

The **Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies** is the premier Australian research institute focussed on the issues facing law enforcement and allied industries in Australia.

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In the Spotlight

Founding Director of TILES and Emeritus Professor Roberta Julian, Dr Loene Howes and Distinguished Professor Rob White announce the publication of *Critical Forensic Studies* as part of the Global Issues in Crime and Justice series.



Critical Forensic Studies provides a comprehensive overview of the emerging interdisciplinary field. It reviews existing research and scholarship on forensic science from a critical social science perspective, while forging a blueprint for further work in this area. Forensic science has long captured the public imagination, as evidenced by the popularity of many novels, television programs, and true-crime podcasts. At the same time, its role in the criminal justice system has been the subject of critique from scholars and practitioners in diverse fields. In response, the international forensic science community has become more involved in the scrutiny of its own knowledge and practices in relation to criminal justice objectives.

Chapters include:

- the history and public understandings of forensic science
- the professionalisation of forensic science
- forensic science as a social process
- crime scene examination and forensic intelligence
- experts and evidence in court
- technological advances and human rights
- interdisciplinary knowledge, practice and research.

The book is available from 21 December through [Routledge](#).

Roberta, Loene and Rob are members of the [Forensics Studies](#) stream at TILES.

Books, Book Chapters, Journal Articles

TILES researchers have had a productive second half of the year and have had their work published and promoted in a variety of fora. Some of these publications are behind a paywall; individual copies of paywalled articles can be provided to colleagues and TILES members on request. Please contact the linked author for copies.

1. [Dwyer, A. & Valcore, J. \(2021\) Policing of trans bodies.](#) In: Goldberg, A. (ed.), *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Trans Studies*, pp. 628-629. Thousand Oaks: SAGE Publications.
2. Ezzy, D., Fielder, B., [Dwyer, A.](#), & Richardson-Self, L. (2021) [LGBT+ equality, religious freedom and government-funded faith-based religiously affiliated educational workplaces.](#) *Australian Journal of Social Issues* (in press online 8 Oct 2021).
3. Hughes, D., Colvin, E., & Bartkowiak-Théron, I. (2021) [Police and vulnerability in bail decisions.](#) *International Journal for Crime, Justice and Social Democracy*, 10(3).
4. Julian, R., MacDonald, E., [Bartkowiak-Théron, I.](#) (2021) [The slow progress to social inclusion in policing: policing trends and social inclusion strategies.](#) In: Liamputtong P (ed.), *Handbook of Social Inclusion*. Springer, Cham.
5. Kemp, T., Butler-Henderson, K., Allen, P., & Ayton, J. (2021) [The impact of health information management professionals on patient safety: a systematic review.](#) *Health Information and Libraries Journal* (in press online 11 Oct 2021).
6. Marshall, H., Julian, R., & [Howes, L.M.](#) (2021) [Forensic science and gendered organizations: an exploratory study of crime scene examiners.](#) *Australian Journal of Forensic Sciences* (in press online 9 June 2021).
7. Oosthuizen, T. & [Howes, L.M.](#) (2022) [The development of forensic DNA analysis: new debates on the issue of fundamental human rights.](#) *Forensic Science International: Genetics*, 56, Article E102606.
8. Pedersen, C. & White, R. (2021) [Discourses of discord: animal activism and moral judgement.](#) *International Criminology*, 1(3): 178-192.
9. Sutton, A., Cherney, A., White, R. & Clancy, G. (2021) *Crime Prevention [3rd edition]*. Melbourne: Cambridge University Press.
10. Valcore, J., Fradella, H.F., Guadalupe-Díaz, X, Ball, M.J., [Dwyer, A.](#), DeJong, C., Walker, A., Wodda, A., & Worthen, M.G.F. (2021) [Building an intersectional and trans-inclusive criminology: responding to the emergence of “gender critical” perspectives in feminist criminology.](#) *Critical Criminology* (in press online 24 Sept 2021).
11. [White, R.](#) (2021) [Global harms and the natural environment.](#) In: Davies, P. Leighton, P. & Wyatt, T. (eds), *The Palgrave Handbook of Social Harm*, pp. 89-114. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
12. White, R. (2021) [Mission of Forensic Science International: Animals and Environments.](#) *Forensic Sciences International – Animals and Environments*, 1(1).
13. Wieland, L, [Ayton, J.](#), & Abernethy, G (2021) [Retention of general practitioners in remote areas of Canada and Australia: a meta-aggregation of qualitative research.](#) *Australian Journal of Rural Health*, 29(5): 656-669.

Other Publications & Outputs

1. Asquith, N.L. (2021) Why do we need a hate crime database. Invited plenary panel discussion. *Tackling Hate Conference*, 5-7 October.
2. Asquith, N.L., Barnes, A., & Bartkowiak-Théron, I. (2021) *Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drugs Council Consumer Engagement Strategy Preliminary Report: Conference Workshop Outcomes*. Hobart: Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies, University of Tasmania. ([PDF 435KB](#)).

