

Graduate students in UCD School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice are pleased to welcome you to the Graduate Student Conference in Social Justice.

This student-led event is the 2nd annual conference bringing together students, activists, academics and those who are concerned with social change in Ireland today.

We owe special thanks to the staff and students of the School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice for their support and encouragement in organising this conference.

We would also like to thank the College of Human Sciences, UCD Students Union and the Equality Studies Centre for their support.

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*Saturday 3rd October 2015
Fitzgerald Debating Chamber
UCD Student Centre*

Programme

- 09.00** **Registration**
- 09:45** **Welcome**
Professor Tony Fahey, *Vice Principal for Research and Innovation, College of Social Sciences and Law, University College Dublin*
- 10.00 -11.15** **Panel Discussion**
- Chair:**
Dr Michelle Norris, *Head of UCD School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice*
- Broden Giambrone**, *Transgender Equality Network of Ireland*
- Mariya Ivancheva**, *UCD School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice - **The University as an agent of social change?***
- Moninne Griffith**, *Marriage Equality Ireland*
- Ebun Joseph**, *UCD School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice - **Responding to migrants and migration in the Labour market***
- 11.15** **Coffee break**
- 11.45** **Workshops 1, 2, 3**
- 13.00** **Lunch**
- 13.45** **Workshops 4, 5, 6**
- 15.00** **Conference Closing – World Café**
Feedback from workshops. Tea and Coffee
All attendees meet to discuss personal and group findings from workshops
- 15:55** **Closing**

Overview of workshops

11.45 - 13.00

Workshop 1	Workshop 2	Workshop 3
ROOM 1	ROOM 2	ROOM 3
Equality and Social Justice - Research and Theory	Education	Gendered Inequalities

13.45 – 15.00

Workshop 4	Workshop 5	Workshop 6
ROOM 1	ROOM 2	ROOM 3
Activism and Advocacy	Law, Crime and Justice	Economic Inequality

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.” – Margaret Mead

Papers and presenters

WORKSHOP 1: Equality and Social Justice – Research and Theory (Room 1)

- **Catherine Molyneux (QUB)** Workplace views on Equality: Testing the Redistribution-Recognition 'Dilemma' (*Short*)
- **Roddy Condon (UCC)** 'Buying Time' and the Conflict of our Times: A Social-Theoretical Response to Wolfgang Streeck on the Future of Western Democracies (*Full*)
- **Alan McCarthy (UCC)** Change and Meaning, Can a new form of social justice theory be developed from within the moral and political framework of our society (*Full*)
- **Abiola de Mojeed (NUIG)** The effects of lack of occupation on the mental health of asylum seekers (*Short*)

WORKSHOP 2: Education (Room 2)

- **Eoin Shanahan** Social Justice within the secondary educational system (*Full*)
- **Ben Mitchell (TCD)** Limits of Law: The Constitution as a tool for, and a barrier to, equality in education (*Full*)
- **Wissam Abdel Samad (UCC)** STEMming the tide of social injustice; exploring the critical possibilities for science education in Irish schools (*Short*)
- **Dorothy Conaghan (UCC)** Instrumental Music Education in Ireland – The Canary in the Coalmine of Educational Inequality (*Full*)
- **Sarah Arduin (TCD)** Reflections on Equality in the context of Disability Education Rights (*Full*)

Papers and presenters

WORKSHOP 3: Gendered Inequalities (Room 3)

- **Luke Field (UCD)** 'Leaps and Bounds: Ireland's Gender Recognition Act in Context' (*Full*)
- **Ashimedu Okonkwo (TCD)** The Inequality In Law In Relation to Violence Against Women (*Full*)
- **Aoife Cooke and Jacinta Fay (Abortion Rights Campaign)** Partnerships and Solidarity – Women's Community Education as a tool for Reproductive Rights Movement Building and Collective Action (*Short*)
- **Maire Meagher & Lucy Keaveney (The Countess Markievicz School)** The Countess Markievicz School: A Forum on Women in Ireland (*Short*)

WORKSHOP 4: Activism and Advocacy (Room 1)

- **Bashir Otukoya** Bheith Éireannach – Becoming Irish (*Full*)
- **Adam Smith** How have changed state and civil society relations in Ireland impacted on the community and voluntary sector (2008 - 2015) - a study (*Short*)
- **Gregori Meakin** Working for Lone Parents Rights; The value of engagement and activism in research (*Full*)
- **Rebecca Beegan (WIT)** The inclusion of 'other' voices through research and activism (*Full*)

Papers and presenters

WORKSHOP 5: Law, Crime and Justice (Room 2)

- **Melody Buckley (UL)** A research agenda: do oral questioning style and voice play a role in people's procedural fairness judgments in legal proceedings? *(Full)*
- **Garret Sammon (TCD)** Self-Representing Litigants: A Practical Proposal *(Full)*
- **Megan Coughlan (UCD)** A different theoretical application to tackle the issue of reoffending *(Full)*

WORKSHOP 6: Economic Inequality (Room 3)

- **Katie O'Neill (NUIG)** What barriers exist in Ireland to the effective use of public interest litigation to vindicate the socio-economic rights of minorities *(Full)*
- **Nat O'Connor (TASC)** Net Economic Benefit versus Income Inequality *(Full)*
- **John McKeever (Cluid)** Public Space and Public Purse; Conversation and Contract *(Full)*
- **Ebun Joseph (UCD)** Reconceptualising economic inequality through a racial stratification framework *(Full)*

Practice stands and Posters

Practice Stands

Irish Committee for the UN Day for the Eradication of Poverty

Posters

Deborah Kinghan (QUB) Applying theory-based interventions to encourage successful intergroup contact in Northern Irish schools

Artur Pytlarz (DIT) Taking matters into your own hands - fear of crime, community, state and "responsibilization" in rural settings in Ireland

This conference is organised by the graduate students of the School on a limited budget. Any donations to assist with the costs of the conference would be gratefully received.

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