

MEMBERSHIP AND QUALIFICATIONS BOARD

Board of Examiners for the Diploma in Counselling Psychology

The Board of Examiners for the Diploma in Counselling Psychology is responsible for the examination of work submitted for the Society's Postgraduate Diploma in Counselling Psychology. The Board is seeking statements of interest for the position of Examiner from Chartered Counselling Psychologists.

Applicants should have two-years experience as a Chartered Counselling Psychologist and experience of examining at master's level. Examiners are expected to attend yearly examiners' workshops, and will receive payment for examining. Expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with the Society's policy.

For further information please contact Marion Newton, Examinations Secretary, on 0116 254 9568 or marnew@bps.org.uk.

Fellowship citation

Dr Ian St James-Roberts

FOR 20 years Ian St James-Roberts has been carrying out research into children's emotional and behavioural problems, and the regulatory systems in child and environment that underlie these problems. Most recently this has led to studies for the Home Office and Youth Justice Board, with the aim of redirecting children showing signs of these problems away from an antisocial career. However, he is best known by far for his research into infant crying, which has increased understanding and informed clinical practice.

His work in infant crying has gained him a national and international reputation, and he is widely quoted in general and specialist publications dealing with this topic. His research encapsulates the best of theory and empirical investigation, yet has been of direct and



immediate use to many parents faced with the exasperating puzzle of a baby who cries persistently for no apparent reason.

In addition to teaching in psychology at master's and doctoral levels in his post at the Thomas Coram Research Unit in London, Professor St James-

Roberts has spoken at conferences in both psychology and paediatrics at some of the major learned institutions in this country and overseas. His work has crossed traditional disciplinary boundaries, and he is the first psychologist to serve on the editorial board of *Archives of Disease in Childhood*, the journal of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

The complex area of persistent infant crying has required various approaches, including epidemiological studies, naturalistic observation, randomised control trials, and longitudinal studies of both endogenous and exogenous factors. Indeed, such is his record that one of his assessors was led to comment that 'no psychologist could tackle the issue of infant crying without drawing heavily on Dr St James-Roberts' work'.

CPD – A project update

FOLLOWING the vote by the membership to make continuing professional development mandatory for Chartered Psychologists, the Standing Committee for CPD (SCCPD) consulted with members on a proposed framework (see February, p.93). Responses were received from 48 individuals and Divisions; feedback from this internal consultation is available at www.bps.org.uk/careers/cpd.cfm.

The SCCPD is currently amending documentation in the light of these responses. We are paying particular attention to: developing facilitative processes that enhance individual

development and public accountability; outlining a range of CPD activities (in particular work-based learning) so that undue emphasis is not placed on courses and formal events; reconciling mismatches between Society-wide and Division-specific CPD requirements; how to make CPD inclusive of all practising psychologists while allowing for some flexibility (e.g. for career breaks); developing support structures; and developing a monitoring process that is economical yet sufficiently robust to support statutory registration.

We are now contacting major employers, government

departments, trade unions and other relevant professional groups to generate their support by outlining the Society's CPD proposals and the reasoning behind them.

After revising our documentation, we propose a nine-month pilot study to evaluate the revised guidelines and materials, starting in January 2003. Once appropriate processes and

documentation have been instituted, the system will be extended to all members holding practising certificates, with longitudinal research to evaluate its effectiveness. However, it is important to note that in the interim all Chartered Psychologists are still mandated to complete their CPD requirements. *Joanna Adler, SCCPD Chair, and Amanda Harris, SCCPD Chair Elect.*

Further updates will be published at the BPS website and in The Psychologist. If you have any questions or comments, please contact the Society's CPD Officer, Victoria Burt, at the Leicester office. E-mail: cpd@bps.org.uk; tel: 0116 252 9532.

SUBSYSTEM NOTICES

NORTHERN IRELAND BRANCH

One-day conference 'Psychological Perspectives of the Troubles: Adults'

Stranmillis University College,
Friday 27 September 2002,
9.00am–4.30pm

This conference is a follow-up to last year's highly successful event 'Children of the Troubles: Growing up in Northern Ireland' and like last year it is modelled on those organised by Jeremy and Joan Harbison in the 1970s and 1980s. Speakers will consider the impact 30 years of political conflict has had on adults' social, psychological and educational development.