3. Asquith, N.L, Dwyer, D, Mason, R, & Rodgers, J. (2021) *LGBTIQ Tasmanians and Tasmania Police*. Hobart: Tasmanian Department of Police, Fire, and Emergency Management. (Currently embargoed).
4. Asquith, N.L & Rodgers, J. (2021) "We deal with very weird, like just strange, not always, policing matters": *Small Town Policing in Rural, Regional, & Remote Communities in Tasmania. The Police Perspective. Pilot study report*. Hobart: Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies, University of Tasmania. ([PDF 931KB](#)).
5. Bartkowiak-Théron, I., Cashman, K., & Asquith, N.L. (2021) Deconstructing whiteness and valuing diversity in policing curriculum. *UTAS Teaching Matters Conference*, 29 November-1 December.
6. Denny, L.J., Eslake, S., Jones, A., Martin, R., [Mawad, R.J.](#), Pritchard, A., Rowan, M.B., & Shelley, B. (2021) Tasmania can improve its literacy rates but time for action is now. *The Mercury*, 08 September.
7. Dwyer, A. (2021) Ethical research with LGBTQ communities: some myth busting, Invited plenary panel on Ethics and Vulnerability. *2nd National Human Research Ethics Committee Conference*, 1-3 December.
8. Dwyer, A. (2021) Why LGBTQ youth-police interactions are a human rights issue needing urgent attention. Invited plenary panel. *World Congress on Justice with Children*, 15-19 November.
9. Dwyer, J. (2021) Australia and ballistic missile defence: strategic uncertainty and uninvited participation in a new nuclear arms race. *Australian Political Studies Association Annual Conference: Politics in the Age of Uncertainty*, 20-22 September.
10. [Evans, N.](#) (2021) [What can police do about conspiracy theories?](#) *Policing Insight*, 29 September.
11. Watson, D. & Howes, L.M. (2021) [The gender agenda in Pacific policing](#). *Asia & the Pacific Policy Society, Policy Forum*, 28 September.
12. Winter, R.E., Herrlander Birgerson, E., Julian, R., Frey, R., Lucas, P., Norris, K., & Mathewson, M. (2021) Bilateral electronic monitoring of high-risk family violence perpetrators in Tasmania. *Australian and New Zealand Society of Evidence Based Policing*, 17 August & 27-28 October.
13. Winter, R., Herrlander Birgerson, E., Julian, R., Frey, R., Lucas, P., Norris, K., & Mathewson, M. (2021) *Evaluation of Project Vigilance: Electronic Monitoring of Family Violence Offenders. Final report*. Hobart: Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies, University of Tasmania. ([PDF 515KB](#)).

Grants, Consultancies, & Contracts

1. Asquith, N.L. Why do you hate us so? For Hobart City Council Community Development Grant (\$5k)
2. Prichard, J. Online messages to reduce users' engagement with child sexual abuse material for Lucy Faithfull Foundation (\$20k)
3. Spiranovic, C., Winter, R., Cashman, K., Norris, K., Stanford, S.N., Bartkowiak-Théron I., & Hudson, C.E. Sexual violence in southern Tasmania for Sexual Assault Support Services (\$42k)
4. White, R. Analysis and interpretation of prisoner survey for Custodial Inspectors Office, Department of Justice Tasmania (\$5k)

Farewell & Welcomes

TILES farewells **Paula Broucek**, who served as our Executive Officer for 12 years. Her dedication to TILES and its Directors has been instrumental in the success and stability of TILES over her tenure.

TILES welcomes Dr **Jess (Jey) Rodgers** as Research Manager who will take over from Paula. Jess has over a decade of academic research experience from variety of disciplines, and looks forward to contributing to the research development and management of TILES.

TILES welcomes Adjunct Professor **Gary Cordner**. Gary is the Academic Director in the Education and Training Section of the Baltimore Police Department, USA. Gary has a long career of policing, training, and research focussing on problem-oriented policing and evidence-based policing.

TILES welcomes Adjunct researchers Dr **Tim Cubitt** and Dr **Ron Mason**. Tim is Principal Research Analyst at the Australian Institute of Criminology. His research focuses on police misconduct, police ethics, use of force, risk assessment modelling, and law enforcement responses to outlaw motorcycle gangs. Ron has worked with TILES for over 15 years, primarily as our go-to quantitative analyst. His contributions to TILES projects include his ground breaking work with Dr Romy Winter and Professor Roberta Julian on the DFV risk assessment tool used by Tasmania Police. Since his PhD graduation in 2021, Ron has secured contracts to complete a range of projects for social and criminal justice agencies and organisations, and continues to provide essential guidance on quantitative analysis.

HDR Announcements

Congratulations to Chief Inspector **Cheryl Brown** for the completion and acceptance of her PhD research, *The Effectiveness of Forensic Science in Volume Crime Policing in Australia*, supervised by **Professor Roberta Julian** and **Dr Sally Kelty**. This is a particularly big achievement as Cheryl has been part of the South Australia Police COVID-19 response team during her final years of study.

Community & Industry Engagement

One of the key strengths of TILES is its capacity to engage communities and government agencies, and collaborate with stakeholders on identifying and resolving critical issues in policing, emergency management, and criminal justice. In the last six months, TILES researchers have been active in contributing to social change.

