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### About

Stuart Connor is a lecturer in Social Policy.

### Qualifications

- PhD Health Care Studies, Manchester Metropolitan University (1997)
- BSc (Hons) Combined Honours: Biology and Psychology, Manchester Polytechnic (1992)

### Teaching

Undergraduate modules:

- Finding out about Social Policy
- Agency and Morality: Power and ethics in policy and praxis

Postgraduate modules:

- Social Policy: Beyond welfare (MA)

### Postgraduate supervision

Stuart is currently supervising a range of PhDs:

- Digital activism and civil (digital) society
- Older people and work in South Korea
- The political economy of hydrogen energy
- Governance and performance of public sector institutions

Particularly interested in supervising work examining the public understanding of social policy and the politics of representation in social policy.

### Research

My teaching and research interests include critical approaches to the analysis of contemporary social policy and practice. This work includes examining the role of governments, trade unions, NGOs, social movements, communities and practitioners in the fabrication of 'social problems' and attempts to legitimate, challenge and shape particular policy responses.

### Publications

#### Books

Connor, S (2013), *What's Your Problem?: Making sense of social problems and the policy process*. St Albans: Critical Publishing.

**Simpson, G and Connor, S (2011), *Social Policy for Welfare Professionals. Tools for understanding, analysis and engagement*. Bristol: Policy Press.** (<http://www.policypress.co.uk/display.asp?K=9781847422651&sf1=keyword&st1=Social+Policy+for+Welfare+Professionals&m=2&dc=53>)

#### Papers

Connor, S (2012) Using frames and making claims: the use of multimodel assessments and the student as producer agenda. *Enhancing Learning in the Social Sciences (ELiSS)*. 4(3).

Connor, S (2011), Structure and Agency: a debate for community development? *Community Development Journal*. (suppl 2): ii1-ii15 doi:10.1093/cdj/bsr006.

Rowlingson, K and Connor, S (2010) The 'Deserving Rich? Inequality, Morality and Social Policy. *Journal of Social Policy*. 40(4): doi:10.1017/S0047279410000668.

Connor, S (2010) Promoting 'Employability': The changing subject of welfare reform in the UK. *Critical Discourse Studies*, 7(1): 41-53.

Connor, S (2010) The Myth of Community? Concept: *The Journal of Community Education and Practice Theory*, Vol. 1 No. 3 Winter.

## Chapters in books

Connor, S and Huggins, R (2010) The Technology and the Artefacts of Social Control - Monitoring Criminal and Anti-Social Behaviour Through and in Media Cultures. In, *Sociology of Crime, Law and Deviance, Volume 15, Social Control: Informal, Legal and Medical*, edited by James Chriss. Cambridge, MA, Emerald.

## Reports

Rowlingson, K, Connor, S and Orton, M (2010), Evidence to the Hutton Review of Fair Pay in the Public Sector. London: Hutton Fair Pay Review.

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