



# Centre for Social Science Research



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## ABOUT THE CSSR

The Centre for Social Science Research (CSSR) is an interdisciplinary research centre at the University of Cape Town dedicated to conducting and building capacity for systematic, policy-relevant social science research in South Africa, the region and across Africa. Substantively, the CSSR conducts research in the broad areas of development, poverty, public health, safety and violence, and social relationships and intimacy. The CSSR presently consists of the Adolescent Accelerators Research Hub (AARHub), the Safety and Violence Initiative (SaVI), and the Sustainable Societies Unit (SSU) as well as a small Directorate. Methodologically, our research is empirical and problem-driven. We utilise both quantitative and qualitative strategies of data collection. CSSR projects are usually team-oriented, bringing together multiple local and international researchers, and offering post-graduate students significant opportunities for hands-on training by involving them in all stages of projects. Research findings are presented and discussed at regular weekly seminars and published as CSSR Working Papers.

## Seminars and workshops

- 22 February: Clifford Bob (Duquesne University): "Rights as weapons"
- 1 March: Bob Mattes (formerly CSSR, now Strathclyde): "Who contacts whom? Political parties' canvassing strategies in Africa"
- 8 March: Dr Hillary Musarurwa (CSSR): "The psychological impact of COVID-19 on adolescent girls in Zimbabwe after an outbreak at their boarding school"
- 15 March: Jacob Ulrich (Roskilde): "Aid-financed scaling up of cash transfers"
- 22 March: Dr Primrose Bimha (IDCPPA): "Opposition party weakness in Zimbabwe"
- 6 April: Beatrice Conradie (CSSR): "Climate change and the outlook for food security"
- 12 April: IDCPPA Virtual Conference on the Legacy of Dr Zola Skweyiya, Minister of Social Development 1999-2009
- 19 April: Doruk Isicki (CSSR): "Civil society and the construction of the 'nation': Charitable organisations in Cape Town"
- 26 April: Martina Muchenga (CSSR): "Measuring health quality in resource-poor settings: Within-consultation comparisons of antenatal care quality assessments via patient exit interviews and expert direct observations in Malawi"
- 10 May: Hlengiwe Sacolo (CSSR): "Stakeholder perspective on the implementation of parenting interventions in Botswana: a consensus study using an online nominal group technique"
- 17 May: Roger Southall: *Whites and democracy in South Africa* (discussion of new book)
- 24 May: Justin Pearce (Stellenbosch): "Cold War solidarity, and the politics of the Angolan military"
- 7 June: Bolade Banougnin (CSSR): "Mobile phone use and HIV/sexual risk in adolescents"
- 14 June: Jane Kelly and Charne Glinski (CSSR): "Reflections of public healthcare nurses during the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Eastern Cape"
- 21 June: Wylene Saal (CSSR): "Social support attenuates the syndemic of poor HIV care and stigma on suicidal tendencies among South African young women living with HIV"
- 16 August: Sishuwa Sishuwa (IDCPPA) and Duncan Money (Leiden): "Racial nationalism, defamation of the president, and the Roy Clarke satirical affair in Zambia"
- 23 August: Tim Murithi (IJR/IDCPPA): *Elections, violence and transitional justice in Africa* (discussion of new book)
- 30 August: AIDS conference presentations
- 6 September: Cathy Ward (CSSR): "Parenting programmes to prevent violence against children: Limitations and prospects" and Natalie Davidson (CSSR): "Including VAW prevention in parent training for parents and teens"
- 13 September: Wanga Zembe-Mkabile (SAMRC): "The role of disrupted parenting in the health and wellbeing of adolescent girls and young women in KZN and Cape Town, South Africa"
- 20 September: Courtney Hallink (Cambridge): "Social protection for unemployed South Africans"
- 27 September: Jeremy Seekings (CSSR) and Rachel Yates (Accelerate Hub): "Researching social protection"
- 4 October: Jess Auerbach (UCT GSB): "The middle class in Angola"
- 11 October: Darren Janz (Visiting in the Afrobarometer Data Management Team): "Solidarity on the move: Reassessing traditional authority and the bloc vote in South Africa"
- 18 October: Kate Bergh (South African Medical Research Council): "Findings from HerStory2: A process evaluation of a large-scale combination HIV prevention programme for adolescent girls and young women in South Africa"
- 19 October: IDCPPA workshop on the SADC mission in Mozambique
- 1 November: Lorraine van Blerk (University of Dundee): "Intersections of time, emotion and language in young Congolese and Somali refugee experiences in Uganda: Impacts on arrival and everyday futures"
- 8 November: Guy Lamb (Stellenbosch): *Policing and boundaries in a violent society* (new book discussion)
- 15 November: Dr Wanga Zembe-Mkabile and Dr Zoe Duby (South African Medical Research Council): "Qualitative research experiences in the MRC's Health Systems Research Unit"
- 22 November: Jeremy Seekings (CSSR): "Covid-19 and social protection in Africa: A case-study of Botswana"
- 6 December: Michael Aeby (Edinburgh): "Implementing African peace agreements: Insights from Kenya, South Sudan and Zimbabwe"
- 6 December: Andre du Toit et al: *Amnesty chronicles: The inner history of the amnesty negotiations during the South African transition, and the origins of the TRC's amnesty process* (Panel discussion of new book with Lungisile Ntsebeza, Deborah Posel, Hlonipha Mokoena and Hugh Corder)