There will be an opportunity to join in chaired discussions with the panellists. These discussions will focus on the needs of adults in Northern Ireland as they face a new future.

Two-day conference 'Recent Developments in Forensic Psychology'

The Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast,
Thursday 17 and Friday 18 October 2002

Speakers will include: Professor David Canter, Professor Ray Bull, Professor Max Taylor, Dr Ethel Quayle, Ged Bailes, Dr Mary McMurrin, His Honour Judge David Smyth QC, Mick O'Connell, Ray Wyre, Dr Bill Lockhart, Fred Browne, Jackie Bates-Gaston, Geraldine O'Hare.

Public lecture

Professor David Canter will also give a public lecture entitled

'Mapping Murder' at 7.00pm on Wednesday 16 October in Room 122, The Ashby Building, Queen's University Belfast.

If you would like to attend either of the above conferences, please contact Anne Kerr; Northern Ireland Branch Administrator, School of Psychology, Queen's University Belfast, 18–30 Malone Road, Belfast BT9 5BP; Tel: 028 9027 4129; fax: 028 9027 4160; e-mail: nibpsoffice@yahoo.co.uk. Office hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9.00am–5.00pm, Thursday 9.00am–12.30pm.

DIVISION FOR TEACHERS AND RESEARCHER IN PSYCHOLOGY

Committee members

The Division is keen to recruit new committee members and at present seeks nominations for Chair, Secretary and Vice-Chair (Teaching).

If you would like more information about these posts or about the work of the Division, please contact Pam Newlands (Secretary), E-mail: p.newlands@gcal.ac.uk. Nominations should be sent to Pam at the Psychology Department, Glasgow Caledonian University, Cowcaddens Road, Glasgow G4 0BA, by 16 August.

DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Forthcoming one-day workshops from October 2002

Events up to September were publicised in last month's *Psychologist*.

The Skills and Techniques of Job Analysis, Stirling, 1 Oct (facilitated by Stephen Lucks); Group Facilitation Skills, Newcastle, 5 Oct (Angela Carter); Feedback Skills, 15 Oct (Karen Howard); Qualitative Research Methods, Newcastle, 16 Oct (Heather Höpfl); Conflict in Groups, Sheffield, 16 Oct (Angela Carter); Repertory Grid Techniques, Bristol, 19 Oct (Devi Jankowicz); Career Counselling, Newcastle, 23 Oct (Hazel Howe);

Seeing Things Clearly: A Framework to Help with the Management of Organisational Change, Birmingham, 28 Oct (Kirstin Irving); Occupational Neuropsychology, Stirling, 30 Oct (James Japp); Minimising Adverse Impact and Achieving Fairness in Selection, Sheffield, 14 Nov (Stuart Edgar); Transition Psychology: Human Responses to Trauma and Change, London, 16 Nov (Dai Williams); Interviews – Writing, Structure and Skills, Birmingham, 19 Nov (Kim Stephenson); Repertory Grid Techniques 2, Belfast, 21 Nov (Rosalind Searle).

Contact DOP Workshops Information Line: – 0116 252 9933; e-mail: dopworkshops@bps.org.uk. www.bps.org.uk/dop/workshops.

DIVISION OF HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

Notice of AGM and call for nominations

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 5 September 2002, 5.10pm at Sheffield Hallam University.

Nominations are invited for officers and committee members. The nominations require a proposer and seconder who must be full members of the Division, and the consent of the nominee to accept office, if elected, must be obtained in writing.

Nomination forms can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary c/o the BPS Leicester office. The deadline by which nominations should be received is Friday 16 August 2002.

2002 Annual Conference

4–6 September, Sheffield Hallam University and University of Sheffield

This year's theme is 'Facilitating healthier societies'. The keynote speakers are Professors Robert Plomin, Institute of Psychiatry, UK and Susan Folkman, University of California, USA.

Registration rates are lower if applicants are Division of Health Psychology members. It is

Spearman Medal 2003 – invitation for nominations

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Annual Conference 2003 satellite workshops – invitation for bids

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recommended that you register by **24 August 2002**.

The draft programme, registration form and accommodation details are available from the conference website

www.ardenarmitage.supanet.com/DH P2002.htm, the Division of Health Psychology website www.welcome.to/healthpsychology or by post from the Conference Office, The British Psychological Society, St Andrews House, 48 Princess Road East, Leicester LE1 7DR. Tel. 0116 252 9555; fax 0116 255 7123; e-mail conferences@bps.org.uk.