Associate Professor **Angela Dwyer** presented a guest lecture to police officers studying a unit called 'Gender, Sexuality, and Crime' at the University of Houston Downtown on 12 November 2021. She discussed the learnings from her research on policing LGBTQ people in public spaces and how these policing experiences can be improved into the future.

Professor **Nicole Asquith** has been working with Tasmanian NGOs and Tasmania Police in her role as Secretary of the Australian Hate Crime Network to develop local capacity to recognise, respond and prevent prejudice related violence in Tasmania. As part of this, the Tasmanian Prejudice Related Violence Working Group has been created, and they have met with the Attorney-General and Minister for Police to discuss legislative changes, increased victim support, and increased police training on these forms of targeted violence.

In addition to the Working Group, Professor **Nicole Asquith** was invited by the Faith Communities Tasmania in October 2021 to advise them on how to protect places of worship from targeted violence. At this meeting, representatives from major faith

groups noted ongoing criminal damage, hate mail, and death threats. Nicole will work with Faith Communities Tasmania to provide outreach and advice on how to prevent and respond to targeted violence.

Professor **Nicole Asquith** and Dr **Val Kitchener** (TILES Adjunct Researcher) have worked over the last six months to raise awareness of the Optional Protocol on the Convention against Torture (OPCAT), and to lobby the Tasmanian Government around the structure and funding of the National Preventative Mechanism created by the state government to implement OPCAT. The TasOPCAT (or TOP CAT) team convened a public webinar on 20 October 2021 as part of the University's Island of Ideas seminar series, which coincided with the tabling of a significantly redrafted OPCAT Implementation Bill that reflected the advice from TILES researchers.

Dr **Romy Winter** has developed a community of practice for people working with men in a variety of contexts. Consensus for the need for such a group emerged from informal conversations with people working with men in contexts such as, in (and exiting) the prison system, family violence, sexual assault, relationship counselling, homelessness services, and lone fathers. Conversations revealed that practitioners were encountering common issues. Each month, an issue or program is highlighted for discussion. For example, The Working With Men group have recently covered coercive control, learnt about the unique program run by Hobart City Mission called DIY Dads, discussed new theoretical approaches to family violence, and had a virtual tour of the Risdon Prison Complex. The Working With Men group meets monthly at the Christian Family Centre next to Risdon Prison from 7.30am to 10am, on the first Friday of the month (meeting next in February). If anyone is interested in joining the group, please contact [Romy](#).

Dr **Romy Winter** has been involved in developing the new strategic plan for The Salvation Army's Communities for Children program for South East Tasmania. The Salvation Army has received funding for five years to facilitate programs for vulnerable families in Brighton, New Norfolk, Southern Midlands and Central Highlands. Community partners have now been selected to deliver a suite of programs which cover the strategic areas of safety, resilience, aspiration and community connections in the four locations.

Appointments, Awards, & Promotions

1. TILES congratulates two members of the Policing and Emergency Management team — **Isabelle Bartkowiak-Theron** and **Steve Curnin** — on their recent promotion to Associate Professor.
2. TILES affiliate Distinguished Professor **Rob White** was awarded the College of Arts, Law and Education Distinguished Service Medal for his decades of service to the university and discipline.
3. The Australian and New Zealand Society of Evidence Based Policing bestowed the Outstanding Police Experiment Award to TILES affiliates **Jeremy Prichard** and Caroline Spiranovic for their forthcoming (in press) paper: Warning messages to prevent illegal sharing of sexualised images: results of a randomised controlled experiment. The paper was nominated for the award by the Australian Institute of Criminology and will be published on their platform as part of the *Trends and Issues in Criminal Justice* series. This project was undertaken with partners from University College London, the University of Canberra, and La Trobe University.
4. Associate Professor **Angela Dwyer** was elected as Executive Counsellor to the Policing Thematic Group for the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology, starting 2022.

5. Associate Professor **Angela Dwyer** was re-elected as Co-Chair of the American Society of Criminology Division of Queer Criminology for a second term in 2022-2023. She co-founded the Division with Professor Meredith Worthen in 2020.
6. Dr **Loene Howes** was elected as President of the Tasmanian branch of the Australian and New Zealand Forensic Science Society at the October 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Other Activities

1. Distinguished Professor **Rob White** launched his book, *Theorising Green Criminology*, at Fullers Bookshop book shop in Hobart on 18 November 2021. The launch was well attended, with 30+ people. The discussions (including presentations, questions and comments) went for about an hour and a half. Climate activist and writer, Peter Boyer and former Leader of the Greens, Christine Milne provided powerful statements about climate change and environmental destruction—a great way to set up the crimes and harms discussed in the book.
2. Distinguished Professor **Rob White** is the Editor-in-Chief of new gold open access international journal, *Forensic Science International: Animals and Environments*. The journal publishes articles and informed commentary on matters at the intersection of forensic sciences, forensic studies, and animals and environments, encompassing a range of issues, trends, methods, and investigations.

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