# CSSR Director's Report for 2022

The CSSR finally resumed most in-person activities during 2022 after almost two years of disruption due to COVID. It seems that post-COVID activity will never simply revert to its pre-COVID state: We fly less, we work at home more, more of our activities are online. But it was an immense relief to resume the kinds of person-to-person interactions that are so essential to the work of a research institute like the CSSR.

By the end of 2022 the CSSR was once again a tangible hive of activity. The CSSR is home to about fifteen researchers, twenty-five employed Research Assistants (most of whom are students) as well as about twenty Master's and PhD students on scholarships, and about ten administrative staff. We hold no less than thirty Tuesday lunchtime seminars (shared with the Institute for Democracy, Citizenship and Public Policy in Africa, IDCPPA), as well as various workshops and conferences. We are involved in extensive data collection, analysis and outreach. During 2022, CSSR researchers authored or co-authored almost fifty journal articles as well as eleven book chapters and Working Papers.

Most of the CSSR's work is based in the Adolescent Accelerators Research Hub, led by Elona Toska. The CSSR has long been engaged in research among adolescents, using both quantitative and qualitative methods and data, but this research has expanded greatly through the 'AARHub'. The Hub continues with long-running research projects in the Eastern Cape at the same time as launching new projects far beyond South Africa's borders, including in West, East and Southern Africa. New projects include partnerships with adolescents in Kenya (through the Teen Advisory Group study which was ongoing and closed out in 2022), work on gender-based violence in Zambia, and work funded by the Global Fund in five African countries (Cameroon, eSwatini, Lesotho, Kenya, and Mozambique).

During 2022, the Safety and Violence Initiative (SaVI) was resuscitated under the leadership of Cathy Ward. The unit's focus is on how parenting can improve the prospects for children and adolescents to enjoy safe, healthy and rewarding lives, and the unit serves as one of the institutional homes of the Global Parenting Initiative, a multi-year research partnership with the University of Oxford.

The Sustainable Societies Unit (SSU) continues to produce a steady stream of research, primarily on agricultural and human-wildlife conflict in the Western Cape. The unit is fully involved in the *Khusela Ikamva* initiative to promote environmental sustainability in our own backyard: UCT. After years of work on sustainability elsewhere in the Western Cape, it is high time to interrogate our own practices (including the management of 'pest' species) and develop new ways of doing things sustainably.