TRANSPERSONAL PSYCHOLOGY SECTION

AGM and call for nominations

The AGM of the Section will be held on Friday 13 September 2002 at the Cober Hill Conference Centre, Cloughton, Scarborough, during the Sixth Annual Conference. Nominations are invited for Chair, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer. Nominations require a proposer and seconder who must be members of the Section and the

consent of the nominee to accept office if elected, must be obtained in writing. All nominees should provide a biographical statement of 100 to 150 words.

Nomination forms have been circulated separately to all Section members.

Sixth Annual Conference 13–16 September 2002, Cober Hill, Cloughton, Scarborough

Keynote speakers include: Brian Bates (University of Sussex); Dr Sam Parnia (Southampton General Hospital); Professor David Fontana (Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Cardiff University).

NORTH WEST OF ENGLAND BRANCH

Evening lecture, AGM and buffet supper

Tuesday 22 October 2002

The committee of the North West of England Branch invite you to join them for their annual evening lecture, AGM and buffet supper. Everyone is welcome. There is no charge for this event, but let us know that you will be attending so

that we can cater for you.

Lecture topic: 'Why do we worry?'
Guest Speaker: Professor Graham Davey, BPS President

The AGM of the Branch will take place at Liverpool University in the Leslie Hearnshaw Lecture Theatre, Dept of Psychology, Eleanor Rathbone Building, University of Liverpool, Bedford Street South, Liverpool L69 7ZA. Nominations are invited for officers and committee members.

Lecture: 6pm
AGM: 7pm
Supper: 7.45pm

For further information please contact Louise Polednik, Honorary Secretary, c/o The Occupational Psychology Group, Murlain Business Centre, Union Street, Chester CH1 1QP. Tel: 01244 357262; e-mail: lpolednik@ramseyhall.com.

'New Laws for Forensic Psychology'

One-day conference on Saturday 9 November 2002 at Didsbury Campus, Manchester Metropolitan University, 799 Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester M20 2RR

Hosted in conjunction with the Department of Psychology and Speech Pathology at the The Manchester Metropolitan University.

A number of key issues and the latest research will be discussed. There will be professionals and researchers, including, Peter Edwards, Peter Kinderman, Steve Myers, Sam Warner, Mark Tasker, Liz Alexander, Paul Okojie discussing: human rights and new legislation; the Sex Offender Register; child protection and revised legislation; the new Mental Health Act; personality disorders and new legislation; the Mental Health Act and learning disability

Prices are £30.00 for the whole day, which includes refreshments and a buffet lunch. A discounted rate for students is available at £10.00 (no lunch is provided).

If you wish to attend, please contact Janine Acott, Commercial Office, Manchester Metropolitan University, Elizabeth Gaskell Site, Hathersage Road, Manchester M13 0JA.

MEETING DATES

COUNCIL

Saturday 19 October 2002

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Friday 6 September 2002

Friday 18 October 2002 (pre-Council)

Friday 29 November 2002

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

Friday 13 September 2002

Saturday 9 November 2002

RESEARCH BOARD

Friday 25 October 2002

(followed by Visiting Psychologists Committee)

MEMBERSHIP AND QUALIFICATIONS BOARD

Friday 20 September 2002

Friday 8 November 2002

PUBLICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Monday 9 September 2002

Friday 13 December 2002

FELLOWSHIPS COMMITTEE

Friday 4 October 2002

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Tuesday 15 October 2002

GRADUATE QUALIFICATIONS ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

Thursday 12 September 2002

Thursday 14 November 2002

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday 5 September 2002

Thursday 7 November 2002

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE PROMOTION OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Monday 9 September 2002

THE PSYCHOLOGIST POLICY COMMITTEE

Friday 11 October 2002

FUTURE SOCIETY CONFERENCES, ETC.

London Lectures –

Monday 9 December 2002

Annual Conference –

13–15 March 2003

DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Urgent: to all those who have outstanding applications for full (now practitioner) membership of the Division of Occupational Psychology and made application before October 1999

In October 1999 the Division of Occupational Psychology changed its entry requirements for full membership of the Division. If your initial application for full membership (now known as 'practitioner' status) was received before that date, it is still eligible for consideration under the 'old' rules.

