

Academic expertise

My research examines a number of interrelated topics concerning the nonprofit/charity sector: funding sources and networks; measuring and modelling organisational and financial risk; evaluating regulatory interventions; and estimating geographical distribution of charitable activity. I have methodological and teaching interests in the use of administrative data, quantitative methods and computational social science. I have been commissioned to deliver and develop training courses and materials for the National Centre for Research Methods, Scottish Graduate School of Social Science, and Wales Institute of Social and Economic Research and Data.

Current research

I am currently researching the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the UK charity sector, in particular whether the "normal" levels of new charities being formed has been disrupted. Another strand of this work is estimating the financial consequences of the pandemic with respect to heavy reliance on a single funding source (e.g., government funding).