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## Overview

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Lecturer (Political History)  
Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

### Research Interests (outline)

#### **Places:**

Scotland  
UK and British Isles  
Europe and international comparisons

#### **Themes:**

political and constitutional change  
local and urban history  
local government and multilevel governance  
ideas and ideologies  
paradiplomacy and protodiplomacy  
Nuclear Free Zones  
public history  
academic literacies

#### **Periods:**

c.1832 to present day

### Current Teaching Duties (\* as Module Coordinator or Moderator)

L7

Democracy in the UK  
Making the Modern World\*

L8

Foundations of Social and Political Thought

L9

Democracy and European Political Parties

L10

Social Science Dissertation (Supervisor)  
British and Irish Political History Since WW2\*

L11

The State in a Global Order  
Dissertation: Applied Social Sciences (supervisor)

### Other relevant internal roles:

Former programme leader for Cert HE Social Studies (2011-13) and BA Hons Social Science (2013-15)  
Assessor (MPhil to Phd transfer)  
PhD supervision team member

In addition to the above current modules, I have extensive successful experience of teaching political theory, contemporary ideologies, Scottish, British, US, and international politics at undergraduate level.

### Current Research Projects

British Isles Nuclear Free Local Authorities (NFLAs)  
Local governance reform and democratic renewal debates in Scotland / British Isles  
Peer assessment in the context of academic literacies and inclusive practice

## Qualifications

Doctor of Philosophy, University of Glasgow  
31 Jan 2005 → 30 Nov 2011  
Award Date: 30 Nov 2011

Master of Philosophy, University of Glasgow

1 Sep 2002 → 1 Sep 2004

Award Date: 30 Nov 2004

Bachelor of Arts (Hons.), Glasgow Caledonian University

10 Sep 1996 → 31 Jul 2012

Award Date: 12 Jul 2000

1 Aug 2000 → 1 Jul 2001 Postgraduate Certificate in (Secondary) Education - History and Modern Studies, PGCE

## Employment

### Lecturer

Lecturer

School of Education and Social Sciences

University of the West of Scotland

1 Oct 2001 → present

### Strategic Hub for Society, Policy, Governance & Justice

University of the West of Scotland

1 Sep 2016 → present

### External Examiner for MA International Relations

University of Northampton

1 Oct 2021 → 30 Sep 2025

### External Panel Member (Politics) for ELISR (departmental review), BA Social Sciences programme review and MSc Human Rights approval event, Glasgow Caledonian University

16 Mar 2021 → 18 Mar 2021

### External Examiner

Leeds International Study Centre (Leeds and Leeds Beckett Universities, jointly) International Year One Programme  
United Kingdom

1 Nov 2017 → 1 Nov 2021

### Executive Committee Member -cofounder Community Exchange blog series

Social History Society

United Kingdom

1 Apr 2014 → 1 Apr 2017

## Research outputs

### Undergraduate peer review, reading and writing: reflecting on experiences from an International Politics module

Pugh, M. & Veitch, F., 30 Jun 2019, In: European Political Science. 18, 2, p. 335-350 16 p., EPSTL2018340R.

### Student peer review workshop

Pugh, M. G., 12 Feb 2018, Social History Society Learning and Teaching Exchange.

### A review of contemporary linked challenges for Scottish Local Government

Pugh, M. & Connolly, J., 1 Jul 2016, (E-pub ahead of print) In: Scottish Affairs. 25, 3, p. 317-336 20 p.

### Supporting transitions through undergraduate peer review within an International Politics module: an invitation to share in our reflections

Pugh, M. & Veitch, F., Jun 2016.

**Civic borders and imagined communities: continuity and change in Scotland's municipal boundaries, jurisdictions and structures - from nineteenth-century "General Police" to twenty first-century "Community Empowerment"**

Pugh, M., 25 Apr 2016, In: *Etudes écossaises* . 18, p. 29-49 20 p.

**Civic borders and imagined communities: themes in Scottish local government from 'general police' to 'community empowerment'**

Pugh, M., 23 Mar 2016.

**Guest blog post – 'centralisation has its draw backs as well as its advantages'**

Pugh, M., 25 Mar 2015, EUP Journals Blog.

**Does student peer review help to improve essay and exam technique?**

Pugh, M. & Veitch, F., 1 Oct 2014.

**Effective learning through peer review**

Veitch, F. & Pugh, M., Oct 2014.

**Written Submission on Draft Community Empowerment Bill**

Pugh, M. & Connolly, J., 5 Sep 2014, 3 p. The Scottish Parliament.

**Centralism versus localism? Democracy versus efficiency? The perennial challenges of Scottish local government organisation**

Pugh, M., 30 Jun 2014, *History and Policy*.

**Multi-level Challenges to Scottish Local Government: An Organisational and Undemocratic 'Morass'?**

Connolly, J. & Pugh, M., 9 Jun 2014.

**'Centralisation has its draw backs as well as its advantages': The Surrounding Burghs' Resistance to Glasgow's Municipal Expansion, c. 1869–1912**

Pugh, M., 31 May 2014, In: *Journal of Scottish Historical Studies*. 34, 1, p. 40-66 27 p.