We are very grateful to the funders who have made possible our work during 2022: LEGO Foundation, Oak Foundation, Grand Challenges Research Fund (GCRF), the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (the Global Fund), Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, European Research Council, UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), National Research Fund (South Africa), National Institute of Health (USA), Grand Challenges Canada (GCC Stars) and the University of Cape Town (through *Khusela Ikamva*, the COVID-19-Related Financial Relief for Soft-Funded Staff in Research Posts programme and the VC 2030 Future Leader's Award).

This is my twelfth and final report as Director of the CSSR. It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with successive cohorts of younger researchers within the CSSR. For most of the past six years I have doubled up as 'Interim' or 'Acting' Director of the IDCPPA, which grew out of the CSSR as a separate institute and continues to share various facilities with the CSSR. Whilst most of my own research – and my team of researchers – is based in the IDCPPA, we look forward to a continued close relationship between the IDCPPA and CSSR.



*Jeremy Seekings.*  
Jeremy Seekings (Director)

# Adolescent Accelerators Research Hub



2022 was a busy year for the Adolescent Accelerators Research Hub (AARHub), under the leadership of Associate Professor Elona Toska. Following two years of substantial change, including a considerable flux in our team size, we began new research, welcomed new staff and students, shared findings with colleagues and policy makers both locally and internationally, and received recognition for our work.

Our research covers a broad spectrum of themes which relate to improving the lives of adolescents in resource-limited settings, including:

- Risks and vulnerabilities among older children, adolescents and young people;
- Adolescents living with and affected by HIV/AIDS;
- Young parents and healthy parenting; and
- Peer and community health working support to improve adolescent outcomes.

Our team applies a wide range of methodological and conceptual approaches to this work, namely:

- Qualitative/formative research;
- Quantitative cohort studies;
- Secondary data analysis;
- Costing and modelling;
- Implementation science/intervention design and testing; and
- Policy and advocacy engagement.



The AARHub's primary research consists of several ongoing research projects, many of which are together with our strong, long-term collaborative partner the University of Oxford, including **HEY BABY** (Helping Empower Youth Brought Up in Adversity with their Babies and Young children), **ABCD** (Ask-Boost-Connect-Discuss – a peer-led psychosocial support intervention for young people living with HIV), **Mzantsi Wakho/UPLIFT** – a collaboration with the National Institute for Communicable Diseases / National Laboratory Health Services, and a collaboration with the **Global Fund's Adolescent Girls and Young Women Strategic Initiative** to support AGYW HIV incidence reduction and optimal HIV-related outcomes in five target countries (Cameroon, eSwatini, Kenya, Lesotho, and Mozambique).

We share project-specific updates below, but some of our general unit highlights for the year include:

- Our team has had 27 manuscripts accepted for publication in 2022, with two additional first-authored papers in the final phase of acceptance in two international journals: PLOS One and AIDS & Behaviour.
- A/Prof. Elona Toska has continued in several high-level advisory roles, including membership in the Prevention Task Team of the South African National AIDS Council. Elona was featured in a [UCT news article](#) in August as part of their series for Women's Month. In October, she was invited to be one of a dozen members of the Global Coordinating Committee for the [Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Global Forum for Adolescents](#), hosted by the World Health Organization.
- We continue to advise and mentor many postgraduate students. In 2022, A/Prof. Elona Toska supervised three Honours students (to completion), three Master's students, and nine Doctoral candidates, and mentored three Postdoctoral Research Fellows at the University of Cape Town, Oxford and the London School for Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM). Junior Research Fellow Dr Lucas Hertzog Ramos supervised one Honours student, one Master's student, both at UCT, and one Doctoral candidate at the University of Oxford. Research Officer Dr Jane Kelly supervised three Honours students and mentored one Postdoctoral Research Fellow. She provides further mentorship advice and support to two Doctoral candidates and one Master's student.
- Doctoral candidate Silinganisiwe Dzumbunu (co-supervised in UCT's Centre for Actuarial Research with Prof Tom Moultrie) was [awarded a prestigious fellowship](#) by the Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA) in September (pictured below). Her research focuses on the empowerment of adolescents and reproductive experiences over the life-course.
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow Dr Bolade Banougnin (pictured below) together with Elona Toska were the successful recipients of an NIH Supplement Award, building on existing research about reducing HIV acquisition among young women living with HIV, to further investigate the syndemic of violence and early motherhood.
- We hosted two writing retreats in 2022 (pictured below) with support from the UKRI GCRF and the UCT 2030 Future Leaders award. These retreats provided focused, dedicated, and mentored writing time for 27 researchers ranging from student research assistants to lead research officers and visiting academics.



