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About

Dr Margaret May is an Honorary Research Fellow in the School of Social Policy and an Associate Member of the Centre for Household Assets and Savings Management (CHASM) in the Institute of Applied Social Studies, School of Social Policy.

Qualifications

• Ph.D. Economic History, University of London
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Biography

Margaret has extensive experience of research in UK and comparative social policy, focusing particularly on social security, employment policy, occupational and commercial welfare. She has taught and acted as an external examiner in a wide range of areas in both social policy and human resource management at undergraduate, Masters and PhD levels. Her teaching specialisms lay in the political economy of welfare, social security, employment policy and comparative social policy.

Research

Margaret's research interests intersect the fields of social policy and human resource management and centre on occupational welfare, long-term savings, employee protection and social security policy in the UK and in a comparative context.

Other activities

- Past Chair, Executive Committee member and convenor of the Comparative Social Policy and Learning and Teaching Groups of the Social Policy Association.
- Past member of the editorial boards of the Journal of Social Policy, the European Journal of Social Policy, Social Policy and Society and past co-editor of the Social Policy Review.
- Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

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