

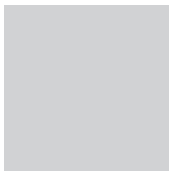
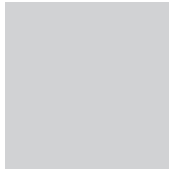
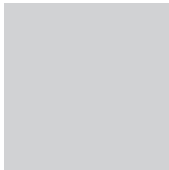
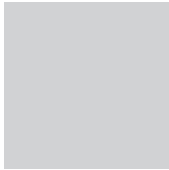
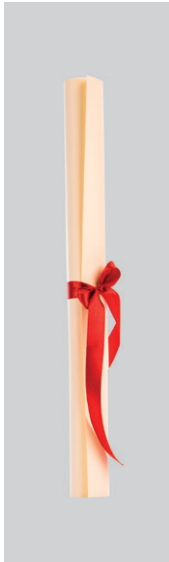
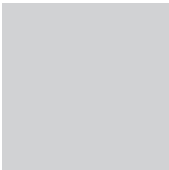
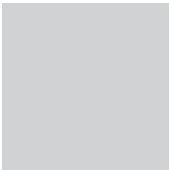
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND LAW

INAUGURAL RESEARCH AWARDS CEREMONY 2019



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Dear Colleagues,

I welcome you all here today for our Inaugural Research Awards Ceremony.

The researcher awards ceremony recognises research excellence of the College of Business and Law's academic researchers. The awards are made to researchers who have made exceptional and very influential research contributions, enhanced knowledge, and raised the national and international research profile of the College. Over recent years the College has witnessed a significant increase in the quantity and quality of research activity. This has occurred across all researcher stages from Early Career to Advanced. This ceremony serves to acknowledge these contributions of the specific award winners along with the work of the many academics who are contributing to the research profile of the College. The ceremony also speaks to the soon-to-be launched College Research Strategy in which the acknowledgement of research excellence is central. We look forward to many more College Research Award ceremonies in the coming years which will acknowledge future research contributions.

The College recognises researchers in the following categories: Early Career, Mid-Career and Advanced research as well as recognising Research Teams.

To the recipients I congratulate you and wish you continued success in your career.

Professor Ursula Kilkelly
Head, College of Business and Law



Early Career Researchers of the Year

Dr Carol Kelleher (CUBS/ Department of Management & Marketing)

Dr Kelleher's fully accepted article in the Journal of Service Research is a highly impressive achievement. This journal has an impact factor of 6.8 and is ranked 4 Star in the Association of Business School (ABS) journal rankings and is widely considered the world's leading service journal. A previous article published by Carol in this journal has had a significant impact and reached 400 citations in Google Scholar to date. She's also fully engaged in interdisciplinary research and currently co-chairs UCC's ISS21 caring working group. Her work also encompasses policy and through her IRC New Foundations POSTCARE grant she has collaborated with national health and career organisations.

Dr Stephen Coutts (School of Law)

Dr Coutts has made an exceptional contribution to scholarship over the last 12 months, which has greatly strengthened the research profile of the College along with that of the School of Law. In this period, Dr Coutts has consolidated his position as one of Ireland's leading scholars in EU law. He is now firmly established as an internationally-recognised scholar for his work on EU law, particularly constitutional and citizenship related aspects. In the last 12 months alone, Dr Coutts has had an article accepted in the premier journal on EU Law, the Common Market Law Review, ranked A* (the highest ranking) by the ERA. He has also published an article in the A-ranked Northern Ireland Legal Quarterly and had an important piece of work on the Euro crisis accepted for publication in Ireland's oldest and most important peer-reviewed law journal, the Irish Jurist.

Mid Career Researchers of the Year

Dr Ciara Heavin (CUBS/ Business Information Systems)

Dr Heavin's research profile continues to grow nationally and internationally. In the last year Ciara has published one book, ten journal papers and two ranked conference papers. These publications have concentrated on a wide range of topics such as health information technology throughout the world including the Global South, gender aspects of information technology usage and data-based decision making and digital transformations. Ciara has an exceptional research funding record and has generated funding as a Principal Investigator from leading funding national and international

funding agencies including Irish Research Council, European Commission and Wellcome Trust. Ciara's research leadership has been exceptional in the areas of research integrity (CUBS Research Integrity Champion), research ethics (Social Research Ethics Committee member) and equality and inclusion (Athena Swan Chair for CUBS). She has also supervised three PhDs to completion and leads the PhD Programme in BIS.

Dr Aileen Murphy (CUBS/ Department of Economics)

Dr Murphy's scholarship focuses on examining the cost effectiveness and affordability of innovations for businesses and organisations in the health area, wherein she demonstrates high end quantitative skills. The impact of her research is evident through the successful multi-disciplinary academic and industry network she has established; her excellent publication record in high impact journals (27 peer reviewed journal articles) and her exceptional record of securing competitive research funding.

In 2018-19 Aileen had an exceptional publishing record with 11 peer reviewed manuscripts published/accepted for publication, including two which are akin to 3 star Association of Business School Journal Rankings (Value in Health & BMJ Open) and three with impact factors over 2 (BMJ Open, Value in Health & Journal of Advanced Nursing). Aileen's success in generating funded research as a Principal Investigator and Co-Investigator from funders such as the Health Research Board and Health Service Executive has allowed for the development of highly innovative interdisciplinary collaborations, especially with colleagues in the field of medicine.

Researchers of the Year

Dr Conor O'Mahony (School of Law)

The award appropriately recognises Dr. O'Mahony's impressive research performance during the period under review, including excellent scholarly publications, management of significant funding projects and wide-ranging policy impact. His impressive publication activity for 2018-19 includes accepted works in journals of the highest international standing, including Human Rights Law Review; International Journal of Children's Rights; European Human Rights Law Review, and Child and Family Social Work. The quality of his scholarship is attested to by the invitations that

he has received to contribute to significant collections published by two of the top publishing houses for Law (Hart and OUP). His knowledge exchange and policy work has had much impact and included addresses to the Oireachtas Committee on Justice and Equality. Conor's research career to date has been of one immense depth and range and he continues to flourish as a research leader in the College.

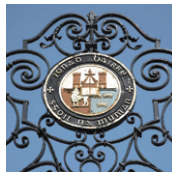
Prof. Mary McCarthy (CUBS/ Department of Management & Marketing)

As a leading researcher in the area of consumer food behaviour Mary focuses on the social marketing and business consequences of such behaviours. Her research excellence is demonstrated through her active leadership role in national and international research teams, publication record in food, health and general business journals (over 70 journal articles and book chapters), and securing of over €1.5m in research funding to date. She has had over 15 funded research projects involving external partnerships and successfully supervised 28 Postgraduate Research students (5 PhD, 23 MScRes) and has been an invited speaker at national and international conferences/seminars. Her most recent funding success was from the SUSFOOD 2, an Horizon 2020 initiative.

Research Team of the Year

The Spatial and Regional Economics Research Centre (SRERC) has established itself, within 18 months of its establishment, as a leading centre for the study of regional and urban economic development in Ireland with global recognition. The centre's research team is prolific, in terms of quantity and quality of research outputs, and in 2018 eighteen journal articles and seven working papers were published. The Centre has also much success in generating research grants and is involved in research projects funded by SFI, EPA, ESRC (UK), and Cork County and City Councils.

The centre is very active in building networks with international regional scientists, most obviously through the hosting of the European Regional Science Association annual congress in Cork in August 2018, which brought over 700 delegates from 45 countries, the largest conference held in Cork to date.



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