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Research interests

I am an inter/ multidisciplinary researcher following a track on the human condition/ wellbeing. I employ mixed methods within communties to explore psychosocial and physiological wellbeing through leisure experiences across the lifecourse and this includes research across the following fields/ disciplines: gerontology, tourism, festivals and events, family sociology, family managment, power and hegemonic relationships, memory creation, marginalisation, mental health and wellbeing, neurodiversity, equity of experiences, and human rights.

Employment

Centre for Future Societies Research

University of Hertfordshire 2 Apr 2022 → present

Enterprise and Value Research Group

University of Hertfordshire 1 Jan 2016 → present

Hertfordshire Business School

University of Hertfordshire 12 Dec 2022 → present

Research output

Neurodiversity / neurodivergent populations and tourism

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Sustainable Humans: A framework for applying Sustainable HRM principles to the Events Industry

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Family holidays with autistic children: Report of key findings

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Positive power: Events as temporary sites of power which "empower" marginalised groups

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Events and Well-being

Jepson, A. & Walters, T., 11 Jan 2021, Routledge. (Critical Event Studies)

The Benefits of Events in Older Life

Stadler, R., Jepson, A. & Wood, E., Apr 2020, *The Routledge Handbook of Events*. Page, S. & Connell, J. (eds.). 2nd ed. Routledge, p. 525-539 15 p.

Making Positive Family Memories Together and Improving Quality-of-Life Through Thick Sociality and Bonding at Local Community Festivals and Events

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Community-based festivals in the context of community-based tourism

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Conceptualising the Impact of Festival and Event Attendance upon Family Quality of Life (QOL)

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Review of: Community Development; Applications for Leisure, Sport and Tourism, edited by E. Sharpe, H. Mair, F., and F. Yuen

Jepson, A., 17 Nov 2016, (E-pub ahead of print) In: Annals of Leisure Research. p. 1-2 2 p.

Managing and Developing Communities, Festivals and Events

Jepson, A. (ed.) & clarke, A. (ed.), 31 Jan 2016, London: Palgrave Macmillan. 240 p.

Creating Critical Festival Discourse through flexible mixed Methodological research design

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Integrating 'self-efficacy' theory to the Motivation-Opportunity-Ability (MOA) Model to reveal factors that influence inclusive engagement within local community festivals

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Knowledge Sharing Practices: Insights from CAMRA Festival Volunteers

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Jepson, A., 13 Jun 2012, The Global Events Congress V: Advances in Event Management Research & Practice.

Power, Hegemony, and relationships in the festival planning and construction process

Clarke, A. & Jepson, A., 2011, In: International Journal of Event and Festival Management. 2, 1, p. 7-19 12 p.

Community Festivals: Involvement and Inclusion

Jepson, A., Wiltshire, P. & Clarke, A., 2008, Council for Hospitality Management Education: Int Research Conf.

Involving the local Community: The Case of the Derby Jubilee Festival 2002 Jepson, A., 1 Dec 2005, p. 110-128. 18 p.

Activities

External Examiner for MSc International Events Management - Bournemouth University Allan Jepson (Examiner) 2017 → 2020

External Examiner for MSc International Events Management - Sheffield Hallam University Allan Jepson (Examiner) $2017 \rightarrow 2020$

International Journal of Event and Festival Management (Journal) Allan Jepson (Editorial board member) 2016

Tourism Management (Journal) Allan Jepson (Peer reviewer) 2016

External Examiner: University of Greenwich

Allan Jepson (Examiner) 1 Sept 2013 → 1 Sept 2016

External Examiner - Ulster University Allan Jepson (Examiner) 2013 → 2017

Association for Event Management Education (External organisation) Allan Jepson (Member) 18 Sept 2012

Journal of Policy Research in Tourism, Leisure and Events (Journal) Allan Jepson (Peer reviewer) 2012

International Journal of Culture, Tourism, and Hospitality Research (Journal) Allan Jepson (Peer reviewer) 2011

External Examiner: Southampton Solent University Allan Jepson (Examiner) $2010 \rightarrow 2013$

External Examiner: Middlesex University Allan Jepson (Examiner) 2009

Projects Event Attendance and Family Quality-of-Life Stadler, R. & Jepson, A. 9/03/15 → 15/03/19

Food Festivals and wellbeing

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Neurodiversity and leisure experiences Jepson, A., Stadler, R. & Garrod, B. $3/05/21 \rightarrow \dots$

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