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EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

1982 - 1985: B.A. Degree in Social Anthropology with First Class Honours, London School of Economics, University of London

1986 - 1990: PhD Degree in Social Anthropology, King's College, University of Cambridge

APPOINTMENTS

2006 - present: Statutory Chair in Social Anthropology and Professorial Fellow of Magdalen College, University of Oxford

1993 - 2006: Lecturer, Reader, Professor of Anthropology, Queen's University Belfast

1990 - 1993: Research Fellow and Director of Studies in Archaeology and Anthropology, Trinity Hall, University of Cambridge

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Topics:

The evolution of social complexity, religion, ritual, and warfare.

Methods:

Ethnographic fieldwork, surveys, controlled psychological experiments (child and adult studies), public goods games, in vivo behavioural tracking, construction and analysis of archaeological, historical, and ethnographic databases, agent based modelling, neuroimaging, semantic network analysis.

ACADEMIC MANAGEMENT

University of Oxford:

Director of the Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology (2012-present)

Founding Director of the Centre for Anthropology and Mind (2006-present)

Director of Academic Development in Human Sciences (2009-2010)

Head of the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography (2006- 2009)

Head of the Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology (2006-2008)

Queen's University Belfast:

Founding Director of the Institute of Cognition and Culture (2004-2006)

Director of Postgraduate Studies (and Associate Dean) in the Faculty of Humanities (2004-2006)

Chair of the Faculty Postgraduate Research Committee (2004-2006)
Chair, School Postgraduate Committee and coordinator of postgraduate study and admissions (1997-2003)

SERVICE ON EXTERNAL PROFESSIONAL BODIES

2016- 2017: Member of the Steering Committee of the Cultural Evolution Society

2012 - present: Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Evolution Institute

2007 - 2009 and 2010 – 2012: Member of the International Advisory Board at the John Templeton Foundation

2006 - 2012: Member-At-Large of the International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

2006 - 2008: Assessor and Member of the Research Grants Board of the Economic and Social Research Council

2006 - present: Member of Governing Body, Magdalen College, Oxford (and member of various other college committees)

2005: Expert Consultant on the European NEST-PATHFINDER funding programme in Brussels, Belgium (July and October)

2005: Member of the core committee for the AHRC strategic research programme bid on 'Interactive Minds' convening in Edinburgh and London

2004 - 2006: Member of Council of the Royal Anthropological Institute

2002 - 2005: External Examiner for taught postgraduate (MSc) courses in Cognitive Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, London School of Economics

2001 - 2004: External Examiner for all taught postgraduate (Mphil) courses, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge

1994 - 1998: Member of the Executive Committee of the ASA, with special responsibility for ASA publications and liaison with HEFCE

1990 - 1993: Member of Governing Body, Trinity Hall, Cambridge (and member of various other college committees)

A regular advisor on promotions and awards at anthropology departments in the UK, USA, and Europe I also served on numerous doctoral examination committees at home and abroad.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2012 Harold Schlosberg Lecturer, Brown University

2008 Weigand Lecture, University of Toronto

2006: Honorary MA Degree, University of Oxford

2006 Darwin Day Lecture, Dublin

2003-2005 British Academy Research Reader
2005 Marrett Lecture, Oxford
2005 Matthew Vassar Lecturer, Vassar College, New York
2001 Lord Lister Award Lecture, British Association for the Advancement of Science

HONORARY AFFILIATIONS

2017 - present Affiliate Researcher, Department of Behavioral Science, Center for Experimental Research in Social Sciences, Hokkaido University, Japan
2006 - present Honorary Professorship, Queen's University Belfast

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

American Anthropological Association
Anthropological Association of Ireland
Association for Psychological Science
Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK and Commonwealth
Cultural Evolution Society
European Association for Social Anthropologists
European Society for Oceanists
Royal Anthropological Institute
International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

EDITORIAL BOARDS

2016 – present: Advisory Board, *Emotions: History, Culture, Society*, Journal of the ARC Centre of Excellence for the History of Emotions (Australia)
2003 – 2006: Founding Co-Editor *Cognitive Science of Religion Series*, AltaMira Press
2000 – present: Member of the International Advisory Board, *Journal of Cognition and Culture*
1996 – 1999: Member of Editorial Board, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute*
2011 – 2012: Senior Editor, *Cognitive Science of Religion Series*, Berlin Academic

CURRENT GRANTS

2016 – 2021: European Research Council Advanced Grant (€2.5 million).
Principal Investigator: Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Ritual Modes: Divergent modes of ritual, social cohesion, prosociality, and conflict.

