

COMPARATIVE HISTORIES OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL WORK ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH

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CURRICULUM VITAE of PRESENTERS

NAME	ROLES	CURRICULUM VITAE
Philip Murphy	Professor of British & Commonwealth History, University of London, Director of History & Policy at the Institute of Historical Research Co-Chair, Commonwealth Histories of Social Work Steering Group.	Philip is Joint Editor of the Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History and was until recently Director of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies. His research interests include twentieth-century British and Commonwealth history (including aspects of post-war British decolonization particularly in Africa), post-war African politics and the European colonial empires since the nineteenth century. He also studies intelligence history (MI5 (the Security Service) in the colonial Empire), and the activities of the British, Commonwealth and US intelligence communities in the twentieth century.
David N Jones	Consultant, People Need People COSW Main Representative to the Commonwealth Institutions Former President, International Federation of Social Workers Co-Chair Commonwealth Histories of Social Work Steering Group. Chair, Social Work History Network	David is a registered social worker, qualifying in 1974. He has extensive national and local government, NGO sector and private sector experience. He is a Governor of a local NHS healthcare provider and has always worked in multi-professional settings. His doctorate from Warwick University researched the impact of quality inspection on social work practice. David was IFSW/IASSW/ICSW Global Coordinator of The Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development (2012-20), editing four global reports. David has published and spoken globally on social work practice, social service management and regulation of social work and social services, children’s services, child abuse, social work and disasters, international social policy and the history of social work.

Sylvia Daisy Romanus	Chair, Commonwealth Organisation for Social Work Associate Professor, Department of Social Work, Madras Christian College (MCC), Chennai, India	Sylvia started her career as a teacher at Nava Nirmana Social Institute in 1999 and later taught social work at Stella Maris College moving to MCC in 2007. She serves on several boards, including Rural Job Creation, South India and Community Advisory Board, the National Institute for Tuberculosis Research, Indian Council for Medical Research. She has been a Guest Editor of the International Journal on Social Work Management. She led the Tribal Children Nutrition project 2014 to 2019, Tribal women Entrepreneurship and Empowerment project 2017 to 2019, and COVID 19 relief and rehabilitation project 2020, among others.
Wendy Thomson	Professor and Vice Chancellor, University of London	Wendy was appointed Vice-Chancellor in 2019. Born in Montreal Canada, Wendy has a distinguished career in public service and social policy research in Canada and the United Kingdom, combining senior roles in the academy and government. She worked in several local authorities in the UK before becoming Director of the Audit Commission. During Tony Blair's second government, Professor Thomson led the Office of Public Service Reform in the Cabinet Office. In 2005, Wendy moved back to Montreal as Professor in Social Policy at McGill University, Director of the School of Social Work and founding member of the centre for research on Children and Families.
Rt Hon Patricia Scotland	Secretary-General, Commonwealth Secretariat	Patricia is the 6th Commonwealth Secretary-General. Appointed in 2015, she is the second Secretary-General from the Caribbean and the first woman to hold the post. She was the first black woman to be appointed a Queen's Counsel (QC) in 1991, the youngest woman ever to be made a QC and the first black woman to be appointed Deputy High Court Judge, Recorder and Master of Middle Temple. She joined the House of Lords in 1997 as Baroness Scotland of Asthal going on to serve as a minister in the Foreign Office, Home Office and Lord Chancellor's Department.
Anne Gallagher	Director-General, Commonwealth Foundation	Anne is a lawyer, practitioner, teacher, and scholar, with a special interest in human rights and the administration of criminal justice. After several years teaching in the law school of the Australian National University, Anne served in the United Nations for 12 years, including as a special adviser to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson. In 2012, she was appointed Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) and named a '2012 hero' by US Secretary of State Hilary Clinton.

