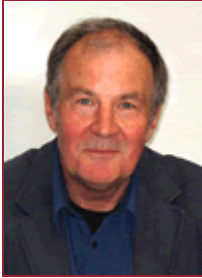


Keynote Speaker: *biographical details*



Professor Andrew Pilkington

Andrew Pilkington is Professor of Sociology at The University of Northampton. He is currently Associate Director of the Centre for Children and Youth and Director of the Equality and Diversity Research Group.

He has written extensively in the field of the sociology and is regularly invited to give presentations of his work across the world. Within the last couple of academic years, this has entailed giving keynotes and other talks in Greece, Jamaica, Singapore, Spain, Turkey, New Zealand and Australia. His research has especially focused on issues relating to race and ethnicity, and he has published widely in this area, including 'Racial Disadvantage and Ethnic Diversity in Britain' (Palgrave, 2003) and, with Shirin House and Kevin Hylton, an edited collection, 'Race(ing) Forward: Transitions in Theorising Race in Education' (HEA, 2009). His most recent book is 'Institutional Racism in the Academy: A Case Study' (Trentham, 2011).

Professor Pilkington has, in addition, a particular interest in pedagogic issues. He has taught Sociology both in schools and universities and is co-author of successive editions of a very popular textbook, 'Sociology in Focus' (Pearson, 2009). He has been an Associate of the Centre for Sociology, Anthropology and Politics, is Vice President of the Association of Teachers of Social Sciences and is particularly interested in exploring different pedagogies in addressing equality and diversity issues, especially in relation to the police.

Professor Pilkington is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts. He is also a member of the editorial board of Enhancing Learning in the Social Sciences (ELiSS) and Ethnicity and Race in a Changing World.