory (2007-12)
• Strategy and Planning Resources Committee (2015-17, 2018-19)
• Teaching and Learning Committee (2009-10; 2015-16)
• Management Committee, Centre for International Studies (2007-18)
• Admissions Selector, MSc IR Theory (2007-10; 2012-14; 2015-16)
• Admissions Selector, MSc IR (2007-8)
• Staff-Student Liaison Committee (2007-12)
• Fred Halliday Distinguished Lecture Series Committee (2010-19; Chair 2017-19)
• Academic Convenor, Fred Halliday Bibliographic Project (2011-13)
• **Selection Committees**: Assistant Professor in African History (2020); Assistant Professor in International Economic Law (2020); Assistant Professor in International History (2017); LSE Fellow in Critical International Relations Theory (2014); LSE Fellow in Contemporary International Relations Theory (2014); LSE Fellow in International Relations (2010).

• **Search Committees**: Montague Burton Professor of International Relations (2017-18); Assistant Professor in International Relations (2015-16); Associate/Assistant Professor in Normative International Relations Theory (2014-15); Assistant Professor in International Relations Theory (2014-15); Montague Burton Professor of International Relations (2011-12).

• **Mentoring**: LSE Fellow in Contemporary IR Theory (2014-16); 20+ Visiting Fellows and Assistant Professorial Research Fellows in LSE IDEAS, the Centre for International Studies, the Middle East Centre, and the US Centre (2007-19).

**School**

- Academic and Planning Resources Committee (APRC) (2017-19)
- Ancillary Programmes and Courses Committee (APCC) (2017-19)
- Management Committee, LSE IDEAS (2007-19)
- Coordinator, Fellows Programme, LSE IDEAS (2012-13)
- Residences Committee (2009-13)
- **Participant**: Moodle 2.0 Planning Group (2011); Website Review Focus Group (2013); Strategic Review Deliberative Group on the Structure, Shape and Composition of the School (2013).

- **Miscellaneous**: Speaker, LSE Office Holders (2008, 2018); Speaker, LSE Festival (2019); Speaker, LSE Widening Participation Conference (2012); Participant, LSE Alumni Events: San Diego (2012), Chicago (2013); Contributor, LSE Review of Books (2012); Speaker, IR Department Cumberland Lodge Conference (2013, 2016); Speaker, Library/TLC Event: ‘Getting Published in Academic Journals’ (2014, 2015); Tutor, LSE External Study Weekend (2010).

**13. Public engagement**


Think-tank engagement (talks, seminars, project development, etc.): Chatham House; Demos; European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR); IISS.

Chair of Trustees: [AL Charitable Trust](#).

**Think-tank publications**:

