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Previous employment

- 2018-2021 Senior Lecturer, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Sheffield.
- 2016-2017 Lecturer, Department of Politics, University of Sheffield.
- 2013-2016 Faculty Research Fellow, Faculty of Social Sciences/Department of Politics, University of Sheffield.
- 2009-2012 Research Fellow, Department of International Politics, Aberystwyth University.
- 2006-2008 Lecturer (fixed term), Department of International Politics, Aberystwyth University.
- 2004-2006 Research Assistant, Department of International Politics, Aberystwyth University.

Other roles and affiliations

- 2020- Visiting Faculty, Manmohan Memorial Institute of Health Sciences, Nepal.
- 2019- Senior Fellow, Center for Global Health Security and Diplomacy, Ottawa.
- 2012- External Associate, Centre for Global Health Histories, University of York.

Education & qualifications

- 2000-2004 PhD International Politics, University of Wales, Aberystwyth.
Thesis title: 'The United Nations Secretariat and Norm Entrepreneurship: The Promotion of Democracy in International Society'.
- 1999-2000 MA International Law & Politics, University of Hull.
- 1996-1999 LLB Law & Politics, University of Hull.

RESEARCH

Awards

- 2021 ESRC Outstanding Societal Impact Award, awarded to the Improbable Dialogues team (Rushton as PI).

Publications

Books

- Jefferson Jaramillo Marín, Luz Mery López, Adriel Ruiz Galvan, Matthew Louis Bishop, Juan Mario Díaz, Juan Miguel Kanai, Melanie Lombard, [Simon Rushton](#), Anastasia Shesterinina, Henry Staples & Helen Louise Turton. *Participating in Peace: Violence, Development and Dialogue in Colombia*. Forthcoming: Bristol University Press, July 2023.
- Simon Rushton. *Security and Public Health* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 2019).
- Sara Davies, Adam Kamradt-Scott & [Simon Rushton](#), *Disease Diplomacy: International Norms and Global Health Security* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2015).
- Colin McInnes, Adam Kamradt-Scott, Kelley Lee, Anne Roemer-Mahler, [Simon Rushton](#) & Owain David Williams, *The Transformation of Global Health Governance* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014).

Edited books

- Anne Roemer-Mahler & Simon Rushton (eds), *The International Politics of Ebola* (Abingdon: Routledge, 2017).
- Simon Rushton & Jeremy Youde (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Global Health Security*. (Abingdon: Routledge, 2014).
- Simon Rushton & Owain David Williams (eds), *Partnerships and Foundations in Global Health Governance* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011).

Journal Special Issues/Sections

- Simon Rushton & Maike Voss (Guest Editors), 'The United Nations Security Council and health emergencies'. Special Section in *Australian Journal of International Affairs* (2022). Online first.
- Anne Roemer-Mahler & Simon Rushton (Guest Editors), 'The International Politics of Ebola'. Special issue of *Third World Quarterly* vol.37(3) (March 2016). [Republished as Anne Roemer-Mahler & Simon Rushton (eds), *The International Politics of Ebola* (Abingdon: Routledge, 2017)].

Journal articles (selected)