Philip Mendes	Professor, Director of the Social Inclusion and Social Policy Research Unit, Department of Social Work at Monash University, Victoria, Australia	Philip is the author or co-author of 12 books including: <i>Young people transitioning from out-of-home care: International research, policy and practice</i> co-edited with Pamela Snow (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016), the third edition of <i>Australia's Welfare Wars</i> (UNSW Press, 2017), and <i>Empowerment and control in the Australian welfare state: A critical analysis of Australian social policy since 1972</i> (Routledge, 2019).
Liz Beddoe	Professor of Social Work, University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau, New Zealand	Liz practised social work in health settings (1978-1991) and was Executive Officer for Aotearoa New Zealand Association of Social Workers (1990-1996). She was appointed to the inaugural Social Workers Registration Board (2003-6). Research interests include critical perspectives on social work education and supervision; professionalisation; social work professional identity, experiences of migrant social workers, and student hardship. She published several papers and books on professional supervision in helping professions and edited textbooks on social policy, health and well-being in social work and on transnational social workers. She is editor-in-chief of <i>Aotearoa New Zealand Social Work</i> . Liz is committed to developing positive and creative engagement in social media as a productive space for international social work research and professional development.
Teoh Ai Hua	Senior Lecturer, School of Applied Psychology, Social Work and Policy, College of Arts and Sciences, Universiti Utara Malaysia.	Teoh has a degree in Public Administration (UUM) and a MA (Social Work Studies) from University of Kent at Canterbury, UK. His area of interests includes public social welfare services, professionalization of social work, case management and care in the community. He was President of the Malaysian Association of Social Workers (2009-2017) and is now member of the Executive Committee. Currently, he serves as the member of the Special Project Team member for the Social Work Profession Bill, and also Vice President of the Malaysian Council on Welfare and Social Development (MAKPEM). Regionally, he serves as the Honorary Secretary of the International Federation of Social Workers-Asia Pacific (IFAP), and Vice President of the South East Asia and Pacific region of the International Council of Social Welfare (ICSW-SEAP). He is a board member of COSW and Chairperson (2014-2020).
Madya Fuziah Bt Shaffie	Professor, School of Applied Psychology, Social Work and Policy, College of Arts and Sciences, Universiti Utara Malaysia.	Fuziah received her BA (Hons.) in History and Islamic Studies from Universiti Malaya, Masters in South-East Asia Studies from University of Hull, United Kingdom, and PhD in Social Work from University of Warwick, United Kingdom. She is a member of the Malaysia Association of Social Worker (MASW), Asia Pacific Association of Social Work Education (APASWE) and is also actively involved in Malaysia Red Crescent Society (MRCS), the Sultanah Bahiyah Foundation, and the Social Entrepreneurship Foundation. Her area of specialization and research interest includes social work and social welfare history and volunteerism

Fasalu Rahman. M.	Ph.D. student, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai	Fasalu is currently pursuing a Ph.D. at Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai. He previously worked as Junior Social Worker (Medical) at Sree Chitra Thirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology Trivandrum (https://www.sctimst.ac.in/). He was a Research Associate at the Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (https://www.iimk.ac.in/) and Center Coordinator at Childline Kozhikode – ChildLine India Foundation (https://www.childlineindia.org/)
Baiju Vareed	Assistant Professor in the school of social work at MacEwan University in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.	Baiju received his doctorate in social work for his research on community engagement practices of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs). He has been a social work educator for the last twenty years, and his research interests are international social work, community engagement, and critical social work. Baiju serves as an elected member of the Alberta College of Social Workers.
Meenu Anand	Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi	Meenu has been actively involved in working on issues related to gender, mental health and education for more than two decades. Formerly with Women's Studies & Development Centre, University of Delhi, she has led several national and international projects focussing on multifaceted developmental issues during her specialized work experience with various grassroots NGOs. Meenu also conducts capacity building and gender sensitization workshops for school and University teachers, journalists, police personnel, NGO functionaries and several other stakeholders. She has published many books as well as research papers in national and international journals that seek to highlight issues related to gender and mental health within interdisciplinary frameworks.
George Palattiyil	Senior Lecturer and Head of Social Work, University of Edinburgh	George is from Kerala, India where he completed a Masters in Social Work. He taught at the University of Mumbai and the Tata Institute of Social Sciences before moving to Scotland in 1999 to research family carers of people living with HIV. He also worked as a statutory Social Worker, specialising in social work with older people. In 2005 he became a Lecturer in Social Work at the University of Strathclyde and in 2009 moved to the University of Edinburgh. His teaching and research interests are in the area of forced migration, human rights, individuals affected by HIV/AIDS and older people. He is the founding Convenor of the Global Refugee Health Research Network. He coedited 'Social Work in a Global Context – Issues and Challenges (Routledge, 2016), and is currently coediting an invited special issue for the 'Practice – Social Work in Action' journal.

Linda Kreitzer	Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Social Work University of Calgary, Canada Coordinating the team analysing the ASSWEA historical documents.	Linda retired in February 2022 from 16 years teaching and research. She has published 4 books (3 co-edited), 12 book chapters and 25 refereed articles. Her main interest is the history of social work education in Africa and looking at issues surrounding African social work curriculum. She is a member of the Association of Schools of Social Work in Africa. Her teaching interests included international indigenous issues, community practice, professional use of self, international social work and immigrants and refugees. She published <i>Social Work in Africa: Exploring Culturally Relevant Social Work Education and Practice in Ghana</i> (2012) and <i>The Tensions between Culture and Human Rights</i> (2021) with Dr. Sewpaul and Dr. Raniga of South Africa. She sat on the Board of Directors for the International Association of Schools of Social Work from 2014-2018.
Mohammed Nurudeen Musah (Yassannah)	Assistant Lecturer Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana, PhD student, University of Calgary, Canada	Yassannah's research focuses on social work with children and adolescents in street situations, particularly the vital role social work can play in advancing social justice and equity. He brings a particular research interest in the quality of life of children in deprived situations, substance use, public policy, community-based participatory research approaches, and social justice. He has research grounding in participatory action research and has an extensive practice background working with children in street and homeless situations.
Janestic Mwende Twikirize	Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, Makerere University, Uganda	Janestic holds a PhD in Social Work and Social Development. She has over 20 years University teaching and research experience in social work. She has published over 20 scientific papers including four books and made over 30 presentations in international conferences in the past 8 years. Between 2012 and 2018, she served as the Vice President of the Association of Schools of Social Work in Africa and a Board member of the International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW). She is part of the team of researchers analysing the ASSWEA historical documents.
Noel Muridzo	African Region President of the International Federation of Social Workers Director of the School of Social Work, Midlands State University, Zimbabwe	Noel is an African registered social worker with practice and research interest in child protection, environmental justice, corporate social responsibility and international social work. Noel is currently President of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) Africa Region. Noel has also served as the President of the National Association of Social Workers Zimbabwe (NASWZ).

