

Joint Chair in Women's Studies Communities of Practice 2020

1. Doing Online Learning Differently

If you love or hate or don't care about online learning, we'll spark discussion with members of "Community Mobilization in Crisis", a project where over 30 contributors share online their stories of community organising. The contributors use their stories to help advise and inspire one another and the next wave of community organisers. Join us in thinking about this horizontal approach to learning and how it connects to your own work and ideas.

2. Belonging

For some, education is a way in: into jobs, careers, income and benefits. For others, education is a way out: out of abusive relations, out of political oppression, out of prison walls. Most of all, education can be seen as a way out of isolation. But what if education itself is an isolating experience? Hear and share ways we build community, change hierarchical practices, and struggle for social justice, in and out of our learning experiences.

3. Learner-Designed Experiential Learning

Learning by doing. Work in the community. We all do it. But why? Soul-searching brings up both comfortable and uncomfortable answers: to look good, to look good on a résumé, to ~~save~~ serve others, to ~~serve~~ save ourselves... What if we soul-searched a bit more and chose to focus on our own "backyard"? What if every learner designed and engaged in collective projects, built partnerships, reached out, faced challenges, and explored ways of working that were healthy and collaborative? Join us to further develop and consider this concept in each of our contexts.

4. Why and How We Learn

5. Support Groups