Silinganisiwe Dzumbunu



Dr Bolade Banougnin



En route to a writing retreat



At a writing retreat



Dr Lucas Hertzog Ramos (shown at the IASSIST conference in June 2022) received a fellowship award from the International Association for Social Science Information Service and Technology (IASSIST). He presented work and participated in a panel discussion in Gothenburg (Sweden).

## Finding Accelerators through Secondary daTa analysis (FAST):

In 2022 the FAST team has progressed with quantitative secondary data analysis using multiple national representative datasets. Using data from the 2019 Namibia VACS (the CDC’s violence against children survey), the team finalised a manuscript focusing on provisions to advance multiple SDG targets for adolescents. Also being revised is a manuscript using Zimbabwe VACS, where FAST researchers identified three provisions with multiple positive impacts on adolescents' health outcomes. Additional analysis capitalising on VACS Lesotho, PHIA (population-based HIV impact assessment) Cameroon, and MICS (multiple indicator cluster survey) Malawi and Zimbabwe are being finalised, and manuscripts are being written.

The team engaged with multilateral organisations such as UNICEF, and presented their work for multiple country colleagues (Lesotho and Zimbabwe, and the team is preparing a presentation in Namibia) and at academic conferences such as the 2022 Annual Meeting of the International Sociological Association.



Ask → Boost  
Connect → Discuss

## ABCD, and Screen and Support:

We continue to work closely with a long-term collaborating organisation, Paediatric-Adolescent Treatment Africa (PATA), which is a key partner on the ground in Zambia, supporting the needs of young women living with HIV through a network of trained, experienced peer supporters.

In 2022, we held a series of community conversations with diverse groups of stakeholders to discuss barriers to support for gender-based violence (GBV) for young women, and to co-develop strategies for improving violence screening and referrals. These findings will be integrated into the Screen and Support package, which will be developed to support clinic-embedded peer supporters to effectively screen and refer their clients for GBV support.



Researchers Chanda Mwamba (left), Dr Chipo Mutambo (third from the right), and Dr Christina Laurenzi (right) with adolescent girls and young women from Zambia





The HEY BABY project had a productive and exciting year. We successfully completed follow up quantitative data collection with over 80% of our cohort of adolescent mothers, and plans are underway to conduct follow up data collection with their children in 2023. We also collected data from over half of our Mzantsi Wakho male cohort, and plan to complete data collection in early 2023. In addition, qualitative data was collected from some of our HEY BABY mothers, focused on their experiences of mental health and of accessing health services for their children, led by Master's student Chuma Busakhwe. As part of these data collection activities, we participated in fieldwork ethics training (Picture 1) led by Lulama Sidloyi and Bongive Saliwe, our HEY BABY Study Manager and Project Manager. We also conducted a follow up study with healthcare workers based at public health clinics in the Eastern Cape, focusing on their experiences of providing HIV and sexual and reproductive health services to adolescents and young people, and building on research conducted in 2020. Two Honours students (Picture 2), Philani Myende (left) and Rachel Joska (middle), co-supervised by Dr Jane Kelly (second from left) and Prof Catherine Ward, completed their projects as part of this research.



