Lecture Series Space – Society – Economy WS 2013/14

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Lived difference: a narrative account of spatiotemporal processes of social differentiation

The lecture draws on empirical research conducted as part of a study funded by the European Research Council to explore how individuals understand and live processes of social differentiation. Specifically, it draws on a case-study-life story narrative to examine how social identifications unfold across biographical time, examining the spatiotemporal complexity of experiences of differentiation, and the marginalization of self and/or others. In doing so, it contributes to the geographies of encounter literature by exploring the implications of insights from an individual's narrative of lived experiences of difference for group politics and the management of prejudicial social relations.

Gill Valentine holds the position of a Professor at the Department of Geography at the University of Sheffield. Her research is focused on the areas of Social Identities and Belonging, Childhood, Parenting and Family Life, Urban Cultures and Consumption. Key publications include Cool Places: Geographies of Youth Cultures (Routledge 1997, co-edited with Tracey Skelton), Cyberkids: Youth Identities and Communities in an On-Line World (Routledge 2002, co-authored with Sarah Holloway), Approaches to Human Geography (Sage 2006, co-edited with Stuart C. Aitken), Key Texts in Human Geography: A Reader Guide (Sage 2008, co-edited with Phil Hubbard and Rob Kitchin) and Key Methods in Geography (Sage 2010, co-edited with Nicholas Clifford and Shaun French).

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