Joachim Mumba	IFSW Africa Regional Vice President (2018-2022) Chief Executive Officer of the Social Workers' Association of Zambia	Joachim has close to 18 years' experience working in diverse fields of social work practice with international, non-profit advocacy and development organizations. His interest has been in children's rights, social accountability through local level advocacy and HIV & AIDS community led prevention initiatives. He supported the Government of Zambia in strengthening the social welfare workforce for improved child protection outcomes as Social Welfare Advisor. He is the founding member of the Social Workers' Association of Zambia and its Secretary General since 2005. He served as Africa Regional Representative on the IFSW Global Ethics Commission (2017-2018). His great passion is working with underserved communities through human rights advocacy in order to bring about desired change.
Eleanor Alvira Hendricks	Senior lecturer, Social Science and Humanities Department of Social Work, Fort Hare University, South Africa	Eleanor is a specialized family counsellor and her research interests include social work and social media, adolescent reproductive health, gender based violence and conflict management.
Thembelihle Brenda Makhanya	University of KwaZulu Natal, School of Applied Human Science, in the Discipline of Social Work	Thembelihle serves the Department of Correctional Services as a Victim-Offender Mediation Dialogue facilitator and co-ordinator. She is chairperson of Imbewu Youth Empowerment Centre, which addresses psychosocial issues faced by young people. She has produced a number of publications in local and international journals and presented papers in international, national and regional conferences. Her doctoral research focused on (de)colonial South African higher education and (de)colonial Social Work programme. Her research interest includes teaching and learning in higher education; (de)coloniality and (de)colonialism; Social Work education; and Fatherhood.
Cerita Buchanan	Head of the Social Work Training and Research Centre at the University of the West Indies (UWI)	Cerita is a Fulbright alum and Penn State Hubert Humphrey Fellow 2019-2020 where she studied international leadership. She is a consultant in social development with over 15 years' experience as a facilitator, educator (face-to-face and online) and social work clinician and researcher. She has been a member of the Jamaica Association of Social Workers for 15 years, member and past secretary of the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators. Areas of specialization include management and leadership, human behaviour, social development research and education, international leadership with a focus on women's leadership, qualitative research, mental health and coping in Jamaica, and intervention with vulnerable populations.

Jake Kuiken	Retired social worker, former President of the Alberta College of Social Workers, Canada	Jake's social work practice began in 1966 in Calgary Welfare Department. He joined the Alberta Association of Social Workers in 1968 and became a registered social worker in 1971. He retired in 2007 and is a Sessional Instructor at the University of Calgary Faculty of Social Work. He obtained a PhD in social work in 2014. For some 20 years he served on the Council of what is now the Alberta College of Social Workers, including eight years as its President during which he was the primary lobbyist for having social work recognized as a health profession, governed by the Health Professions Act. His professional practice experience includes social assistance, a brief stint in child welfare, family counsellor, community development, child care administrator, day care consultant, child development, social policy, social and recreation program management.
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Jill Manthorpe	Professor of Social Work, King's College London Director of the NIHR Policy Research Unit in Health & Social Care Workforce Steering Group Member of Social Work History Network & of Commonwealth Histories of Social Work Project.	Jill is an NIHR Senior Investigator Emeritus. She is involved in advisory work for the Department of Health and Social Care on several subjects and works closely with several social work employers to link research, policy and practice especially through Making Research Count. She is SR Nathan Honorary Professor at the Social Work Department of the National University of Singapore and Visiting Professor of Social Work at the University of Melbourne. She has published widely on social work practice and policy.
Charles Mbugua	Retired, qualified social worker Member, Commonwealth Histories of Social Work Steering Group IFSW representative to UN-HABITAT	Charles is a front-line social work practitioner with long and extensive experience in several countries in Africa. He is a past president of the International Federation of Social Workers Africa Region, and former co-chair of COSW. He is the co-chair of UN Habitat General Assembly of Partners (GAP) older persons' constituent group.
Sharon-Rose Gittens	Senior Welfare Officer, Barbados Welfare Department Former President, Barbados Association of Professional Social Workers (BAPSW) Member, COSW Board & Commonwealth Histories of Social Work Steering Group.	Sharon is a qualified social worker and a former Registered Nurse who joined Barbados Welfare Department in 1999. She holds a Masters of Educational Psychology involving a dissertation on understanding the perpetrator of domestic violence using learning theories. She was a partner on Barbados COVID 19 Mental Health Psychosocial First Aid Response, is a member of the Barbados Social Justice Committee and has been a Part-time Lecturer at University of the West Indies Cave Hill Campus since 1997.

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