Members of our team were also fortunate to attend the AIDS 2022 Conference in Montreal (Canada), where they made several oral and poster presentations. This included an oral presentation by Doctoral candidate Siyanai Zhou and Prof. Lucie Cluver (Oxford) looking at the impacts of intimate partner violence on antiretroviral adherence amongst adolescents, which won the Health Innovation Prize at the conference (Picture 3). Dr Wylene Saal, a quantitative Research Officer for the HEY BABY study, made an oral presentation focusing on the mental health outcomes of young people living with HIV. Our HEY BABY and Mzantsi Wakho teams also made 12 poster and oral presentations at the HIV and Adolescence Workshop this year (Picture 4).



In November 2022, our HEY BABY team, in collaboration with the Health and Sciences Faculty at the University of Fort Hare, hosted a Satellite Spoke for the PATA Summit. Our fieldwork team members shared findings on the HEY BABY and Mzantsi Wakho projects, and focused on high mortality rates among young men, gender-based violence, and adolescent parenting and pregnancies. Dr Christina Laurenzi (Stellenbosch University) and Lulama Sidloyi led an Africa Café session on supporting young women living with HIV affected by violence, especially gender-based violence. This built on research conducted in Zambia (more on this in the ABCD update above) by a team of peer supporters in collaboration with PATA and our local partner. Our team also published several papers in high impact-peer-reviewed journals.



Lastly, we have been collaborating with the South African National Department of Basic Education to develop and pilot a multidimensional service package to support pregnant and mother learners' return to school. We were awarded two grants to support this exciting work in 2023 – the UCT Vision 2030 Grand Challenges Pilot Programme (co-PIs: Kelly and Toska), and the Medical Research Foundation Changing Policy and Practice Award (co-PIs: Coakley, Kelly, Jochim, Toska and Cluver) (Picture 5). More details on the MRC award are included in the Adolescent Participation update below.

It has been a year of ground-laying work and significant travel for this research supporting HIV incidence reduction among adolescent girls and young women (AGYW) by informing evidence-based and cost-effective strategies targeted to local context and adolescent needs. We have successfully engaged and collaborated with key stakeholders in all our countries (Cameroon, eSwatini, Kenya, Lesotho, and Mozambique), and shared preliminary findings in Lesotho, Mozambique, Kenya, and eSwatini.



**Global Fund colleagues visited UCT in July 2022**

The work is split into two categories: *Know Your Epidemic* (country needs, informed by evidence reviews) and *Know Your Interventions* (country response, informed by and to inform country-level national policy frameworks). In 2022, the evidence review mapping of HIV drivers and risk pathways, from household survey data, is either complete or at an advanced stage for all countries. Supplementary analysis of survey data is ongoing, supported by colleagues at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM). A review of national frameworks and policies is complete in all countries. Mapping of existing interventions, literature reviews of specific interventions, identification and analyses of programmatic and research datasets, and prioritization of interventions to be refined (individual or in combination) remains ongoing, with anticipated project completion before December 2023.

Through this project, our UCT team has fostered some new collaborations, including with teams at LSHTM (led by Prof. Isolde Birdthistle and Sian Floyd), Columbia University (led by A/Prof. Delivette Castor), and Avenir Health (led by Carel Pretorius and Katherine Kripke) to examine the risk profiles of adolescent girls and young women, and to examine how our collaborative analyses can help refine our recommendations for multi-sectoral HIV programming for adolescent girls and young women in realistic, scalable and non-stigmatizing ways.

In October 2022, the UCT team (Maughan-Brown, Nyamukondiwa, Toska, Wandie, and Yates), supported a two-day workshop with 12 countries from the region, followed by a rich workshop on HIV and adolescence. Several team members (Banougnin, Langwenya, and Mchenga) co-facilitated a skill-building session on *'Bring Your Own Data: Data-refined HIV and Health Programming for Adolescents and Young People'* attended by nearly 40 participants.

