

Postgraduate Conference Programme

Friday 26th September 2008

NIID Seminar Room, 3 College Green, Trinity College Dublin

9:15am Registration and Coffee

9:45am Welcome and Opening Address: Dr Anthony McCashin

Session 1: 10:00 - 11:30am

Communities, Interest Groups and their Engagement with Social Policy

Dave Walker	UCC	National & Local Planning Strategies and their Effects on a small Community, Community Formation & Integration.
Joe Larragy	UCD	Asymmetric engagement: The case of the Community Workers Co-op and Community Platform in Irish Social Partnership
Martha Doyle	TCD	The power of old age in Ireland: Older people's interest groups, their evolution and their perceived influence on ageing policies and practices

Chair: Aileen O'Gorman (UCD)

Housing Policy and Immigration

Brian Portley	UCD	Housing New Immigrant Communities in Ireland's Private Rented Sector: Access, Choice and Integration.
Danielle McLaughlin	NUI Maynooth	Meeting the accommodation needs of refugees in Ireland's integration plan
Alana Smith	TCD	Housing Pathways of Polish Labour Migrants in Dublin

Chair: Eoin O'Sullivan (TCD)

Coffee 11:30 - 12:00pm

Session 2: 12:00 - 1:30pm

Social Research Methods

Jessica Breen	TCD	Biography and Social Policy: The Biographical-Narrative Interpretive Method Explored
Claire Higgins	University of York	Health Impact Assessment as a support tool for healthier social policy
Eidín Ní Shé	UL	Doing Community Research

Chair: Philip Curry (TCD)

Ageing and Social Policy

Maria Pierce	TCD	The Social Construction of Ageing-related Care in Ireland
Andrea Bobersky	TCD	Experiences of nursing home residents with dementia and their caregivers of moving from a traditional ward to a specialist care unit within one facility
Ciara O'Dwyer	TCD	Cui Bono? The Development of the Irish National Quality Standards for Residential Care Settings for Older People.

Chair: Mary van Lieshout (NDA)

Lunch 1:30 - 2:30pm

Keynote Address: 2:30 - 3:30pm

Dr Tracey Skillington (UCC): 'The current impact of civic cosmopolitanism and international justice on policy-making in Ireland'.

Session 3: 3:30 - 5:00pm

Developments and Debates in Education Policy

Rachel Kiersey	DIT (IRCHSS)	"Reading the Rhetoric" A Critical Discourse Analysis of Irish Early Childhood Education & Care Policy post ratification of the UNCRC
Bernie O'Donoghue	DIT (IRCHSS)	Reviewing the Policy Process to Reveal the 'Rights' Way of Developing Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) Services for Children in Ireland.
Oliver Anderson	TCD	"Nature versus Nurture; A study to establish whether the intergenerational link between better educated, wealthier parents and children's academic performance and intelligence is due to genetics or environment".

Chair: Dr Michelle Share (TCD)

New Challenges for the Family and Social Policy

Jackie Mullins	UCC	APOCCalypse Now
Helen McAvoy	IPH	Fuel poverty in Ireland – can the right policies counteract rising fuel prices?
Vera van der Velden-Lyons	Dundalk IT	"Making work pay" - the issues facing single mothers in Ireland today.

Chair: Mary Murphy (NUI Maynooth)

Migration and Social Policy

Delia Rambaldini-Gooding	UCD	The trafficking of women into Ireland: Developing a model of best practice for service provision
Jennifer Scholtz	TCD	Between Assimilation and Multiculturalism: The meaning of Integration in Ireland
Denise Clohessy	UCD	Cross-cultural Mental Health in Ireland.

Chair: Dr Mary Gilmartin (NUI Maynooth)

We will adjourn to the Bank Bar across the road for post-conference drinks