

CENTRE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND EQUITY RESEARCH

# ESW Open Seminar Series

**Thursday 1 June, 11am-12.30pm**

**Room 104, Fulton Building**

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## **When Rights Are Not Enough, What Is? The Need for 'Politicised' Compassion in the Quest for Social Justice**

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This seminar addresses and aims to unpack ideas around 'politicised compassion'. In particular, Dr Gibson calls for the need to move on from worn out ineffective forms of 'Widening Participation practices', which serve to re-produce outsiders and established insiders.

Connecting to concerns and questions raised by right wing swing and growth in the West - aka Trump-Ville and BREXIT - Dr Gibson considers 'where next' in terms of democratic, inclusive and socially just education and society. Drawing on her research in this field, she will invite you to consider her work alongside your own, and hopefully work together unpacking 'politicised compassion' – how we might connect, respond and move forward in our thinking and practices.

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