

Islam, Christianity and teaching in post-secular societies? Practices and representations in education



Date: Saturday 24 March 2012

Time: 9.30am - 4.30pm

Location: Canterbury Christ Church University, Canterbury Campus

Fee: £45

(early bird registration - book before Christmas, students and BERA members: £25)

Keynote speakers:

Professor Jim Conroy
University of Glasgow

Professor J. Mark Halstead
University of Huddersfield

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Come to this conference to explore the changing relationship between education, religion and liberal societies. Recent debates about the rise of religious ideas and values in a supposedly secular/liberal society means that questions of representation and practice need to be considered in a new context. These issues are relevant for all religions but the public and politicised nature of Islam and Christianity means that they are especially relevant for religions which routinely cross the boundaries between the secular, the religious, public and private.

This is a conference for people from a range of disciplines who want to investigate the changing relationship between education, religions and liberal society. Selected papers will be published after the conference.

Proposals for papers and panels on the following themes are welcome:

- The idea of post-secular and its relevance for education
- Islam and Christianity in the curriculum: critique and new experiments
- Church schools, Muslim schools and teaching tolerance and liberal values
- The limits of tolerance and the challenges to liberal values
- Accommodation, diversity and the challenges of pluralism
- Contemporary forms of religiosity and spirituality in secular frameworks
- Teaching conservative Muslim and Christian values in a state funded school
- Religious freedom and free schooling; tensions and opportunities

Important dates

Abstract proposals of (approx) 200 words	10 February 2012
Confirmation of abstract acceptance	24 February 2012
Conference booking deadline	16 March 2012

Book your place:

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