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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Evidence-based practice; Accessible research; Systematic reviews; Social psychology; Social Identity theory; Public health; Criminology; Statistical analysis; Research ethics; Meta-analysis; Online communities; Radicalisation and Extremism; Public health.

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) – First class honours, GPA: 6.8

University of Queensland, School of Psychology (February 2016-November 2019)

Thesis: At the Heart of the Gap: Social Identity and Health in Indigenous Australians

SKILLS

- Proficient in statistical software including SPSS, STATA and R
- Critical analysis, screening and synthesis of published research in line with systematic review methodological and conceptual criteria, especially regarding evidence-based practice and impact evaluations
- Translation of research findings into actionable policy and practice recommendations
- Organisation, synthesis and preparation of research evidence
- Experimental and cross-sectional research methodology
- Highly effective at locating obscure information, resources and grey literature online
- Microsoft Office formatting and document preparation
- Management and processing of complex citation data drawn from inconsistent online sources
- Structure of complex Boolean search queries for targeted searches
- AI and Machine Learning tools for task efficiency and higher-level text analysis
- Report structure, writing and formatting, including the synthesis of diverse research findings
- English, first language

RESEARCH EMPLOYMENT

Research Assistant: Prevention of gender-based violence

Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety

October 2023 - Ongoing

- Assorted systematic review tasks including Document screening, Data extraction, Report preparation, Methodological critique, Literature retrieval.

Research Technician: Organisational Justice and Mental health - Systematic Review

School of Criminology, Griffith University, Brisbane

July 2023 - Ongoing

- Design, execution and screening of a search regarding organisational justice and wellbeing in police populations.

Research Technician: Criminal justice interventions for preventing terrorism and radicalisation: An evidence and gap map

School of Criminology, Griffith University, Brisbane

June 2022 – October 2023

- Design and execution of a complex search to capture the state of knowledge regarding the effectiveness of criminal justice interventions targeting terrorism and radicalisation
- Design and execution of a thorough, iteratively developed coding structure for the extraction of key evaluation data in preparation for analysis and visualisation
- Design and construction of an interactive evidence and gap map using EPPI Reviewer/Mapper to synthesise and present a highly diverse array of findings across all arms of the criminal justice system

Research Assistant: PIRA Database

School of Social Science, University of Queensland, Brisbane

September 2020 - 2021

- Profiles of Individuals Radicalised in Australia (PIRA) is a database of individuals who have been radicalised, consisting of over 200 personality, historical and criminological variables
- My role involved undertaking extensive searches for publicly available content, and subsequent data extraction to build complex profiles of a range of radicalised offenders (far right, far left, Islamist etc.)
- Quantitative and qualitative coding of data in line with a rigorous coding structure

Research Technician: Global Policing Database project

School of Social Science, University of Queensland, Brisbane

February 2018 – June 2023

- Utilising Systematic Review methodology to contribute to the Global Policing Database
- Contributed to targeted reviews, with topics including street-level drug enforcement, child exploitation material offending, road safety, problem-oriented policing, terrorism, and body-worn cameras

Research Assistant: Parenting capacity systematic review

School of Criminology, Griffith University, Brisbane

March 2020 – June 2021

- Design and execution of complex search string in academic and grey literature databases, Screening of documents for relevance to the review
- Determination of the scope and criteria for inclusion

Research Assistant: Domestic violence systematic review

School of Social Science, University of Queensland, Brisbane

June 2018 – August 2018

- Screening and written synthesis of literature for a report on domestic and family violence interventions for the state government

Research Assistant: Corrective services experimental study

School of Social Science, University of Queensland, Brisbane

February 2018 – January 2019

- Synthesis of literature to form an introduction and rationale for a state corrective services experimental study investigating an intervention to increase parole meeting attendance

PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

Sales consultant 2017 - *Concentrix, Brisbane*

Manager 2015 – 2017 - *Buderim French Bakery, Buderim, Sunshine Coast* - Manager, Barista, Baking, Team management

