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Experts List for Press and Media

The Leeds Trinity University experts below are available for press and media interviews. Please contact them directly or via the Corporate Communications team by email: communications@leedstrinity.ac.uk or call 0113 283 7286.

Subject Area		Leeds Trinity expert/specialist	More Information
Business	Marketing	Mark Sebright, Senior Lecturer in Marketing	Marketing fundamentals to international marketing, covering brand strategy and consumer psychology, traditional and digital marketing techniques, public relations and media communications
	Accounting, Local business, Banking, Government finance	Andy Gilliland, Senior Lecturer in Business and Accounting	Local business, economics and business impact of Brexit, matters to do with banks and banking, Government finance and taxation
	Workplace practices	Dr Claire Hookham, MBA Director and Senior Lecturer in Organisational Behaviour and Human Resource Management	Business in the news, Walt Disney Company (especially Theme Parks), Corporate Culture, Excellence in Customer Service, Emotional Labour Management, Innovative Leadership, Management and

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			Business Education, Corporate Storytelling and Organisational Behaviour
Children, Young People and Families	Child Psychology Early Years Education	Dr Pam Jarvis, Honorary Research Fellow	Psychological wellbeing in childhood, adolescence, families and education, Psychology, sociology and social policy relating to children, young people, families and education The History of Childhood, Adverse Childhood Experiences and stress associated with ACEs
	Family and Cultural Dynamics	Professor Carmen Lau-Clayton, Professor of Family and Cultural Dynamics	COVID-19, lockdown and families Young fatherhood and service support needs. Ethnic and cultural dynamics within families Chinese households
	Education Special Needs, Disabilities and Mental Health	Dr Elizabeth Nassem, Lecturer in SEND/Mental Health	School bullying, bullying in the workplace, wellbeing and mental health of children and young people, pupil voice, exclusions in school, the school system e.g. punishments such as isolation, inequalities in social class and education, cyberbullying, racism in schools, homophobia in schools, looked after children in education, special needs, inclusive practices in school
	Child and Family Welfare Studies	Syra Shakir, Senior Teaching Fellow	Working with Children, Young People and Families, Child and Family Welfare Studies, Adult Social Care, Social Work, Child Protection and Safeguarding, Looked after Children, Child Sexual Exploitation

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Criminology, Investigations and Policing	Criminology and Crime	Dr Rob Hornsby, Senior Lecturer in Criminology	Organised crime, Illicit markets, Drugs, Contraband cigarettes/tobacco, Counterfeiting, Policing of organised crime, Human trafficking, Gun crime, Youth crime, Knife crime
	Criminology, Policing, Crime	Tony Blockley, Interim Head of School of Criminology, Investigation and Policing	Policing, criminology, major investigations, domestic abuse and violence
	Terrorism and Counter Terrorism	Dr Shaun McDaid, Senior Lecturer in Criminology	Terrorism and counter terrorism; Radicalisation, Counter-radicalisation and Extremism
Prison custody and reform	Prison	Professor Danielle McDermott, Head of Prisons and Custody	Custodial Practice, Prison, custody, reform, policy
	Prison, Youth Offending, Reform and Policy	Andrew Brierley, Head of Access, Participation and Outcomes - Office for Institutional Equity	Access Participation, Prison, Youth Offending, Reform and Policy
Law	Law	Francis Dignan, Senior Lecturer in Law	Criminal Law Constitutional Law Administrative Law Civil Litigation
English Literature and Creative Writing	Creative Writing, Poetry	Professor Paul Hardwick (aka Poet Oz Hardwick), Professor of English and Creative Writing	Medieval literature and art, Medievalism (including King Arthur & Robin Hood), Poetry, Prose poetry
	Literature, Creative Writing	Dr Amina Alyal, Senior Lecturer in English and Creative Writing	Renaissance literature (with a focus on poetry and drama), Victorian literature, and creative writing
	Women writers	Professor, Rev Jane de Gay, Professor of English Literature	Virginia Woolf, the Brontes, and women writers more generally

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Culture	Culture and migration	Dr Laura De Pretto, Senior Lecturer in Psychology	The impact of culture and migration on environmental behaviour, health and hope
Education	Teacher Training, Primary Education	Amanda Nuttall, Associate Professor, Institute of Childhood and Education	Generic primary education, ITE for primary and issues around poverty and schooling
	Teacher Training, Ofsted	Dr Duncan Martin, Deputy Dean of Institute of Childhood and Education	Teacher training, Ofsted Inspections/frameworks, Quality Assurance
	Schools	Dr Jonathan Doherty, Visiting Lecturer in Education	Schools and Education Policy
	Early Years	Megan Stephenson, Associate Professor (Professional Practice), Institute of Childhood and Education	Early years reading Early years phonics Mentoring and Early Career Framework (PGCE and UG ITT)
		Samantha Wilkes, Senior Lecturer in Education	Early years (all areas) English – early reading and writing development Phonics – all areas of high quality SSP Leadership and management of staff (Head of Primary school previously) Primary education (practising teacher with over 23 years' experience)
	Children's spirituality, religious experience and wellbeing	Professor Kate Adams, Professor of Education	Children's spirituality Spiritual and/or religious experience in childhood Dreams Children's holistic wellbeing Imaginary friends