**BRING-YOUR-OWN-DATA:**

DATA REFINED HIV AND HEALTH PROGRAMMING FOR ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

- RENTOLEZO LANGWENYA, MPH  
UNIVERSITY OF DURBAN  
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
- RICARDO BANOUNGIN, PHD, MPH  
UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN,  
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- ELINA THORPE, MPH, MSc  
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OF OXFORD, ADOLESCENT HEALTH

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**Mozambique Visit August 2022: HER Voice Ambassadors meeting**

**Lesotho Visit September 2022: HER Voice Ambassadors meeting**

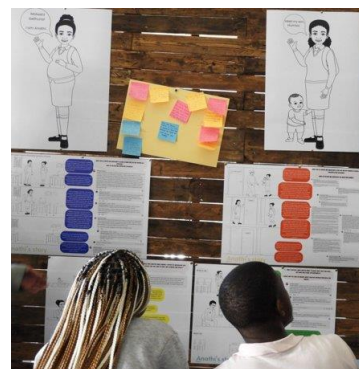


**Kenya Visit November 2022: Mentor group session**

## Adolescent and Youth Participation in Research, and the Teen Advisory Groups:



The first Teen Advisory Group (TAG) started in the Western Cape province of South Africa in 2008 with the aim to engage with adolescents and young people (AYP) as co-creators of social science research, and to develop AYP-informed policy and programming recommendations. Between 2018 and 2020, we initiated the establishment of TAG groups in Kenema (Sierra Leone), Entebbe (Uganda), the Eastern Cape, and Kisumu (Kenya). Each of these TAGs aim



to: (1) co-generate empirical data; (2) build methods “co-laboratories”, where participatory and arts-based methods are developed and tested in partnership with AYP; and, most importantly, (3) shift power during the research process.

This year, the Eastern Cape Teen Advisory Group re-convened in person after two years of remote, collaborative, arts-based research during South Africa’s strict COVID-19 lockdowns.



TAG Camp, August 2022

In support of the National Department of Basic Education’s new [Policy on the Prevention and Management of Learner Pregnancy in Schools](#), we ran a participatory “design incubator” workshop to collaboratively identify supportive features of programmes for pregnant and parenting learners in South African schools.

Our research team was also an invited panelist in an online interactive workshop on working with youth advisory groups (see the blog [here](#)).

At the end of 2022, the team was awarded the [Changing Policy and Practice](#) grant from the Medical Research Foundation (UK), for a project titled *‘Improving health outcomes amongst pregnant and parenting adolescent learners in South African schools: from evidence into action’*. It will apply participatory methodology and structured dialogues to systematically interpret research findings from HEY BABY, and facilitate school-level action planning to support pregnant and parenting learners, to promote health and education outcomes. Read more [here](#).





# Safety and Violence Initiative

The Safety and Violence Initiative continues to focus on prevention of violence against children, with the [Global](#)

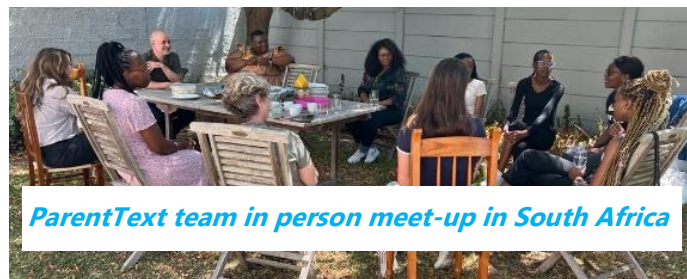
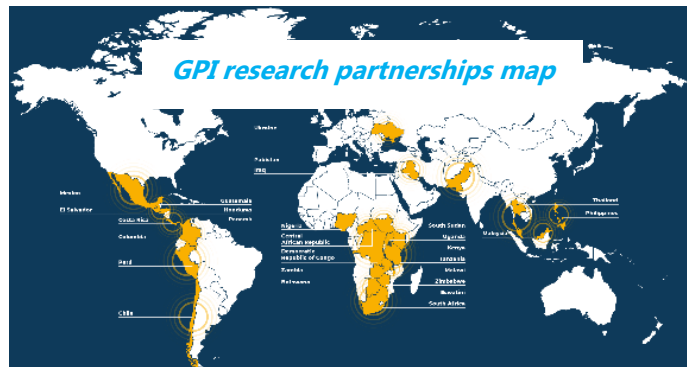
[Parenting Initiative](#) (GPI) forming the bulk of our work. The GPI was launched in 2022, and hosts nine studies in six different countries: three of the nine GPI studies are based at UCT. The GPI is a five-year research collaboration between UCT, long-time partner the University of Oxford, Makerere University, Ateneo de Manila University, McMaster University, the National Institute for Medical Research Tanzania, Stellenbosch University, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Peace Culture Foundation, IDEMS, and Clowns Without Borders South Africa. GPI studies all test or use digital versions of the [Parenting for Lifelong Health](#) (PLH) programmes, which are designed to promote positive parenting that incorporates play and reduces violence against children. ParentApp had good results in a small pilot project, and will be tested in a large randomized controlled trial in Tanzania in 2023. ParentText, which is our lowest-resource digital programme, gives parents the opportunity to interact with a chatbot. The ParentText randomized controlled trial will also take place in 2023 in Mpumalanga, South Africa. The third study based at UCT ambitiously intends to build a system of parenting support into the work of health departments, at the level at which every parent needs support. Planning for the study will commence once we have evidence from the digital programmes.