As the current requirements for practitioner status have been in operation for some time, it is necessary for all old-style applications to be completed by **31 December 2002**. By this date applicants must have completed the necessary work, and submitted their application supported by your two referees who will have countersigned those parts of your work they are content to endorse. Anyone failing to meet this deadline, or whose submission fails to meet the full requirements, will be required to apply under the terms of the new rules as defined in *Guidelines on Becoming a Chartered Occupational Psychologist 2002*.

For further information, please contact Zeana Terry or Val Beasley on 0116 254 9568, or e-mail zeater@bps.org.uk or valbee@bps.org.uk.

Don Brennan, Chair of Board of Examiners, Division of Occupational Psychology

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Board of Examiners in Occupational Psychology

The Board of Examiners in Occupational Psychology is concerned with the assessment of the Society's Postgraduate Certificate in Occupational Psychology and with overseeing the assessment of supervised practice through candidates' logbooks. The Board of Examiners also acts as the membership committee of the Division of Occupational Psychology (DOP). The Board is seeking statements of interest for the position of Chair of the Board of Examiners in Occupational Psychology.

The Board would welcome statements of interest from Chartered Occupational Psychologists who are full practitioner members of the DOP with a knowledge and understanding of the processes of membership, examinations, and affiliate (practitioners in training) activities in the DOP. The chair must have good decision-making, facilitation and communication skills, and will act as the Board's advocate on other committees and boards.

The appointment is made for a three-year term. This position is not paid, although, in accordance with the Society's policy, travel and subsistence expenses will be reimbursed. The Board generally meets five times a year in London. The Chair is also expected to represent the Board of Examiners on the Membership and Qualifications Board, which usually meets four times a year also in London.

A job description, person specification and statement of interest form are available from Jean Duckworth (0116 252 9518 or jeaduc@bps.org.uk) at the Society's Leicester office. The deadline for receipt of completed statements of interest is 6 September 2002.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

listed by deadline

1 September 2002

Leverhulme Trust. Research interchange grants; pilot project grants; large project grants; and standard project grants. Contact: J. Cater, Tel: 020 7822 6952, e-mail: jcater@leverhulme.org.uk, website: www.leverhulme.org.uk

MRC. Studentships and Fellowships. Contact: Margaret Bryant, Research Careers Manager. Tel: 020 7636 5422 ext 6249; e-mail: Margaret.Bryant@headoffice.mrc.ac.uk; website: www.mrc.ac.uk

National Institute of Mental Health. Affiliative Behaviours and HIV/STD Prevention and Alcohol and HIV/AIDS project grants. Contact: Extramural Outreach and Information Resources Office. Tel: 00 1 301 435 0714; fax: 00 1 301 480 8443; e-mail: asknih@odrockm1.od.nih.gov; website: www.nih.gov/grants/oe.htm

2 September 2002

Human Frontier Science Program. Long-term fellowship to support international co-operation in neuroscience. Contact: Grants Administrator. Tel: 00 33 388 215121; website: www.hfsp.org

PPP Foundation. Seminars and conferences grant programme. Tel: 020 7307 2622; e-mail: info@pppfoundation.org.uk

13 September 2002

ESRC. Research Programme on Environment and Human Behaviour project grants. Contact: Lisa Hill. Tel: 01793 413000; e-mail: lisa.hill@esrc.ac.uk; website: www.esrc.ac.uk

15 September 2002

NERC. Fellowships. Contact: Dr J.H. Baker. Tel: 01793 411564; website: www.nerc.ac.uk

18 September 2002

Joseph Rowntree Foundation. Parenting Research Initiative. Contact: Alex O'Neil. Tel: 01904 629241; website: www.jrf.org.uk

30 September 2002

Anna-Monika Foundation. Funds for research into depression. Contact: F.A. Henn. website: www.zi-mannheim.de/ams/e/eprize.htm

open date schemes

See January and May issues.

A searchable database containing full details of the various national and international funding opportunities for psychologists can be found on the Society's website at www.bps.org.uk/careers/funding.cfm

If you are a grant-awarding body, please e-mail Lisa Morrison (lismor@bps.org.uk) with details of your scheme for inclusion in this column.