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About

Professor Christine Skelton is Emeritus Professor of Gender Education in the School of Education. She was a primary school teacher for ten years before entering Higher Education in the 1980s. Christine worked at the University of Newcastle before taking up a professorial post at Roehampton University. She moved to the University of Birmingham in 2007.

Her central interests are in the fields of masculinity; gender in relation to the professional socialisation of teachers; and gender and primary schooling. Christine has written and edited major books in these areas, for example: *The Identities and Practices of High Achieving Pupils* (with Becky Francis and Barbara Read); *Feminism and 'The Schooling Scandal'* (with Becky Francis); and *Schooling the Boys: Masculinities and Primary Education*.

Christine is also interested in the lives and education of Victorian women and is currently researching and writing a biography on Charles Dickens sister-in-law, Georgina Hogarth.