Critical Dementia Studies Workshop

Bursaries for PhD Students/Early Career Researchers

As part of the formation of a new research network on Critical Dementia Studies, a series of workshops are being held during 2019/2020, hosted by Södertörn University (Sweden) and the University of Stirling (UK). The workshops are bringing together a multi-disciplinary mix of academics, researchers and activists to discuss and explore critical approaches within dementia studies. Our aim is to draw upon the wider field of critical thinking in the social sciences, with an emphasis upon feminism, post-colonial studies, queer theory and critical disability/crip studies.

Our second workshop will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, October 28-29, 2019 and will focus on the topics of activism, anti-racist and post-colonial approaches in dementia studies. The first of our planned workshops was held at Södertörn University in March 2019 and we will update and re-cap proceedings from this meeting as well as building on the discussions held. A third online conference to include colleagues from farther afield is planned for early 2020. The workshops themselves are friendly, informal gatherings and conversations with a small group of academics and their guests from across Europe.

We are offering two bursaries (each up to 500 eus) for PhD students/ Early Career Researchers who are working with or have a particular interest in feminist, queer, crip, post-colonial and/or anti-racist approaches to dementia. The bursaries are intended as a contribution to the cost of budget travel and accommodation to attend the upcoming workshop.

So, if you have an interest in dementia, and are working within the social sciences, arts or humanities, you would be very welcome to join us. To apply please send us a brief outline of your current research and a short paragraph detailing how participating in the workshop could benefit your studies. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 4th of September and a decision will be made later that week.

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