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## Zurich Human Geography Colloquium

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**Professor Kate Derickson**, Associate Professor, Geography, Environment and Society, University of Minnesota

**Policing the climate crisis: carceral ecologies and climate futures in Gullah/Geechee Nation and beyond**

**Public lecture: Thu, 5 May, 4-5PM, room Y25-H-79**

**Professor Sarah Holloway**, Loughborough University, UK

**Neoliberalism, marketisation and the diverse geographies of private tuition**

**Public lecture: Tue, 24 May, 4-5PM, Online**

Zoom-Link:

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Thu, 5 May 2022 | Prof Kate Derickson

## **Policing the climate crisis: carceral ecologies and climate futures in Gullah/Geechee Nation and beyond**

Thinking from a decade-long collaboration in Gullah/Geechee Nation in South Carolina, US, this talk brings together literatures on the political economy of urban governance, climate finance and the racial state. Hollowed out by neoliberal restructuring, local governments in the US are increasingly turning to racialized policing to raise revenues, charging officers with issuing numerous tickets for “quality of life” violations and minor driving infractions. Officers overwhelmingly target working class people of color for these kinds of tickets, entangling them in the carceral state, sometimes with deadly consequences. My research with Gullah/Geechee people suggest that these dynamics are also playing out in the realm of natural resource law enforcement and may provide a window into the future of racialized climate governance. I consider the opportunities and challenges this presents for making knowledges for climate futures otherwise.

**Kate Derickson** is an Associate Professor in the department of Geography, Environment and Society at the University of Minnesota and the Director of the Urban Studies Program. Her research and writing is concerned with political economy and the politics of knowledge production for transformative social change.

Tue, 24 May 2022 | Prof Sarah Holloway

## **Neoliberalism, marketisation and the diverse geographies of private tuition**

This paper considers the booming private tuition market, which in the UK is estimated to be worth £1-2 billion per annum. Neoliberalisation has resulted in marketisation of education in the nursery, school and higher education sector, but little is known about its impact on supplementary education in burgeoning Western markets. This paper provides two routes into these neoliberal geographies. First by focusing on the tuition industry, it explores the market’s uneven regional development, the changing spatiality of its business practices and the implications for workers in this unregulated sector. Secondly by considering families with children who may consume it, it unpicks how the educational playing field foments demand for tuition through global, national and local neighbourhood processes, and the consequences of this for different social groups. In conclusion, the paper emphasises the moral ambiguity of an industry that provides employment of differing quality, and services that can both promote, but also inhibit, social mobility.

**Sarah Holloway** is Professor of Human Geography at Loughborough University and a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in the UK. Her research considers social and economic issues affecting children, families and education.

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