2017 – 2020: Templeton World Charity Foundation Grant (£1.5 million).
Principal Investigator: Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Cognitive and Cultural Foundations of Religion and Morality

2016 – 2018: Oxford Martin School. Principal Investigators: Dominic Johnson, David Macdonald, and Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Natural Governance Project

PREVIOUS GRANTS

2015 – 2018: *European Commission H2020 (€4 million)* Principal Investigator: Rob Brennan; Co-Investigators: Jim Davies, Harvey Whitehouse, Sebastian Hellemann, Andreas Koller, Christian Dirschl and Arkadiusz Marciniak. Title: ‘ALIGNED: Quality-centric Software and Data Engineering’.

2011 – 2017: *Economic and Social Research Council (£3.2 million)* Principal Investigator: Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Ritual, Community, and Conflict

2014 – 2017: *John Templeton Foundation (\$1 million USD)* Principal Investigator: Peter Turchin; Co-Investigators – Thomas Currie, Harvey Whitehouse, Peter Peregrine, Kevin Feeney and Douglas White. Title: Axial-Age Religions and the Z-Curve of Human Egalitarianism

2012 – 2017: *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada (\$3 million CAD)* Principal Investigator: Edward Slingerland ; Co-Investigators : Harvey Whitehouse, Joseph Henrich, Ara Norenzayan, Mark Collard, Armin Geertz. Title: The Evolution of Religion and Morality

2014 – 2015 : *John Fell OUP Research Fund (£59,188)* Principal Investigator: Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Mapping the Morals Domains: The development of a new scale for cross-cultural research

2012 – 2015: *John Templeton Foundation (£1 million)* Principal Investigators: Harvey Whitehouse, David Sloan Wilson, and Jon Lanman. Title: Religion’s Impact on Human Life : integrating proximate and ultimate perspectives

2012 – 2015 : *John Fell OUP Research Fund (£68,047)* Principal Investigator: Harvey Whitehouse. Title: Identifying the intra-group causes of inter-group conflict: Toward an interdisciplinary framework and research centre

2009 - 2011: *McDonnell Foundation Research Grant (\$24,500)* and *John Fell Fund Grant (£7,500)*. Co-Investigators: Whitehouse and Legare. Title: ‘The development of teleological and causal reasoning about ritualized action.’

2009 - 2011: *John Templeton Foundation Planning Grant (\$160,180)*. Principal investigators: Whitehouse and David Sloan Wilson.

2007 - 2010: *European Commission NEST Pathfinder Grant (€2 million)*. Principal Investigator: Whitehouse. Title: Explaining Religion

2004 - 2007: *John Templeton Foundation*. Principal Investigator: Whitehouse. Title: The Cognitive Science of Religion Project

2003 - 2005: *National Science Foundation* (joint grant with Harvard). Title: Ritual and Cognition Project

2003 - 2005: *British Academy Research Readership*. Principal Investigator: Whitehouse.

2000 - 2004: *British Academy Networks Project Grant*. Principal Investigator: Whitehouse. Title: Modes of Religiosity.

1990 - 1993: *Research Fellowship*, Trinity Hall, University of Cambridge

1986 - 1990: *ESRC Student Competition Award*, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge

1985 - 1986: *Lewis Henry Morgan Fellowship*, University of Rochester, New York

CONSULTANCIES

2016: *BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd./Defence Science and Technology Laboratory* Consultancy Agreement to provide a report on 'Understanding the Moral Component of Conflict: An Interdisciplinary Perspective on the Morality of Intergroup Conflict'.

2016: *Kindness.Org*. Consultancy Agreement to provide a systematic review of the kindness literature.

2015 – 2017: *BBC Rituals Series*, Consultancy Agreement to provide advice and expertise for a four-part documentary series. Ref: OUC 12569

PUBLICATIONS

Books and edited collections

Harvey Whitehouse (1995). *Inside the Cult: religious innovation and transmission in Papua New Guinea*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 234pp, ISBN 0-19-827981-7 (cloth), 0-19-828051-3 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse (2000). *Arguments and Icons: divergent modes of religiosity*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 204pp, ISBN 0-19-823414-7 (cloth), 0-19-823415-5 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse (ed.) (2001). *The Debated Mind: evolutionary psychology versus ethnography*, Oxford: Berg, 229pp, ISBN 0-85-973427-8 (cloth), 0-85-973432-4 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse (2004). *Modes of Religiosity: a cognitive theory of religious transmission*, Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, 208pp, ISBN 0-7591-0614-2 (cloth), 0-7591-0615-0 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse and James Laidlaw (eds.) (2004). *Ritual and Memory: Towards a Comparative Anthropology of Religion*, Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, 224pp, ISBN 0-7591-0616-9 (cloth), 0-7591-0617-7 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse and Luther H. Martin (eds.) (2004). *Theorizing Religions Past: Archaeology, History, and Cognition*, Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, 256pp, ISBN 0-7591-0620-7 (cloth), 0-7591-0621-5 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse and Luther H. Martin (eds.) (2004). *Implications of Cognitive Science for the Study of Religion*, Special Issue of *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion*, Vol.16, No.3, ISSN 0943-3058 (print), 1570-0682 (online)

Harvey Whitehouse and Robert N. McCauley (eds.) (2005). *The Psychological and Cognitive Foundations of Religiosity*, Special Issue of *Journal of Cognition and Culture*, Vol.5 Nos.1-2, ISSN 1567-7095 (print), 1568-5373 (online)

Harvey Whitehouse and Robert N. McCauley (eds.) (2005). *Mind and Religion: Psychological and Cognitive Foundations of Religiosity*, Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, 248pp, ISBN 0-7591-0618-5 (cloth), 0-7591-0619-3 (paper)

Harvey Whitehouse and Luther H. Martin (eds.) (2005). *History, Memory, and Cognition*, Special Issue of *Historical Reflections/ Reflexions Historiques*, Vol.31, No.2, ISSN 0315-7997

Harvey Whitehouse and Laidlaw, James (eds.) (2007). *Religion, Anthropology and Cognitive Science*, Durham: Carolina Academic Press, ISBN 1-59460-107-0

Harvey Whitehouse (In Prep.) *Ritual, Community and Conflict*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Status: contracted, most of the text drafted, anticipated submission date: Dec 2016.

Refereed Journal Articles

Harvey Whitehouse (1989). The Oscillating Equilibrium of Production among the Mali Baining. *Research in Melanesia*, Vol. 13: pp 62-67.

Harvey Whitehouse (1991). Cargoism, Millennialism, and Idealism. *Cambridge Anthropology*, Vol. 15, No. 1: pp 70-84.

Harvey Whitehouse (1991). Leaders and Logics, Persons and Politics. *History and Anthropology*, Vol. 6, No. 1: pp 103-124.

Harvey Whitehouse (1992). Memorable Religions: transmission, codification, and change in divergent Melanesian contexts. *Man* (N.S.), Vol. 27, No. 3: pp 777-797. Reprinted in Panayotis Pachis and Donald Wiebe (eds.) 2014 *In the Sights of History and the Cognitive Sciences*. Equinox Publishing, United Kingdom. p. 479-510.

Harvey Whitehouse (1994). Strong Words and Forceful Winds: religious experience and political process in Melanesia. *Oceania*, Vol.65, No. 1: pp 40-58.

Harvey Whitehouse (1996). Jungles and Computers: neuronal group selection and the epidemiology of representations. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (N.S.), Vol. 1, No. 1: pp 99-116.

Harvey Whitehouse (1996). Rites of Terror: emotion, metaphor, and memory in Melanesian initiation cults. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (N.S.), Vol. 2, No. 4: pp 703-715. Reprinted in John Corrigan (ed.) 2004 *Religion and Emotion: Approaches and Interpretations*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Harvey Whitehouse (1998). From Mission to Movement: the impact of Christianity on patterns of political association in Papua New Guinea. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* (N.S.), Vol. 4, No. 1: pp 43-63.

- Harvey Whitehouse** (2000). Ordine e disordine nella religione Melanesian. *Etnosistemi* Vol. 7: pp 28-36.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2001). Transmissive Frequency, Ritual, and Exegesis. *Journal of Cognition and Culture*, Vol.1, No.2: pp 167-182.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2002). Religious Reflexivity and Transmissive Frequency. *Social Anthropology*, Vol. 10, No. 1: pp 91-103.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2002). Conjectures, Refutations, and Verification: towards a testable theory of modes of religiosity. *Journal of Ritual Studies*, Vol. 16, No. 2: pp 44-59.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2002). Modes of Religiosity: a cognitive explanation of the sociopolitical dynamics of religion. *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion*, Vol. 14: pp 293-315.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2004). Modes of Religiosity and the Cognitive Science of Religion. *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion*, Vol.16, No.3: pp 321-335.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2005). Cognitive Historiography: When Science Meets Art. *Historical Reflections/ Reflexions Historiques*, Vol.31, No.2: pp 307-318.
- Robert N. McCauley and **Harvey Whitehouse** (2005). New Frontiers in the Cognitive Science of Religion. *Journal of Cognition and Culture*, Vol. 5, Nos.1-2: pp 1-13.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2006). Reasoning about dead agents: a cross-cultural perspective. [Commentary] *Behavioural and Brain Sciences*. 29(5), 485-486.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2008). Cognitive evolution and religion: Cognition and religious evolution. *Issues in Ethnology and Anthropology*, 3(3), 35-47.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2008). Modes of Religiosity. *The Council of Societies for the Study of Religion Bulletin*, vol. 37, No. 4: pp 108-112.
- Emma Cohen, Jonathan A. Lanman, Robert N. McCauley and **Harvey Whitehouse** (2008). Common Criticisms of the Cognitive Science of Religion – Answered. *The Council of Societies for the Study of Religion Bulletin*, Vol. 37, No. 4: pp 112-115.
- McKay, Ryan, Charles Efferson, **Harvey Whitehouse**, and Ernst Fehr (2010). Wrath of God: religious primes and punishment. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences*, Vol. 278: pp 1858-1863.
- Atkinson, Quentin D. and **Harvey Whitehouse** (2011). The cultural morphospace of ritual form; Examining modes of religiosity cross-culturally. *Evolution and Human Behavior*. Vol. 32, No.1: pp 50-62.
- Harvey Whitehouse** (2011). The Coexistence Problem in Psychology, Anthropology, and Evolutionary Theory. *Human Development*, Vol 54: pp 191-199.

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Harvey Whitehouse, Brian McQuinn, Michael Buhrmester, and William B. Swann (2014). Brothers in Arms: Libyan revolutionaries bond like Family. *Proceedings of*

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Juan Jiménez, Ángel Gómez, Michael D. Buhrmester, Alexandra Vázquez, **Harvey Whitehouse**, William B. Swann, Jr. (2015). The Dynamic Identity Fusion Index (DIFI): A new continuous measure of identity fusion for Web-based questionnaires. *Social Science Computer Review*. DOI: 10.1177/0894439314566178

Legare, Cristine H., Nicole J. Wen, Patricia A. Herrmann, and **Harvey Whitehouse** (2015). Imitative flexibility and the development of cultural learning. *Cognition*. Vol 142: pp. 351-361. DOI: 10.1016/j.cognition.2015.05.020

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Currie, Thomas E., Amy Bogaard, Rudolf Cesaretti, Neil R. Edwards, Pieter François, Phillip B. Holden, Daniel Hoyer, Andrey Korotayev, Joe Manning, Juan Carlos Moreno Garcia, Oluwole K. Oyebamiji, Cameron Petrie, Peter Turchin, **Harvey Whitehouse**, and Alice Williams (2015). Agricultural Productivity in Past Societies: Toward an Empirically Informed Model for Testing Cultural Evolutionary Hypotheses. *Cliodynamics: The Journal of Quantitative History and Cultural Evolution* 6(1): 24-56.

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McKay, Ryan T., and **Harvey Whitehouse** (2016). Religion promotes a love for thy neighbor. But how big is the neighbourhood? [Commentary] *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*. 39. doi: 10.1017/S0140525X15000503

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2017. “Extremism: A Warning From History” Cumberland Lodge, 70th Anniversary Conference, Windsor Great Park, Berkshire (5 June).
2017. “The Dark Side to Loving a Group” Televised Public Lecture at the Engelsberg Ironworks, Sweden (9 June).
2017. “Ritual, Community, and Conflict” Public Lecture. Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, St Edmund’s College, Cambridge (21 November).

Seminar, Workshop and Conference Presentations

- 1989 “Millenarian Movements and Cultural Transformations,” Social Anthropology Workshop, King's College, Cambridge (4 December)
- 1990 “The Cart and the Horse: accounting for Melanesian cargo movements”, Departmental Seminar, Dept. of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge (30 November)
- 1991 “Memory, Religion, and Change: two extreme cases from Papua New Guinea”, Intercollegiate Research Seminar in Anthropology, Dept. of Anthropology, London School of Economics (25 October)
- 1991 “From Possession to Apotheosis”, International Conference in Honour of Sir Raymond Firth, London School of Economics (19-21 December)
- 1992 “Seeking the Spirit of Authority: the role of attribution in possession and inspired leadership”, 21st Annual Meeting of the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania, New Orleans, USA (19-23 February)
- 1992 “The Politics of Revelation: the Pomio Kivung and the Taro Cult as alternative politico-religious regimes”, First European Colloquium on Pacific Studies, Nijmegen, Netherlands (17-19 December)
- 1993 “Religions of Fear, and Religions of Routine”, Departmental Seminar, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Oxford (5 March)

1993 “Nationalism and the Indigenous Movements of Papua New Guinea”, Spring Conference of the Anthropological Association of Ireland, Queen's University of Belfast (7-8 May)

1993 “The Role of Terror in Melanesian Religion”, Departmental Seminar, Dept. of Social Anthropology, Queen's University of Belfast (26 October)

1993 “Some thoughts on the relationship between cognition, emotion, and politics in Melanesian religion”, Departmental Seminar, Dept. of Social Anthropology, University of Manchester (22 November)

1993 “Modes of Ritual Action”, Workshop: Cognition and Interaction in Ritual Performance, King's College, Cambridge (6-7 December)

1995 “Neuronal Group Selection and the Epidemiology of Representations”, ESRC Research Seminar on Memory and Social Transmission, Queen's University of Belfast (16 May).

