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# Solo Living Seminar

Centre for Research on Families and Relationships  
University of Edinburgh

**Monday 26 October**

## Programme

**10.00 Coffee/Registration**

**10.15 Welcome and Introduction**

**10.30 Rural and Urban Solo Living in Scotland**

*Lynn Jamieson, Fran Wasoff, Roona Simpson,  
Centre for Research on Families and Relationships*

**11.15 Discussant – Moira Maconachie**

**11.25 Estimates and projections of one-adult households in Scotland**

*Esther Roughsedge, General Registry of Scotland*

**Living Alone in Young Adulthood: Findings for the UK 1988-2008**

*Juliet Stone and Ann Berrington, University of Southampton*

**11.45 Questions/Discussion**

**12.15 Lunch**

**12.45 Presentations**

People who live apart together (LATs) - how different are they?

*Simon Duncan, University of Bradford and Miranda Phillips,  
National Centre for Social Research*

New forms of living – family, intimacy and everyday life

*Charlott Nyman and Lars Evertsson, Umeå University, Sweden*

Intimacy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: The Negotiation of Divergent Rationalities

*Jan Mcvarish, University of Kent*

Why are they still single? Rethinking Free Will and Self Control

*Kinneret Lahad, Bar Ilan University, Israel*

The Hungarian Yuppie Single's Lifestyle

*Ágnes Utasi and Ágnes Sántha, Hungary*

Making relationship legally visible – The need for constructing  
a new legal architecture

*Kirsten Ketscher, Copenhagen University*

Managing Nomadic Lifestyles and Social Relationships in East Asia:

Soloists Differential Experiences of Mobility in the Information Age'

*On-Kwok Lai, Kwansai Gakuin University, Japan.*

## **Programme** *(continued)*

**2.30**    **Tea**

**2.45**    **Presentations**

Japan's Urban Singles

*Richard Ronald, Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands*

Home alone? The implications of solo living for young people in their housing transitions into adulthood

*Kayleigh Garthwaite, Durham University*

Marriage is not all it's cracked up to be: living with others, not marriage, is good for men's health

*Paul Boyle, Zhiqiang Feng, Peteke Feijten, University of St. Andrews*

The myth of independence for older Americans living alone: a critical reflection

*Elena Portacolone, University of California*

Work in Progress: Brief Presentations 'Older people without children'

*Jill Reynolds, The Open University*

What does it mean to live 'solo' or to live 'alone'?

*Rona Macdonald, University of Toronto*

The effect of relationship status, living arrangements and psychosocial predictors on social support and health behaviours in men with cancer

*Hannah Dale, Clinical Psychology Department, Stratheden Hospital*

**4.00**    **Closing Discussion**

**4.30**    **Drinks Reception**