Several studies associated with the GPI are also being run by UCT staff. The SUPER study (Scale-Up of Parenting Evaluation Research) is collecting routine monitoring data from participants in the PLH Young Children and Teen programmes, across ten different countries, and seeks to understand whether the programmes continue to be effective in routine conditions. Data analysis of this study will begin in 2023.

Since violence against women and violence against children are often closely associated, the PLH Teens programme has been adapted to include men, to promote co-parenting, and to provide co-parents with tools for reducing conflict, with the goal of reducing both forms of violence. Adaptation of the programme has been completed, and a pilot-test will be conducted in Zimbabwe in 2023.

Several student-led projects are also underway, including adapting PLH for Young Children for use in schools in Zimbabwe; exploring the acceptability of, and engagement in, ParentChat (a version of the programmes, run in facilitated groups on WhatsApp); examining the acceptability of PLH programmes to fathers; and examining the implementation of the National School Safety Framework.

SaVI has been a busy space in 2022, and will likely be busier in 2023, as we bring on more GPI staff. We look forward to a productive year!



## The Sustainable Societies Unit

The SSU hosts the Waste and Wildlife project of UCT's *Khusela Ikamva* initiative to create a more environmentally sustainable campus. The project is a collaboration with the Institute for Communities and Wildlife (iCWild) at UCT and the Michaelis School of Fine Art. The SSU is also host to projects lead by Beatrice Conradie on the economics and impact of climate change on the economy of the Karoo.



Students from Michaelis with an installation to draw attention to the dangers of plastic pollution for the environment  
<https://www.capetownetc.com/events/arts-and-culture/uct-students-create-a-giant-fabric-intestine-to-promote-recycling/>

In 2022 the Waste and Wildlife initiative drew attention to UCT's poor waste management and the dangers it posed to wildlife through plastic pollution and reactive policies including rodenticide use. Research lead by Nicoli Nattrass together with students and UCT staff found very low levels of recycling ([CSSR WP 467](#) and [CSSR WP 469](#)). This improved after the introduction of new bins and better labelling – however, UCT's contribution to the circular economy was undermined by poor management of waste once it left the bins and when it was collected by contractors ([CSSR WP470](#)).

A camera trap survey by Zoe Woodgate from iCWild, assisted by students from the Department of Biological Sciences, revealed that there was a rich diversity of wildlife on campus and there were also predators that could potentially be exposed to secondary poisoning from rodenticides. This encouraged greater engagement with UCT's Properties and Services Department with the objective of improving both waste and pest control in 2023.



A caracal and genet on UCT campus 2022. For more information on Wildlife sightings see:  
<http://www.campuswild-uct.co.za/sightings-2/>

# CSSR Publications 2022

## Journal articles

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