1996 “The Pomio Kivung of East New Britain Province, PNG”, 25th Annual Meeting of the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania, Hawaii, USA (7-11 February)

1996 “The Role of Missionization in Changing Patterns of Cognition and Political Association in Papua New Guinea”, Third Conference of the European Society of Oceanists, Copenhagen, Denmark (13-15 December)

1997 “From Mission to Movement”, Departmental Seminar, Department of Social Anthropology, University of St. Andrews (27 February)

1997 “Modes of Religiosity and Political Evolution in Melanesia”, Departmental Seminar, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Edinburgh (28 February)

1997 “Arguments and Icons”, Nouvelle Approches de la Tradition, Ministère de la Recherche, Laboratoire d'Anthropologie Sociale, CNRS, Paris, France (21 March)

1997 “Christianity and 'Cargo Cults' in Melanesia”, Words and Things: workshop on the anthropology of Christianity, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Manchester (16 May)

1997 “Mind, Evolution, and Cultural Transmission”, Nouvelle Approches de la Tradition, Ministère de la Recherche, Laboratoire d'Anthropologie Sociale, CNRS, Paris, France (15 December)

1998 “The Organization and Transmission of Cosmology in Melanesia and Amazonia”, Departmental Seminar, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge (6 February)

1996 “Transmissive Modalities and Network-Formation in the Paliau Movement, Papua New Guinea”, 5th Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists, Frankfurt, Germany (4-7 September)

1998 “Epidemiological Approaches to Ritual”, International Conference on Biological and Cognitive Perspectives on the Transmission of Culture, School of Anthropological Studies, Queen’s University of Belfast (17-19 September)

1998 “Modes of Religiosity in the European Reformation and the Missionization of Melanesia”, Words and Things in the Anthropology of Christianity, Department of Anthropology, London School of Economics (24-25 September)

1999 “Implicit and Explicit Knowledge of Ritual”, Research Seminar on Anthropological Theory, London School of Economics (11 June)

1999 “Situating Human Nature”, Human Nature in Question, British Association Annual Festival of Science, Sheffield (13-17 September)

1999 “Religious Reflexivity and Transmissive Frequency”, Institute of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen, Denmark (15-17 September)

2000 “The Effects of Transmissive Frequency on Memory for Ritual Actions and Exegesis”, Quinquennial Congress of the International association for the History of Religions, Durban, South Africa (31 July - 12 August)

2000 “Modes of Religiosity”, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Houston, USA (18-22 October)

2001 “The Role of Emotion in the Transmission of Religious Rituals: assessing the evidence for two cognitive hypotheses”, CNRS-CREDO workshop on ‘Emotion, Memorization, and Knowledge Transmission, Marseille, France (14-15 September)

2001 “Memory and Motivation in Religion: some causes and consequences of alternative modalities of transmission”, Departmental Seminar, School of Oriental and African Studies, London (31 October)

2001 “Ritual, Emotion, and Memory”, specialist seminar for anthropologists, King’s College Cambridge (22 November)

2001 “Concluding Remarks”, British Academy Networks Conference on Modes of Religiosity, King’s College, Cambridge (20-22 December)

2002 “Explaining the Social Morphology of Religion”, CNRS seminar, Paris, France (15 March)

2002 “Ritual Unity: building nationalism in Papua New Guinea”, For God and Country, Spring Symposium of the Center for the Study of Religious, Virginia Wesleyan College, USA (26 March)

2002 “Transmission of Religious Concepts”, Minds and Gods: the cognitive science of religion, International Conference sponsored by the University of Michigan, Culture and Cognition Program, and the John Templeton Foundation, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA (29 March)

2002 “Ritual, Emotion, and Cognition”, Staff Seminar, School of Anthropological Studies, Queen’s University of Belfast (7 May)

2002 “Ritual, Emotion, and Memory: the case of high-arousal, low-frequency rites”, International Seminar on the Anthropology of Memory, *Laboratoire d'anthropologie sociale* of the *Collège de France*, Paris, France (11 June)

2002 “Modes of Religiosity: the evidence from Archaeology and Historiography”, British Academy Networks Conference on Modes of Religiosity, University of Vermont, Burlington (1-6 August)

