

The Life and Work of Erving Goffman: A Conversation with Peter Lunt

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About the Event

Erving Goffman has been called the most influential North American sociological thinker of the 20th century. But how did Goffman think about his apparent 'celebrity status'? How has his research on a remote area like the Scottish Shetland Islands impacted on his status as social thinker of interaction?

In this session, Peter Lunt will talk about his book-in-progress on Erving Goffman as a social theorist; discussing how Goffman's work developed in reaction to its social environment, but also reflect on Goffman as grand sociological theorist and his own application of Goffman's thinking in the field of social and media studies.

Biography

Peter Lunt is Professor of Media and Communication at the University of Leicester. His research interests include media audiences, public participation in popular culture (talk shows and reality TV), media regulation, consumption research and the links between media and social theory.

Registration

This event is free of charge, however, registration is required. A zoom link will be circulated to attendees prior to the event.