

SARChI Chair Teaching and Learning Seminar Series 2022

Professor Shireen Motala, SARChI Chair Teaching and Learning, University of Johannesburg, invites you to a seminar

Topic: Gender and education: Contestations and comparisons

Presenter: Prof Elaine Unterhalter, Professor of Education and International Development at University College London (UCL) and Co-Director of the Centre for Education and International Development (CEID).

Discussant: Dr Beatrice Akala, University of Johannesburg

Date: 14 July 2022 | Time: 14:00 - 16:00 Venue: Hybrid Event, Ethical Conference Room, Madibeng Building, Auckland Park Kingsway Campus

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Abstract: The paper will map some of the contestations about how the concept of gender has been presented and contested in relation to thinking about education systems and the connections between schooling and higher education. Frameworks in play since the 1970s will be compared drawing out the ways in which gender is categorised, certain disciplinary forms are valorised,

and a politics of practice is formulated with implications for policies in schools and universities. Current trends which are theorised are around the idea of dispersal, link with processes of neoliberalism and co-option. These approaches will be compared with a different framework around connection, and the paper will attempt to distil some forms of politics of knowledge, and alliance building concerned with gender and education that might support this.

Elaine Unterhalter is Professor of Education and International Development at University College London (UCL) and Co- Director of the Centre for Education and International Development (CEID). She has written extensively on gender and education. Her books include *Gender*, *Schooling and Global Social Justice* (2007), *Education, Poverty and Global Goals for Gender Equality: How people make policy happen* (with Amy North, 2018), *Measuring the Unmeasurable in Education* (2019), *Critical reflections on Public Private Partnerships*, (2020, edited with Jasmine Gideon), and *Education and International Development: An Introduction* (2021, edited with Tristan McCowan). She is editing a Special Issue of *Comparative Education* looking at debates on gender and education, due for publication in 2023.