2002 “A Response to the Panel”, Annual Meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Religion, panel on ‘Cognition and Culture: implications of the “modes of religiosity” theory for the study of religion’, Toronto (23 November)

2002 “The Imagistic Mode: a response to the panel”, Annual Meeting of the SBL, panel on ‘Imagistic Traditions in the Graeco-Roman World’, Toronto (24 November)

2003 “Ritual, Trauma and Memory”, Institute of Irish Studies Seminar Programme, QUB (27 February)

2003 “Opening Remarks” and “Closing Remarks”, British Academy and Emory University Conference on ‘the Psychological and Cognitive Foundations of Religiosity’, Emory Conference Center (14-17 August)

2003 “The Ritual Form Hypothesis and the Theory of Modes of Religiosity”, Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Norfolk, Virginia (24 October)

2003 “Ritual Form and Ritual Frequency”, Annual Meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Religion, Atlanta (21 November)

2004 “The Evolution and History of Religion: Theorizing Religious Transmission”, Annual Meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Religion, San Antonio (22 November)

2005 “Modes of Religiosity in the Graeco-Roman World: A Response to ‘Imagistic Modes of Religiosity in the Graeco-Roman World’, Panels (1) and (2)”, Nineteenth World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions, Tokyo, Japan (29 March)

2005 “Re-Appraising the Modes Theory: some qualifications and extensions”, Nineteenth World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions, Tokyo, Japan (30 March)

2005 “Memory and Religion”, Memory Day, Institute of Irish Studies, Queen’s University Belfast (19 May)

2005 “Mind, Brain, and Religion”, Oxford Centre for the Study of the Mind, Department of Pharmacology, University of Oxford (28 November)

2006 “Closing Remarks”, Cognitive Development and Cultural Transmission Workshop, London School of Economics (7 January)

- 2006 “The Role of Emotion in the Transmission of Rituals”, Swiss National Research Center in Affective Sciences, Geneva (2 February)
- 2006 “Religious Universals and Religious Variation”, International Workshop on Religion and Cognition, Centre for the Cognitive Science of Religion, Groningen, Netherlands (6 April)
- 2006 “Religion, Anthropology, and Psychology”, Departmental Seminar, School of Psychology, University of Oxford (21 November)
- 2007 “Evolution and Religion”, Culture and Cognition Seminar, Department of Anthropology, London School of Economics (30 May)
- 2007 “A Cognitive Theory of Religious Innovation and Transmission”, International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Vienna, Austria (24 July)
- 2007 “Religious Life at Çatalhöyük”, Second Site Seminar in the Project on Spirituality and religious ritual in the emergence of civilization: Çatalhöyük as a case study, Çatalhöyük, Turkey (3 August)
- 2007 “Explaining Religion”, Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness and Society for Anthropology of Religion Invited Session on ‘Cognitive Theory of Religion’, 106th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel (1 December)
- 2008 “Why do humans have religion?” Integrating the Humanities and the Sciences Conference, Peter Wall Institute, University of British Columbia, Canada (27 September)
- 2008 “Explaining Religion”, Ritual Dynamics and the Science of Ritual, Collaborative Research Centre SFB 619, ‘Ritual Dynamics’ International Conference, Heidelberg, Germany (1 October)
- 2008 “Explaining Religion”, Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness and Society for Anthropology of Religion Invited Session on ‘Religion, Anthropology, and Cognitive Science’, 107th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco at the Hilton and Towers (20 November)
- 2009 “Testing the Modes Theory Using Ethnography”, Research Seminar, Department for the Study of Religions, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic (23 February)
- 2009 “Explaining Religion”, SPA/SAR Joint Biennial Conference, Asilomar, California (28 March)
- 2009 “Modes of Religiosity at Catalhoyuk”, Theoretical Archaeology Group Conference: Exploring ‘the religious’ at Catalhoyuk: an interdisciplinary dialogue, Archaeology Centre, Stanford University, (3 May)
- 2009 “Explaining Religion”, 31st Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam (1 August)

2009 “Explaining Religion”, Guest Lecture at the Cognition, Religion, and Theology Conference, Christ Church College, University of Oxford CRT (11 August)

2009 “Explaining Religion”, Guest Lecture, Oxford University Anthropology Society, School of Anthropology, Oxford (4 November)

2009 “Taking Culture Seriously”(joint presentation with Joseph Henrich, University of British Columbia), a conference organized by the Evolution Institute and the National Evolutionary Synthesis Centre, Durham, North Carolina (14 November)

2009 “Mismatch Theory and Socio-Cultural Evolution”, Press Conference, National Evolutionary Synthesis Centre, Durham, North Carolina (16 November)