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	Special Needs, Disabilities and Mental Health	Bev Peartree, Associate Professor (Professional Practice) in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities	SEND Mental Health for Children and Young People School leadership
	Science Education	Professor Leigh Hoath, Professor of Science Education – Dean of Education and Teaching	Primary and secondary science education. Climate Change and education.
	History Education	Alex Ford Senior Lecturer, Institute of Childhood and Education	History Education Curriculum, progression and assessment Ofsted
	Secondary Education, Children, young people and families	Maureen Courtney Visiting Lecturer and Postgraduate Researcher, Institute of Childhood and Education	Social, emotional and mental health in children and young people Behaviour management SEND leadership and management School policy and curriculum Leading and managing international schools Working in areas of conflict
Race equality	Race, Equality and Social Justice	Syra Shakir, Senior Teaching Fellow	Embedding Race Equality in the Curriculum, Diversity, Advance HE's Race Equality Charter
	Race, Equality and Social Justice	Dr Sean Walton Senior Lecturer in Academic Development	Race, equality, social justice
	Race, Equality and Social Justice	Dr Tamsin Bowers- Brown Director of the Office for Institutional Equity	Race, equality, social justice
Gender	Gender and the Church	Professor, Rev Jane de Gay, Professor of English Literature	Gender and the Church – e.g. women bishops, etc. Gender and feminism more generally

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Health / Research	Environmental Physiology, Sports Performance and Health	Professor Martin Barwood Professor of Applied Environmental Physiology	Cold water shock Drowning prevention advice Sports and Occupational Performance in Extreme Environments
	Addiction and Addiction Recovery	Professor David Best, Professor of Addiction Recovery	Addiction (including alcohol, drug, pornography, sex, gambling)
	Stress Chronic Pain Tinnitus / Hearing Loss	Dr James Jackson, Reader in Psychology	Biological Psychology (the physiology of behaviour), Chronic Pain, Chronic Stressors (and the effects of stress across the lifespan – pre-natal onwards), Stress, Tinnitus and Hearing Loss
	Sports Psychology	Dr Christopher Sellars, Head of School (Sport & Wellbeing) and Associate Professor (Professional Practice)	Applied sports psychology, mental skills training, coach-athlete relationship
	Sport and Exercise Psychology	Dr Luke Barnes, Lecturer in Sport and Exercise Psychology	Sport and Exercise Psychology, Performance Psychology, Behavioural Science, Systems Thinking, Integrity Development/Education, Organisational Culture
	Wellbeing in sport, health and performance	Dr Richard A.C. Simpson, Lecturer in Psychology	Wellbeing among sport performers, support staff, and employees. Positive Psychology (e.g., gratitude, happiness, flourishing). Understanding and framing mental health in sport and performance.

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			Close and related sport relationships (coach-athlete, client-practitioner, and other sport relationships). Work and Organizational Sport Psychology (e.g. stress, resilience, thriving, leadership, culture).
	Exercise, Fitness and Health	Adam Lunn, BA PGCE University Teacher in Physical Activity, Exercise and Health Promotion	Personal Training, Fitness Instructing, Health Promotion, Exercise Referral, Cancer and Exercise Referral
Psychology	Psychology	Dr Kirstie Turner, Lecturer in Psychology	Media effects on brain and behaviour (violent, pornographic, disgusting/gory), electroencephalography (EEG) methodology, videogame effects, aggression, sex offender populations, videogame addiction and gambling
	Cognitive psychology	Paul McGivern, Senior Lecturer in Cognitive Psychology	Cognition, risk-based decision making, gambling, use of technology in risk-based and educational environments
	Counselling psychology	Dr Jamie Cruickshank, Senior Lecturer in Counselling Psychology.	Bereavement and loss, mental wellbeing, resilience, coping (both positive and negative aspects), public perceptions of mental illness, gender and sexual identity, LGBTQIA+ identities and lived experiences, the impact of social media usage and mental health, social media bias, working in online spaces, fear of negative evaluation (social anxiety), perceived peer acceptance, religious/spiritual engagement and mental health, social isolation and the psychological impact of the covid-19 pandemic.

