Exploring self, subjectivity and emotion in the social science archive

Friday 20 March 2015, 10.00am – 1.00pm

Speaker: Jonathan Lawrence

Seminar Room B, Coombs Building no.9, ANU

This Masterclass, led by Jon Lawrence, will entail prior readings, seminar discussion and workshop exercises.

Description: This Masterclass will explore the strengths and weaknesses of conducting secondary analysis of social science field notes. It draws on Ray Pahl’s Sheppey interviews with the couple he calls Linda and Jim in Divisions of Labour (Oxford: Blackwell, 1983). Key extracts from the transcripts will be read alongside Pahl’s treatment (pp. 280-304 of Divisions of Labour) and Mike Savage’s ‘Revisiting classic qualitative studies’, Forum Qualitative Sozialforschung / Forum: Qualitative Social Research (2005).

Dr Jon Lawrence is a Reader in Modern British History, University of Cambridge & Official Fellow in History, Emmanuel College, Cambridge. Previously he taught at University College, London, the University of Liverpool and Harvard University (2002-3). He works on British social, political and cultural history from the mid-nineteenth century to the present. He has published extensively on political language and the culture of public politics. His book Electing Our Masters: the Hustings in British Politics from Hogarth to Blair was published by OUP in 2009. He chairs the editorial board of Twentieth-Century British History (OUP), and is an editorial advisor to History and Policy. He has been awarded a Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship for 2013-15 on the politics of social identity in Britain from the 1930s to the present, including a history of popular individualism (and its limits). Dr Lawrence is a Visitor in the School of History, ANU, February/March 2015. He will be giving a paper in the School of History’s seminar series on ‘Reconstructing the Politics of Everyday Life, 1945-1990’ on Wednesday 18 March 2015.

RSVP: The event is open, but registration is essential. Upon registration, the readings will be provided electronically.

Please register by Monday, 16th March by contacting Karen Smith

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