

CPCSForums@Kent Spring 2015

These events are designed as a space for colleagues in and around Kent to come together to discuss parenting culture. We hope that they will foster some interesting cross-disciplinary conversation, and lead to collaborative events in the future. All are welcome, so please spread the word!

For this session we are welcoming a visitor to the Centre, who is presenting on her own research, of interest to anyone working in Higher Education:

Academic career: dilemmas, problems and controversies – where do we go? The experiences from Poland

Social acceleration, globalization and commercialization of higher education have changed the academic career patterns. Some policymakers and scholars perceive the neoliberal transformation and commercialization of higher education as a necessity and advantage, while the others, especially from the humanities and social sciences, recognize them as disruptions of a traditional university ethos. During my presentation I would like to present the critique of these changes in the context of the new policy of academic career development in Poland. Moreover, I will point out the main dilemmas and controversies which occurred in the professional practice of scholars that include: the balance and disproportions between teaching and research; publish or perish syndrome, specialization and fragmentation of knowledge and science; maintaining quality and dealing with *bureaucracy* in higher education system.

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Date: Wednesday 25th March

Time 3-5pm

Venue Cornwallis North West, Seminar Room 1 (University of Kent)

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