Food and Beverage Staff 2014 - *Sheraton 4 Points, Brisbane*

Fundraiser 2014 - *Pareto, Brisbane*

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

Sydes, M., Hine, L., Higginson, A., **McEwan, J.**, Dugan, L., & Mazerolle, L. (2023). Criminal justice interventions for preventing terrorism and radicalisation: An evidence and gap map. *Campbell Systematic Reviews*, 19, e1366. <https://doi.org/10.1002/cl2.1366>

Mazerolle, L., Eggins, E., Sydes, M., Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, Norrie, G., and Somerville, A. (2018). Criminal justice responses to domestic and family violence: A rapid review of the evaluation literature. *Report prepared for the Domestic and Family Violence Death Review Unit*. Retrieved from https://www.courts.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0006/586185/systematic-review-of-criminal-justice-responses-to-domestic-and-family-violence.pdf

Sydes, M., & **McEwan, J.** (2018). Targeting technical violations through SMS: the Parole Appointment Reminder trial (Internal publication). Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Eggins, E., Mazerolle, L., Higginson, A., Hine, L., Walsh, K., Sydes, M., **McEwan, J.**, Roetman, S., Hassall, G., Wallis, R., & Williams, J. (2019). Criminal justice responses to child exploitation material offending: A systematic review and evidence and gap map. *Australian Institute of Criminology*.

Mazerolle, L., Eggins, E., Bennett, S., Roetman, S., Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, ... & Hockey, A. (2019). Road policing and level of centralisation: A rapid review of the evaluation literature. Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Mazerolle, L., Eggins, E., Bennett, S., Roetman, S., Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, ... & Hockey, A. (2019). Policing alcohol impaired driving. A rapid review of the evaluation literature. Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Eggins, E., Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, Hassall, G., Roetman, S., Roetman, S., & Mazerolle, L. (2020). Child safety inventions: A rapid scoping review of the evaluation literature (phase I & II). Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Eggins, E., Hine, L., Mazerolle, L., **McEwan, J.**, Hassall, G., Roetman, S., ... & Bevis, K. (2020). Mental health co-response models: A rapid review of the evaluation literature. Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Eggins, E., Mazerolle, L., Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, Hassall, G., Roetman, S., & Roetman, S. (2020). Policing child sex offenders and offending. Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Eggins, E., Mazerolle, L., Higginson, A., Hine, L., Walsh, K., Sydes, M., **McEwan, J.**, ... & Williams, J. (2021). Criminal justice responses to child sexual abuse material offending: A systematic review and evidence and gap map (Trends and issues paper no. 623). Australian Institute of Criminology. https://www.aic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-03/ti623_criminal_justice_responses_to_csam_offending.pdf

Hine, L., **McEwan, J.**, Eggins, E., Seipel, N., Hassall, G., & Mazerolle, L. (2021). Policing approaches prior to the point of arrest, charge or prosecution: A rapid review of the evaluation literature. Brisbane, Queensland: University of Queensland.

Hine, L., Eggins, E., Mazerolle, L., & **McEwan, J.** (2022). Policing approaches prior to the point of arrest, charge, or prosecution: A rapid review of the evaluation literature. *Police Science: Australia & New Zealand Journal of Evidence Based Policing*, 6(2), 17-19.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Dean's Commendation for Academic Excellence - 2016, 2018, 2019

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Applied Research Crime and Justice Conference 2020. Griffith Criminology Institute: Brisbane. 12-13 February

Australasian Society for Philosophy and Psychology 2022. University of Queensland, Queensland Brain Institute: Brisbane. 17-19 February.

The Social Identity & Groups Network (SIGN) Southern hemisphere winter school 2022. North Stradbroke Island, University of Queensland. 5-10 June.

REFEREES

Elizabeth Eggins

Research Fellow - School of Social Science, University of Queensland

Internship Director - Global Policing Database Internship Program

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*Capacity: I worked as a research assistant and technician for Elizabeth Eggins for several years.

Lorelei Hine

Email: lorelei.hine@anrows.org.au

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*Capacity: Lorelei Hine supervised me in a large proportion of my research work up until late 2022.

Dr Michelle Sydes

Lecturer – Griffith School of Criminology and Criminal Justice

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*Capacity: Michelle Sydes has been my primary work supervisor since mid-2022, in my work in Terrorism and Police Misconduct.