

Public Seminar on Globalizing Universities and Growing Gender Equality

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Venue: WLB205, The Wing Lung Bank Building for Business Studies

Although awareness of the globalization of higher education is high, the question that is less often asked is, what does this process have to do with the claims for change in the structures and practices of colleges and universities to better include women researchers? In this research project, my colleagues and I consider both the globalization and gender equality movements across higher education as connected processes. The new discourse about bringing progress and modernity to higher education institutions, often criticized as neo-liberal, offers advantages to be used and dangers to be considered, especially by advocates of both gender equality and globalizing structural reforms.



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