

Historical geographies of 'madness' and asylums in Scotland

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An inquiry to parallel elements of Chris Philo's 2004 work on the historical geography of the English and Welsh 'mad-business', requiring sustained archival work on both national-level sources (eg. reports of the Scottish Lunacy Commissioners) and local-level archives (eg. records of individual asylums, with particular reference to the original locational decisions and subsequent reorganisations of institutional space). A conceptual framing inspired by writers such as Foucault, Goffman, Porter, Gordon and others will likely become a feature of this project.

Application procedure and deadlines

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(<http://www.gla.ac.uk/colleges/scienceengineering/graduateschool/prospectivestudents/essentialinformation/>). Closing dates for University and research council funded studentships will be in

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<http://www.esrc.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/index.aspx> and please note that *non-UK European Union citizens will be awarded fees only by ESRC.*

For informal enquiries about the research projects please contact the relevant supervisors. Information on the GES graduate school and the application process can be obtained from Mrs Jean McPartland, the assistant to head of the School (Jean.McPartland@glasgow.ac.uk), or Professor Susan Waldron (Susan.Waldron@Glasgow.ac.uk), the head of the GES graduate school.