

Covert Research: The Art, Politics and Ethics of Undercover Fieldwork, 2017
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The book is located with a rather niche and specialized area within ethnography, social research and qualitative methodology fields. My sole authored monograph has been regarded as a timely and a robust investigation of a marginalized field at a time when ethical regulation is regarded seriously by many universities. Moreover, the book also contributes to the small field of private security and the night-time economy. The book has recently received three positive book reviews (see below) from the UK, USA and Brazil respectively:

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/symb.362>

<http://jswve.org/download/15-1/15-1-book-reviews/74-Book-Review-Covert-research-15-1.pdf>

<http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/1350507618772127>

Although some elements of the book are more textbook orientated, the granulated and extensive literature review, reflective case study, historical grounding and associated range of methodological discussions display rigour, significance and originality. The book consolidates my esteem within the field and builds on previous publications and high citations in the field. As a direct result of the publication of the book and esteem marker, I have had several publication invites including two online publications and three forthcoming encyclopedia entrants (respectively listed below):

-‘Don’t mention the c-word: covert research and the stifling ethics regime in the social sciences’ in the Australasian Human Research Ethics Consultancy Services (AHRECS), which was published online on 5th February 2018. AHRECS reaches a wide audience of academics, policy makers and practitioners.

<https://ahrecs.com/human-research-ethics/dont-mention-c-word-covert-research-stifling-ethics-regime-social-sciences>

-‘Covert Ethnography in Criminal Justice and Criminology: The Controversial Tradition of Doing Undercover Fieldwork’, Online publication, February 2018, The Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice

DOI: 10.1093/acrefore/9780190264079.013.296 (Editor in Chief Professor Henry Pontell, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York)

<http://criminology.oxfordre.com/view/10.1093/acrefore/9780190264079.001.0001/acrefore-9780190264079-e-296>

‘Covert Participant Observation’, *The Encyclopedia of Research Methods and Statistical Techniques in Criminology and Criminal Justice*, John Wiley and Sons, Edited by Professor J. C. Barnes (School of Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati) and Professor David R Forde (Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of North Florida), forthcoming 2019

‘Deception’, *The Handbook of Research Ethics and Integrity*, Springer, Edited by Dr Ron Iphofen (Social Research Association), forthcoming 2019

‘Covert research’, *The Sage Encyclopedia of Research Methods*, Edited by Professor Paul Atkinson, Dr Sara Delamont, Dr Melissa Hardy and Professor Malcolm Williams (University of Cardiff), London: Sage, forthcoming 2019