

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY: SERIES RATIONALE

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Series rationale

This is a new monograph series on public sociology which will include work that addresses public and community engagement and the relationship between sociologists and their publics.

This series will address not only what sociologists do, but what sociology is for and focus on the commitment to enhance understanding of the social condition so that the lives of people are materially improved. It will showcase the wide diversity of sociological research that addresses the many global challenges that threaten the future of humankind in the 21st century. The relevance of sociology to what C. Wright Mills preferred to call the human condition, will be highlighted in works that address these challenges as they feature in global social changes but also as they are mediated in local and regional communities and settings. The Series will thus feature titles that work at a global level of abstraction as well as studies that are micro ethnographic depictions of global processes as they affect local communities.

The discourse of public sociology has spread outside the discipline of sociology, as other subjects take up its challenge and re-orientate themselves, such as public anthropology, public political science and public international relations. In being the first of its kind, this Book Series will showcase how the discipline of sociology has utilized the language and ideas of public sociology to change what it does and what it is for.

Series aim

The purpose of this Series is to draw together some of the best sociological research that carries the imprimatur of 'public sociology', done inside the academy by senior figures and early career researchers, as well as outside it by practitioners, policy analysts and independent researchers seeking to apply sociological research in real-world settings.

Readership

This series is aimed at academics and students interested in public sociology and/or the specific areas of sociology addressed in the individual proposals.

International dimensions

The series will be international in scope and aimed at an international readership, especially in the main English-speaking markets. The Series Editors and International Advisory Board will encourage submissions from international authors and help promote the series globally. The Series will have a dedicated website which will assist communication with potential international authors and markets.

Topics may include but are not limited to the following

- What is public sociology?
- Engaging policy in sociology
- Empowering people for drive change
- Sociology of the future
- Social justice under neo-liberalism
- Building social justice from below
- Refugees, migrants and the humanitarian crisis
- Is humanitarianism in crisis?
- Peace studies in crisis?
- War and militarism
- Rethinking the public university
- Debating and re-envisioning the family?
- Is health a human right?
- The sociological geography of health and wealth
- Food security and global hunger
- Sociology and human dignity
- The future of social media
- Is multi-culturalism working?
- The future of class
- Intersectionality and inequality
- Sociology and climate change
- Religion in the 21st century
- Transformation in work
- What is the future of housing?
- Modern masculinities
- Sociology outside academia
- What is the future of youth?
- The gender agenda in the 21st century
- Social harm and intergenerational memory
- Rethinking community for the 21st century
- Developing co-produced knowledge with communities
- Human rights versus human dignity in disability research
- Does social mobility have a future?

Contact regarding proposals

If you would like to submit a proposal, or to discuss ideas, then please contact the series editors:

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