

Roberta Keys

Doctoral Researcher

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Current Status

First Year, Part Time

Research Topic

An investigation into Higher Education Choices, Finance and Gender

Research Summary

This is a study which will focus on the consequences on the introduction of variable tuition fees. This investigation will analyse the impact of such a change in policy (the government transferring much of the cost of HE courses from state to student) on the number and undergraduate applications in the UK with a clear focus on gender.

Research Interests

Income Contingent Student Loans

- Tuition Fees

- Risk and uncertainty Gender disparities
- Undergraduate Applications to HE

Research Supervisor

Professor Peter Davies (</staff/profiles/education/davies-peter.aspx>)

Funding

Self Funded

Membership of Research and Professional Organizations

Member of the Economics and Business Enterprise Association [EBEA]

Publications

EBEA 2011 AfL [IB v A-Level]

Background Information

Roberta started her academic career at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge with an undergraduate degree in Land Economy and subsequent MA. In 2009 after 5 years service in Bank of Ireland Roberta changed her career from finance to education and successfully completed a PGCE in Business and Economics at the University of Worcester. She is now a teacher of Economics and Business at a Mixed Independent Boarding School in the West Midlands.

Roberta enjoys writing education related articles and completing book reviews for the Economics and Business Enterprise Association [EBEA] and similarly she blogs for Tutor2u regarding Economics Education. From 2011 she has been completing a Part Time MEd also at Worcester, focusing on Gender Disparities in Economics. It is this interest in gender that intrigues Roberta and she is now utilising her knowledge of education and her financial background to commence her post doctoral work at the University of Birmingham. Roberta lectures to EBEA Delegates at Conferences, similarly she occasionally lectures to PGCE students and M.Ed students at the University of Worcester on topics such as learning theory and assessment.

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