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## Members of GaWC at Loughborough


Rolee Aranya  is a research associate at GaWC.


[Jon Beaverstock](#)  is co-director of GaWC and co-ordinates European links. He is particularly interested in the economic and cultural geographies of world city financial centres, particularly in relation to elite migration.


[Ed Brown](#)  brings a 'development' focus to GaWC's work. He is a Central American specialist and interested in those regions seemingly at the margins of the world city network.


David Evans  is an independent researcher with special interest in the local region.


[Sarah Hall](#)  is an economic geographer interested in the financial and cultural geographies of corporate knowledge in the marketplaces of financial centres, and especially London's financial district.


[Michael Hoyler](#)  is the editor of the [GaWC website](#). He is particularly interested in processes of European world city formation.


[Phil Hubbard](#)  is an urban geographer who is exploring cultural links between world cities.

[Caroline Nagel](#)  is a political geographer researching transnational issues of citizenship in cities.


[Kathryn Pain](#)  is senior research associate for the project "[The City of London and Research into Business Clusters](#)". She was research co-ordinator, London, for the "[Comparing London and Frankfurt as World Cities](#)" project.


Mark Szegner  is the Department Information Technician who helps with our electronic and cartographic needs.


[Peter Taylor](#)  is the inventor of GaWC and oversees its development as co-director. He is particularly interested in world cities defining a new global-level social structure and the political implications of this for territorial states.


[David Walker](#)  is the information expert at GaWC and oversees the posting of data. He is exploring Turkish links in terms of Istanbul mixing third world 'mega-city' characteristics with world city tendencies.


### Research Students

Clare Blake  is looking at the changing nature of urban governance as reflected in networking between cities.

Anupa Chadha  is a research student working on world city formation in India.


James Faulconbridge  is researching the role of foreign banks in the success of the City of London.

Wei Shen  is investigating globalization and world city-networks in Asia.

Ulrike Waellisch  is researching the globalization strategies and spatial impacts of advanced producer service firms in Paris, with reference to La Defense and Bercy.

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[Marcus Doel](#)  is professor of geography at the University of Wales Swansea and contributes to GaWC through his experience of research on contemporary developments in the Pacific-Asia region. He is particularly interested in the cultural aspects of cities.

**Nicholas Gane** is a senior lecturer in sociology at Brunel University. He was a research associate working on the "[World City Network Formation: Global Connections Audit and Analysis](#)" project.

**Oli Mould**  is an ESRC funded PhD student at Leicester University. His thesis concerns 'Cultural globalization and Sydney as a World City'.

Simon Parris is an AHRB funded MSc student at Leicester University. His research concerns 'London's Cultural Industries'.

**John Rennie Short**  is head of the Department of Geography and Environmental Systems at University of Maryland, Baltimore County. He was [Leverhulme Visiting Professor](#) at GaWC.

**Richard Smith**  is a lecturer in human geography at Leicester University and is a GaWC research fellow. He was the research associate (1997-98) on an ESRC funded project on "[The Geographical Scope of London](#)". His current research concerns the global city network from a poststructuralist perspective.

## Former Research Associates

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Hayden Lorimer	<a href="#">"London and New York in the World City Hierarchy"</a>
David Robinson	<a href="#">"The Global Observatory"</a>
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## Associated Researchers

Researchers listed below are people who have been working with us on ideas and projects. These associated researchers will sometimes be directly involved in current projects or will be part of our forward planning for future developments.

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