- Simon Rushton, 'Can we rely on the Security Council during health emergencies?', *Australian Journal of International Affairs*. Online First, January 2022.
- Jefferson Jaramillo Marín, Simon Rushton, Juan Mario Díaz & Daniela Mosquera Camacho. 'Diálogo Social Territorial: Contribuciones teórico-prácticas desde la experiencia de Buenaventura, Colombia'. *Colombia Internacional*. 109 (January 2022): 59-87.
- Clare Wenham, Matthew Kavanagh, Alexandra Phelan, Simon Rushton, Maike Voss, Sam Halabi, Mark Eccleston-Turner & Mara Pillinger. 'Problems with traffic light approaches to public health emergencies of international concern', *The Lancet* 397(10287) (May 15 2021): 1856-1858.
- Simon Rushton, Julie Balen, Olivia Crane, Bhimsen Devkota & Sudha Ghimire, 'Re-examining critiques of resilience policy: Evidence from Barpak after the 2015 earthquakes in Nepal'. *Disasters* 46(3) (July 2022): 768-790.
- Simon Rushton & Bhimsen Devkota. 'Choosing not to weaponize healthcare: Politics and health service delivery during Nepal's civil war, 1996-2006'. *Medicine, Conflict & Survival* 36(3) (2020): 212-231.
- Adam Ferhani & Simon Rushton, 'The International Health Regulations, COVID-19, and bordering practices: Who gets in, what gets out, and who gets rescued?', *Contemporary Security Policy* 41(3) (2020): 458-477.
- Sara E. Davies & Simon Rushton, 'Public Health Emergencies: a new peacekeeping mission? Insights from UNMIL's role in the Liberia Ebola outbreak', *Third World Quarterly* 37(3) (March 2016): 419-435.
- Simon Rushton, 'The Politics of Researching Global Health Politics; Comment on "Knowledge, Moral Claims and the Exercise of Power in Global Health"', *International Journal of Health Policy and Management* 4(5) (2015): 311-314.
- Colin McInnes and Simon Rushton, 'Health for Health's Sake, Winning for God's Sake: US global health diplomacy and smart power in Iraq and Afghanistan', *Review of International Studies* 40(5) (December 2014): 835 - 857.
- Colin McInnes and Simon Rushton, 'HIV/AIDS and Securitization Theory', *European Journal of International Relations* 19(1) (March 2013), pp.115-138.
- Simon Rushton and Owain David Williams, 'Frames, Paradigms and Power: Global Health Policy-Making under Neoliberalism', *Global Society* 26:2 (April 2012), pp.147-167.

Research grants (selected)

- 2020-2021: 'Living in the city: Building collaborations to strengthen health systems to respond to the needs of newly urbanised populations in Africa and Asia'. NIHR Global Health Policy and Systems Research Development Awards 2019. £99,650. NIHR130103. PIs: Simon Rushton and Manish Baidya (PHASE Nepal)
- 2020-2024: 'The impact of federalisation on Nepal's health system: a longitudinal analysis'. DFID/ESRC/MRC/Wellcome Health Systems Research Initiative Round 6. £984,175 (FEC) (Research Councils contribution: £809,040). MR/T023554/1. PIs: Simon Rushton and Julie Balen (SchARR, University of Sheffield).
- 2019-2021: 'Determinants of health in rural Nepal: Utilising PHASE Nepal data to investigate social inequalities in health and healthcare amongst under-5s'. UKRI GCRF NGO Secondary Data Analysis Scheme. ES/T010436/1. £173,172 (FEC) (ESRC contribution: £161,402). PI: Simon Rushton
- 2018-2020: 'Improbable Dialogues: Participatory Research as a Strategy for Reconciliation'. Newton RCUK-Colciencias Research Partnership Call 2017. ES/R01096X/1. £502,763 (£392,763 (FEC) UK (ESRC contribution: £314,210); £110,000 Colombia). PIs: Simon Rushton and Jefferson Jaramillo (Pontifical University Javeriana, Colombia).
- 2017-2018: 'Resilience Policymaking in Nepal: giving voice to communities'. ESRC-DFID Development Frontiers Research Scheme. ES/R000514/1. £297,906 (FEC) (ESRC contribution: £239,563). PI: Simon Rushton.

SERVICE

Departmental positions

- 2021- Director of Research and Deputy Head of Department.
2016-2019 Director of Undergraduate Recruitment.
2014-2015 Convenor, International Politics Research Group.

University and Faculty positions

- 2020- Member, University ESRC Peer Review Panel.
2020-2021 Chair, University Working Group on Safeguarding in Research.
2019-2025 Elected Member, University Senate.
2015-2019 Management Committee member and Health theme leader, Sheffield Institute for International Development (SIID).
2015-2016 Member, Faculty of Social Sciences Disciplinary and Appeals Committee.

Professional service

- 2016-2022 Executive Committee member, International Studies Association Global Health Section.
2013-2016 Secretary, International Studies Association Global Health Section.
2009-2017 Editor, *Medicine, Conflict and Survival*.