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**Career summary (last updated 02/19)**

I commenced my funded PhD in October 2010, gained my lectureship in September 2012 and was promoted to Senior Lecturer in August 2017. I have published **29** peer-reviewed scientific papers, which includes **16** first-authored papers, **7** papers independent of PhD team, **4** sole-authored papers and **3** student-authored papers as PI (WoS statistics: *h* index = **13**, citations = **396**, most cited paper = **57** citations). I have also published **5** book chapters and **1** magazine article and delivered **8** peer-reviewed conference papers, **1** invited talk and **16** conference posters. I am Section Editor for the *Encyclopedia of Evolutionary Psychological Science* (Springer: NY). My research has attracted funding from *The Carnegie Trust*, *The Experimental Psychology Society*, *Human Behavior and Evolution Society* and the *European Human Behavior and Evolution Association*.

**Selected peer-reviewed scientific publications**

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**Leadership evidence-base**

I have **supervised 61 students** (including **2 PhD students**, **3 funded researchers**, **4 Masters by Research students**, **7 MSc students** and **45 BSc Hons dissertation students**). Supervision has generated **5 research outputs** (two peer-reviewed scientific papers and three international conference poster presentations). I am **Programme leader** (16/17-present) for the BSc in Psychology and Counselling (BPS accredited degree, **NSS 2018 Overall Satisfaction = 100%**). I lead teaching activity at the modular level and have developed new curricula (PSY401, SPS404, PSY305, **SCEF statistics across modules: 12/13-18/19, N=206, M=2.16, SD=.54** - Overall satisfaction on 1 'strongly agree' to 5 'strongly disagree' scale). I have co-won **1** and been nominated for **3** (internal) *Student-Led Teaching Awards*. I am Chair of the School's Research Ethics Committee.

**Dissemination and public engagement**

I have received media coverage in **130+ articles** (Altmetric), in outlets including *Nature*, *Science*, *The Atlantic*, *American Psychological Society Observer*, *NY Magazine*, *BBC*, *Sky News*, *Channel 9* (Australia), *New York Post*, *The Times*, *The Daily Mail*, *The Japan Times*, *South China Morning Post*, *Huffington Post* (Canada), *The Australian*, *Hindustan Times*, *America in the Morning* (Radio). I have delivered **2** public lectures viewed over 14k times (TEDx, 02/16; Dundee Science Festival, 11/14).

**References**

**Professor David Perrett** (University of St Andrews, dp@st-andrews.ac.uk)

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**Dr Clare Cunningham** (Line Manager, Abertay University, c.cunningham@abertay.ac.uk)