



Your monthly update of news, views and interviews from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS).

This month we focus on some of the new modules that will be available for the first time this Autumn. Karen Foley speaks to Dr Stephanie Taylor, Dr Catriona Havard, Dr Kesi Mahendran and Dr Siobhan Campbell to find out about these new modules: DD317, DD310, DD801 and A803.

To listen to the full edition, please click [here](#).



### Dr Stephanie Taylor

Stephanie Taylor is a Senior Lecturer in Psychology and the Team Chair for the new module DD317 'Advancing social psychology' which starts in October. Stephanie talks to Karen in detail about what students can expect when studying this exciting new module. She also encourages people to engage with their [blog](#) which focuses on the main themes of DD317.

If you want to know more then please listen to Stephanie's fascinating interview on the [PodMag](#). The DD317 FASS Showcase video is available to watch on [YouTube](#).

Registration closes on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 so please visit the [DD317 webpage](#) to enrol.



### Dr Catriona Havard

Karen talks to one of the Module Team Chairs of DD310 'Counselling and forensic psychology: investigating crime and therapy', Catriona Havard. In this module they've combined forensic psychology and counselling psychology. Catriona tell us about the broad range of topics and the innovative assessment approach they've incorporated.

To find out whether DD310 is the next module for you listen to Catriona's interview on the [PodMag](#). You can also watch the DD310 FASS Showcase video on [YouTube](#). Please visit the [DD310 webpage](#) to register, before it's too late.



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## Diary

### Ceremony booking opens

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Full details can be found on the [ceremonies webpage](#):

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### Student Hub Live Event Results and Progression

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July  
10am – 3pm

Are you ready for your next module/s? Student hub live is bringing you a live and interactive event, which will focus on moving forward with studying.

For full details and to join visit: [Student Hub Live](#)

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### 2017J Registration Close

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September



## Dr Kesi Mahendran

Kesi Mahendran is a Lecturer in Social Psychology and Team Chair for the first level masters module DD801 'Social and psychological inquiry'. In the interview with Karen, Kesi talks about the exciting

development in PostGraduate study. She explains what key values and skills studying a Masters provides and why DD801 is a great first step onto a Masters Qualification.

To find out more about the three new qualifications F73, F74 and F75 and the criteria required for applying for these Master Modules, please listen to Kesi's full interview on the [PodMag](#).

The DD801 FASS Showcase video is available to watch on [YouTube](#). The deadline to register is fast approaching so visit the [DD801 webpage](#) if you wish to study this in 2017J.

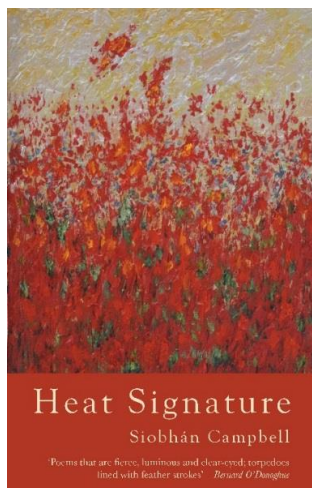


## Dr Siobhan Campbell

Siobhan Campbell is a Lecturer in Creative Writing and Chair of the new module A803 'MA Creative Writing part 2. Siobhan talks about this module which is part two in the MA in Creative Writing. She tells us what students can expect when they study this totally online 120 credit module. Find out how students will interact with peers and about the continuous feedback provided from tutors throughout the whole year.

Listen to the full interview on the [PodMag](#). Watch the A803 FASS Showcase video on [YouTube](#). The [A803 webpage](#) is where you can register on this module.

You may also be interested in Siobhan Campbell's latest collection of poetry *Heat Signature* which is packed full of her lively poems.



## FASS online community



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## Students Have your say

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Would you like to be interviewed yourself and tell your story? If so, please contact us on

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