



School of Education 2021 Webinar Series: Celebrating Social Justice Research in Education

Ethics, Religion and Values in Education: 17 March 2021, from 1200-1330 GMT

In this final webinar, we focus on research that relates to the history of ideas, metatheory, principled scholarship, and theory building applied to contemporary issues of social justice and underpins the School's approach to innovative and cross-disciplinary pedagogies. It considers work of the following projects and investigators.



Social justice dispositions informing teacher practice in advantaged & disadvantaged secondary schools (Professor Trevor Gale)

Drawing on Bourdieu's notion of the habitus (constituted by disposition collectives), this large-scale Australian Research Council project researched different social justice dispositions that inform teacher practice in different contexts. As one example, the project theorises four different kinds of practices of teachers disposed to activism (directed at social justice), evidenced across different kinds of schools.



Beyond the Industrial School – Past and Present (Professor Bob Davis)

Drawing on a recently published article co-authored with James Conroy and Julie Clague, this presentation will examine the origins of the 'schools are factories' trope, highlighting its persistence in popular journalism, academic polemic and educational futurology. The roots of the metaphor will be traced to early factory schools, such as the renowned Owenite experiment at New Lanark; its subsequent development and over-extended misuse will also be interrogated.



Catholic Teacher Formation: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (Dr Leonard Franchi)

Drawing on some recent publications, this presentation aims to recapture the contribution to Teacher Education of two French educators, Jean Baptise de La Salle and Julie Billiart. We see how they addressed educational deficits in their own historical period and consider how their legacy—driven by a commitment to expanding opportunities for young people—can continue to shape wider discussions on Teacher Education today.

There will follow a panel response, and all those who join the webinar will be able to pose questions to the speakers and panel. Everyone is welcome to join us and to register please go to the following site:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ethics-religion-and-values-in-education-tickets-132830283955>

Full details and instructions for joining will be circulated post registration. We look forward to your participation