2010 “The Evolution of the doctrinal mode of religiosity in the spatial coexistence of religious groups” (joint presentation with Michael Hochberg), EXREL workshop, School of Anthropology, Oxford University (1 July)

2010 “Modeling competition among Doctrinal Traditions” (joint presentation with Michael Hochberg and Joanna Bryson), XXth Quinquennial Conference of the International Association for the History of Religions, Toronto (17 August)

2010 “A Construction Kit for Making Agent Based Models of Modes of Religiosity” (joint presentation with Ken Kahn), XXth Quinquennial Conference of the International Association for the History of Religions, Toronto (17 August)

2011 “The Cognitive Underpinnings of Ritual”, (joint presentation with Cristine Legare), Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal (31 March)

2011 “Ritual and Social Evolution”, 2nd NESCent Workshop Evolutionary mismatch and what to do about it, Duke University, North Carolina (3 May)

2011 “Ritual in the transition from foraging to farming”, Ritual, Community and Conflict project, Centre for Anthropology and Mind, University of Oxford (13 June)

2011 “Epigenetic Landscapes”, Chichele Series on the Evolution of Cognition, Old Library, All Souls College, University of Oxford (24 May)

2011 “Ritual in the transition from foraging to farming”, Centre for Anthropology and Mind, University of Oxford (13 June)

2011 “Durkheimian Anthropology and the Cognitive Science of Religion”, Durkheimian Studies Workshop, School of Anthropology, University of Oxford (9 July)

2011 “Ritual and Community at Çatalhöyük”, Templeton Workshop, Çatalhöyük (29 July)

2011 “Ritual, Fusion, and Group Identity”, Green College, University of British Columbia, Vancouver (10 August)

2011 “Constructing Databases on Ritual and Social Morphology”, University of Connecticut (4 - 6 September)

2011 “The Cognitive Developmental Foundations of Ritual”, Ritual, Community and Conflict project, Objective 1 meeting, University of Texas, Austin. (8 - 11 September)

2011 “Overimitation and the Ritual Stance”, Max Planck Research Group for Comparative Cognitive Anthropology, Schloss Ringberg, Germany (14 -17 December)

2012 “The Evolution of Prosocial Religions: querying some recent arguments”, Ernst Strüngmann Forum, Frankfurt am Main, Germany (28 May).

2012 “The Evolution of Social Complexity in Western Asia”, Our Place in the World, International Workshop, Urfa, Turkey (3 October)

2012 “Ritual, Community, and Conflict”, Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology, University of Oxford (11 October)

2012 “Experimental paradigms in the Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology (Oxford)”, Homo Experimentalis conference, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic (27 October)

2012 “Ritual and the Evolution of Social Complexity”, University of Connecticut, Storrs (14 November)

2013 “Causal opacity, cultural transmission, and social glue”, Workshop Exploring the Cultural Constitution of (Causal) Cognition, Centre for Interdisciplinary Research, Bielefeld University, Germany (12 April)

2013 “Ritual and Instrumental Stances on Tanna, Vanuatu”, Institute of Cultural Evolution and Anthropology, University of Oxford (24 April)

2013 “Religion’s Impact on Human Life”, University of British Columbia, Vancouver (2 May)

2013 “Ritual, Cohesion, and Conflict”, Workshop on Preventing and Resolving Intractable Conflicts, Wadham College, Oxford (16 September)

2013. “Ritual and Group Bonding”, Department of Behavioral Science, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (8 October)

2013. “Ritual, Intra- and Inter-Group Relations”, Culture, Social Ecology, and Psychology Lab, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (9 October).

2013. “Ritual, Community, and Conflict”, Department of Physiology, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil (22 October).

2014. “What has the cognitive science of religion accomplished in its first quarter century?”. Videotaped presentation, IACSR Conference and General Assembly, Religion Explained? The Cognitive Science of Religion after Twenty-Five Years, 5th biennial IACSR meeting and General Assembly, Brno, Czech Republic. (20 June).