**Going for gold: encouraging effective learning through peer review**

Pugh, M. & Veitch, F., 13 Jun 2013.

**Govan Press (1885-1985)**

Pugh, M., 30 Nov 2012, *Dictionary of Nineteenth Century Journalism*. ProQuest

**Local Self-Government in Victorian Scotland: the case of Govan and Partick, c. 1869-1912 [by invitation]**

Pugh, M., Sep 2012.

**Once Proud Burghs: Community and the Politics of Autonomy, Annexation and Assimilation - Govan and Partick, c. 1850-1925**

Pugh, M., 1 Jun 2011, (E-pub ahead of print) 395 p.

**'Oases of pleasure in deserts of toil'? leisure, recreation and the promotion of civic culture in two Clyde shipbuilding communities, c. 1885-1912**

Pugh, M., Apr 2011.

**Local self-government versus municipal socialism on the grand scale: a case study of two Clyde Shipbuilding Communities c. 1869-1912**

Pugh, M., 2011.

**Liberal Decline: the Case of Partick 1918-1924**

Pugh, M., Aug 2004, (Accepted/In press) 71 p.

## Activities

**'No Authority Which Cares for its Citizens Can Afford to Ignore the Threat': Scotland and the Nuclear Free Local Authorities Organisation Since 1980**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)

22 May 2021

**Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland (External organisation)**

Michael Pugh (Member)

21 Aug 2020 → ...

**Take your teaching online (Badge and Certificate of Participation)**

Michael Pugh (Participant)

30 Jun 2020

**Democracy@101**

Michael Pugh (Organiser), Colin Clark (Keynote/plenary speaker), Vanesa Fuentes (Chair), Ewan Gibbs (Chair) & Mark McNally (Chair)

20 Mar 2019

**Engaging with Government: Alumni Panel and Dinner 2019**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)

6 Mar 2019

**Engaging Parliaments with Research GCRF - UKRI AHRC event, Houses of Parliament, Westminster**

Michael Pugh (Invited speaker)

1 Mar 2019

**Oxford University Press (Publisher)**

Michael Pugh (Peer reviewer)

1 Dec 2018 → 4 Feb 2019

**Engaging with Government**

Michael Pugh (Invited speaker)

7 Mar 2018 → 8 Mar 2018

**Govan: The Once Proud Burgh Part 3**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)

3 May 2017

**Edinburgh University Press (Publisher)**

Michael Pugh (Peer reviewer)

7 Apr 2017

**Govan: the once proud burgh part 2**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)

29 Mar 2017

**UWS-Oxfam Partnership Policy Forum**

Chik Collins (Organiser), Hartwig Pautz (Organiser), Ewan Gibbs (Organiser), Michael Pugh (Organiser), Francis Stuart (Chair), John Foster (Invited speaker), Ann Henderson (Invited speaker), Patricia Findlay (Invited speaker), Bryan Simpson (Invited speaker), John Connolly (Participant) & Claire Harkins (Participant)

22 Mar 2017

**Govan: The Once Proud Burgh Part 1**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)  
8 Feb 2017

**Engaging with Government**

Michael Pugh (Invited speaker)  
8 Mar 2016 → 10 Mar 2016

**PSA/BISA 7th Annual Learning and Teaching Conference**

Michael Pugh (Speaker)  
16 Sep 2014 → 17 Sep 2014

**Executive Committee Member, Social History Society of the United Kingdom**

Michael Pugh (Examiner)  
1 Apr 2014 → 1 Apr 2017

**Prizes**

**Best Personal Tutor - nominated**

Pugh, Michael (Recipient), 31 Mar 2010

**Innovative Teaching Award - shortlisted**

Pugh, Michael (Recipient), 31 Mar 2014

**'Lecturer of the 21st Century' (UWS Students' Association Lecturer of the Year) - shortlisted**

Pugh, Michael (Recipient), 31 Mar 2010

**STARS nomination for outstanding service to colleagues**

Pugh, Michael (Recipient), 31 Mar 2014

**Press/Media**

**Member - History and Policy Network**

Michael Pugh  
30/06/14  
1 Media contribution

**Mentioned in AHRC and Institute for Government Newsletter**

Michael Pugh  
6/12/17  
1 item of Media coverage

**Obituary: Fiona Veitch 1962-2017, Political Studies Association News**

Michael Pugh  
4/10/17  
1 Media contribution

**The Great British Story: A People's History of Britain**

Michael Pugh  
24/03/14  
1 Media contribution

**The system is broken. Real local government is long overdue**

Michael Pugh

8/05/12

1 item of Media coverage

## **Awards**

**100 years of Democracy in the UK?**

Pugh, M.

Social History Society: £500.00

1/10/18 → 31/03/19

## **Projects**

### **Impacts**

**Quoted in Briefing To Scottish Parliament Local Government and Regeneration Committee**

Michael Pugh (Participant) & John Connolly (Participant)