

# CRIMINOLOGIST CORNER(ED)

The BSC's monthly interview with the great, the good and the... hoping for greatness

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## Professor Frances Heidensohn

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### What are you most passionate about?

Justice and fairness.

### Who would play you in the film of your life?

Judi Dench - she is brilliant, also short and of Irish heritage.

### Where is home?

London.

### How did you become a Criminologist?

I took a criminology option in my third year and got hooked.

### Who/what inspires you?

Young people, especially young colleagues and students.

### What advice would you give to your undergraduate self?

Stick with it, all will be worth it in the end.

### What is your greatest fear?

Something happening to my family members.

### Which book that you haven't read do you most want to read?

*Therapeutic Community for Women Prisoners: Re-imagining Rehabilitation and the Loss of Liberty*, the new book by Elaine Player and Elaine Genders about the therapeutic unit for women offenders at Send Prison.

### What criminological work are you involved in at the moment?

I am retired, so only reviewing proposals or writing introductions.

### What do you hope to do next?

Enjoy Christmas with my children and grandchildren.

### What would you have done if you hadn't become a Criminologist?

Become a social worker, I would have been terrible.

### Finally, please share the one book, one album and one luxury item you would take to your desert island.....

**Criminological book** – The most recent edition of the Oxford Encyclopaedia of Criminology, I should learn a lot from it.

**Album** – Mozart's Marriage of Figaro, my favourite opera.

**Luxury Item** – Sunscreen with industrial strength insect repellent.

Read more about Frances' work here:



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### BSC Dec book draw

10 books = 10 chances to win:

The Routledge Handbook of European Penology.

Hauntology: An Introduction for Criminologists.

The Oxford Handbook of Criminology. Seventh Edition.

The Oxford Textbook on Criminology.

Lived Experience Recovery Organisations: Peer Generated Epicentres of Personal Change and Collective Transformation.

The Politics of Prison Building Programmes: Building Legacies and the State Capacity to Punish.

Vulnerable Victims and Victimization within Practice and Policy in the UK.

UK-EU Police and Judicial Cooperation Post-Brexit. Implementing the Trade and Cooperation Agreement.

True Crime: Key: Themes and Perspectives.

White-Collar and Organizational Crime: New Ideas, Directions, and Perspectives.

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