2014. "The Evolution of Extreme Self-Sacrifice", 26th Human Behavior and Evolution Society Conference, "Evolution, Society, and Culture," Natal, Brazil (31 July).
2014. "Ritual, Community, and Conflict", Grupo de Estudos sobre Futebol e Torcidas (GEFuT), Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil. (2 August)
2014. "Fusion in Brazil", Department of Physiology, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil (6 August).
2014. "Ritual and Cohesion in Human Prehistory", Seshat Global Database Workshop (Archaeology), School of Anthropology, University of Oxford (4 September).
2014. "Modes of Religiosity", Seshat Global Database Workshop (Upper Egypt), School of Anthropology, University of Oxford (7 September).
2014. "Ritual, Fusion, and Relational Mobility", Culture, Social Ecology, and Psychology Lab, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (24 September).
2014. "Shared Dysphoria as a Pathway to Fusion", School of Psychology, University of New South Wales, Australia (26 September).
2015. "Advancing the Study of Cultural Evolution: Academic Integration and Policy Applications", Workshop on Cultural Evolution, University of Maryland, USA (19 March)
2015. "Concordance in Macrohistorical Datasets", Santa Fe Institute, USA (7 May).
2015. "What motivates extreme self-sacrifice?" NIC/DCDC Workshop on Future Trends, Blavatnik School of Governance, University of Oxford (4 June).
2015. "Sharing Self-Defining Memories as a Pathway to Fusion," Workshop on Ritual, Memory, and Identity, School of Anthropology, University of Oxford (30 June).
2015. "Seshat: Policy Implications." Workshop on Seshat: Global History Databank, School of Anthropology, University of Oxford (9-10 October).
2015. "Anthropology of Armed Groups," Analysing and Understanding Non-State Armed Groups, United Nations System Staff College, UNESCO International Bureau of Education, Geneva (10 December).
2016. "Analyzing Islamic State, Centre for the Resolution of Intractable Conflict, Harris Manchester College, University of Oxford (21 January).
2016. "Success and Failure in State-Building by Armed Groups". The Foreign Office, Whitehall, London (19 February).
2016. "Histories of the Mind". Moving Minds: converting cognition and emotion in history, International Conference, Macquarie University, Sydney (2 March).

2016. “Ritual and the Evolution of Social Complexity”. Seshat: Global History Databank Workshop, Villa Ariadne, Knossos, Crete (14 May).
2016. Valerie van Mulukom, Jonathan Jong, and Harvey Whitehouse “The Event Opacity Scale and the Event-Specific Rumination-Reflection Scale”, Cognitive and Neural Mechanisms of Human Memory Conference, Cluj-Napoca, Romania (18 May).
2016. “The Anthropology and Psychology of Ritual and Conflict” Analyzing and Understanding Non-State Armed Groups, United Nations System Staff College, Ammam, Jordan (via remote video-linkup from Budapest) (19 May).
2016. “Ritual, Community, and Conflict”, Centre for Religious Studies, Central European University, Budapest (19 May).
2016. “Ritual and the Evolution of Social Complexity”, Keynote Lecture, 2nd International Workshop on Computational History and Data-Driven Humanities, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (25 May).
2016. “Ritual, Group Cohesion, and the Agricultural Transition”, The Long Revolution: Becoming Neolithic in southwest Asia, International Conference, Freie Universität Berlin (2 October).
2016. “The Anthropology of Armed Groups” Analyzing and Understanding Non-State Armed Groups, United Nations System Staff College, Nairobi, Kenya (via remote video-linkup from Oxford) (19 October).
2016. “Introducing the Ritual Modes Project” Ritual Modes Workshop, Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology, University of Oxford (8 November).
2016. “The Anthropology of Armed Groups” Workshop on the Ingroup Causes of Intergroup Conflict, Institute of Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology, University of Oxford (9 November).
2017. “Ask About: The Science of Identity” World Economic Forum, Davos, Switzerland (19 January).
2017. “Ritual and Group Cohesion across Space and Time” Departmental Seminar, School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography, University of Oxford (10 February).
2017. “Introducing *Seshat: Global History Databank*” Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, The University of Tokyo, Japan (18 May).
2017. (With Pieter Francois). “Using Psychology and World History to Test Anthropological Theories”, Centre for Experimental Research in Social Sciences, Hokkaido University, Japan (20 May).
2017. “Ritual, Community, and Conflict” Departmental Seminar, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge (2 May).

2017. “Ritual, Community, and Conflict” Departmental Seminar, School of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of St Andrews (4 May).
2017. “Fusion and Extreme Pro-Group Action in Indonesia”. International workshop, Doubletree Diponegoro, Jarkarta, Indonesia (8 July).
2017. “Ritual and Group Cohesion in Vanuatu”. University of the South Pacific, Emalus Campus, Port Vila, Vanuatu. (26 September).
<http://www.usp.ac.fj/news/story.php?id=2572#.Wc9AwEyQ3Uq>
2017. “What Motivates Extremism” Cross-Sector Briefing, Group Discussion, and Closing Plenary Session, over dinner, Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, Berkshire. (8 November). <http://www.harveywhitehouse.com/events/2017/11/8/what-motivates-extremism>
2017. “Commemorative Needs in the Wake of Civil War and Terrorism” Conflict and Community: Panel-Lead Workshop, Harris Manchester College, Oxford. (11 November). <http://torch.ox.ac.uk/conflict-and-community-panel-led-workshop-2>