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	Forensic psychology	Dr Samantha Walkden, Lecturer in Forensic Psychology	Mental health in offending populations, recidivism and rehabilitation, public mental health stigma, social media use and mental health, misinformation about psychology on social media, labelling and stigmatising language, working with forensic populations, representation of mental illness in TV and films
Nursing and Biomedical Science	Biomedical Science	Dr Nat Milton, Academic Lead in Biomedical Science	Alzheimer's, dementia (molecular), diabetes, protein interactions, cannabinoids and use of AI/bioinformatics.
	Biomedical Science	Peter Green, Technician, Biomedical Science	Biomedical Science
	Nursing	Dr Chris Dlamini our Programme Leader for Learning Disabilities Nursing	Nursing and Learning Disabilities Nursing
Journalism	Journalism industry	Dave Betts, Director of Academic Strategy and Resourcing	Journalism and Media
	Broadcast journalism	Darren Harper, Lecturer in Journalism	Radio Podcasts Broadcast Journalism

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	Journalism	Leigh Purves, Lecturer in Journalism	Broadcast Journalism
Media	Film Production	Ricardo Barker Associate Professor (Professional Practice) in Film Production	Film and TV Production Directing for Drama and Documentary Race and representation in the media
	Digital and Social Media Escape Room Games Gaming	Liz Cable Senior Lecturer in Media	Digital and social media Escape Rooms in learning Gaming in Higher Education Enterprise in the curriculum
	TV Production	Richard Greatrex, Senior University Teacher in TV Production	TV production Filmmaking Reality television
Public Relations / PR	Lifestyle features, PR and work-based learning	Amy Lund, Associate Professor (Learning and Teaching)	PR, Magazine Journalism and Feature Writing. Higher Education learning, assessment, curriculum design, pedagogy, learning environments and teaching excellence.
Photography	Photography	Dr Liza Dracup, Senior Lecturer in Photography	Professional photographic practice Processing and editing images Aesthetics Promotion and publishing Legal, ethical and cultural aspects of photography
Technology / AI / STEM	Artificial Intelligence	Professor Yanguo Jing, Dean of the Faculty of Business, Computing and Digital Industries	Applied Artificial Intelligence, Machine-learning methods, user behaviour patterns
	Computer Science	Nicky Danino, Head of School of Computer Science	Computer Science, Technology, Social Media, Innovation, Education, Women in STEM, The Technology Landscape, Diversity in Technology, Artificial

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			Intelligence, Fostering Future Leaders in STEM, Responsible Computing. Cyber abuse and online toxicity – violence against women and girls
	Computer Science	Dr Antesar Shabut, Senior Lecturer in Computer Science	Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, using software to benefit community/wider society, Women in STEM
	STEM, Construction and building	Frankie Spencer, Head of Estates and Facilities at Leeds Trinity University	Women in STEM Building and construction Women in male dominated work sectors
Construction and the Built Environment			
Environment	Sustainability	Katie Clegg, Director of Sustainability	Sustainability, Sustainability in HE, Climate change, Sustainability of the built environment, Education for Sustainable Development, UN SDG's
Mental Health	Student Mental Health Mental Health and Wellbeing	Dr Lisa Webster, Reader in Psychology	Student mental health and wellbeing
	Mental Health in Higher Education	Dr Alison Torn, Associate Professor (Teaching and Learning) in Psychology	Mental health Current issues related to social psychology (eg. prejudice, division between groups, marginalisation of groups/ communities)
	Victorian history Agricultural history	Professor Karen Sayer Professor of Social and Cultural History	Histories of energy Rural communities, landscapes and environments; human and animal relations in agricultural work and on the farm Agricultural History
	History Education	Alex Ford Senior Lecturer, Institute of Childhood and Education	History Education Curriculum, progression and assessment Ofsted

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Philosophy	Philosophy, Ethics and Religion	David Ellis, Lecturer in Philosophy, Ethics and Religion	Philosophy, religion, religious language, Hinduism, Buddhism, Christian theology, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Religion, Wittgenstein
Religion	Religious Studies	Dr Suzanne Owen Associate Professor (Research) in Religious Studies	Debates on what counts as religion Indigenous religions. Contemporary Druids.
Catholic Mission	Catholic Mission	Dr Ann Marie Mealey Director of Catholic Mission	Catholicism and Catholic Mission at Leeds Trinity University
Politics	Brexit - economic and business impact	Andy Gilliland, Senior Lecturer in Business and Accounting	Local business, economics and business impact of Brexit, matters to do with banks and banking, Government finance and taxation.
	National, European and International Relations	Dr Kostas Maronitis, Senior Lecturer in Politics and International Relations	Politics with a focus on EU politics, European politics (Greece, Italy, Germany etc.), immigration, Brexit, US politics and International Relations.
	Political movements 20th century literature	Marielle O'Neill, PhD researcher in political activism and Virginia Woolf	Virginia Woolf 20 th century literature Political activism and movements.