

# Special edition of Critical Social Policy on Social Work and Sociology

## Invitation for abstracts

We invite abstracts for empirical, discussion and commentary articles on *the contemporary relationship between social work and sociology*. Accepted abstracts will form the basis of a proposal for a special edition of the journal of *Critical Social Policy*.

It is our view that the relationship between social work and sociology, long-established and still a key feature of social work training, remains vital in work to reduce social inequalities, to offer structural analysis of social issues and end discrimination and oppression based on class, 'race', gender, disability, sexual orientation, colonialism, etc. One of the underpinning aims of this collection is to share insights and practices about how social work and sociology inform and support one another in the contemporary context as well as considering the current challenges to, and limitations of, this partnership. This reflects some of debates and collaborations that have been fostered in the first year of the Social Work and Sociology study group, who held their first event in September 2019 on the theme of poverty.

### Abstracts

We would be interested in abstracts on a range of issues. This could include but is not limited to:

- The 'translation' of sociological concepts and thinking to social work practice (pre and post qualification)
- Innovations and reflections on activist and public sociology and whether this is a form of social work
- Service user led movements and research and the role of sociology
- The role of social work and sociology in shaping social, political and economic responses amidst and beyond the Covid-19 crisis

We warmly welcome proposals from service users, practitioners and academics; acknowledging, of course, that these are not discrete groups. In the context of the Covid-19 crisis, we appreciate that many people are caring for others, unwell or working longer and different hours. Please let us know if this is the case for you. We encourage people to submit abstracts and will be as flexible as possible with the process.

Proposed articles should be aligned with the aims and scope of the journal of *Critical Social Policy*. Further details can be found at:

<https://journals.sagepub.com/aims-scope/CSP>

Abstracts should be approximately **250 words** and outline your proposed article.

The deadline for abstracts is **Monday 18th May**.

We will provide feedback on your submission the week beginning **Monday 25th May**.

We will inform you if the special edition is going ahead by **late July 2020**.

To submit and/ or discuss your proposal, please contact: [swsbsagroup@gmail.com](mailto:swsbsagroup@gmail.com)