

# UNIVERSITIES UNDER SIEGE?

WEBINARS ON 11–12 OCTOBER, 2021

Due to the Covid-19 situation, the 4th annual Philosophy and Theory of Higher Education Conference that was planned to take place in Uppsala on October 19th–20th, 2020, was postponed. The new date is set for June 7th–9th, 2022. In the interim, the organizers have offered a series of two-day webinars twice a year. You are cordially invited to the next webinars on October 11th–12th, 2021. **Webinar 1** will touch on the main themes of the conference (<https://www.humsam.uu.se/phec2020/about/>) in light of a comparative international analysis of the state of academic freedom. **Webinar 2** welcomes all junior scholars coming to the study of higher education, including postdocs and MA and PhD students, to share and discuss their research and project ideas.

The event is organized by The Philosophy and Theory of Higher Education Society (PaTHES) and Uppsala University's Center for Higher Education and Research as Objects of Study (HERO).

The event is free and open to all interested, but registration is obligatory. If you wish to attend, please send an email, with your name, title and affiliation, and email-address to:

[phec2020@humsam.uu.se](mailto:phec2020@humsam.uu.se)

**Please sign up for the webinars before October 5, 2021.**



## ATTEND FROM WHEREVER YOU ARE!

- Webinar 1 starts at 16:00 CEST, Webinar 2 at 15:00 CEST
- Los Angeles, at 07:00 and 6:00 (CEST -9)
- New York, at 10:00 and 09:00 (CEST -6)
- London, at 15:00 and 14:00 (CEST -1)
- Aarhus and Johannesburg, at 16:00 and 15:00 (CEST +/- 0)
- New Delhi, at 19:30 and 18:30 (CEST +3)
- Hong Kong, at 22:00 and 21:00 (CEST +6)
- Tokyo, at 23:00 and 22:00 (CEST +7)
- Canberra, at 01:00 and 02:00 (CEST +9)

## WEBINARS

### WEBINAR 1: THE STATE OF ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Date and time: October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 16.00–18.00 CEST

Panel members:



Professor **Cris Shore**, Department of Anthropology, Goldsmiths University of London, UK



Professor **Wesley Shumar**, Department of Communication, Drexel University, USA



Professor **Susan Wright**, Department of Educational Anthropology, Aarhus University, Denmark

Webinar 1 will be chaired by Professor **Sharon Rider**, Department of Philosophy, Uppsala University, Sweden.

### WEBINAR 2: THINKING IN PROGRESS – A PATHES COMMUNITY-BUILDING EVENT

Date and time: October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 15.00–18.00 CEST

For participation in the project workshop, please send a short outline (ca 500 words) describing your academic position, background (MA, PhD, postdoc, independent, etc.) and institutional affiliation (university, faculty, discipline) as well as your research topic, central themes, theories, core concepts and methods. Say something about what sort of issues you would like the webinar to address. *Submit your outline at <https://forms.gle/vkK95k9tUYZ2rxEEA> no later than October 5.*

#### Program:



#### 15:00 Part 1 - Lecture and Panel Discussion

- **Ron Barnett**: 'Woods and Trees: In Praise of the Big Picture'
- PATHES member panel: Why I joined the PATHES community and why I stayed

#### 16:00 Part 2 - Project workshop

Thinking together: breakout groups consisting of 2 faculty members and 3-5 junior scholars to discuss your research ideas with PATHES' senior scholars



#### 17:15 Part 3 - Closing session

Key points & future steps: **Tessa DeLaquil**, PhD Student, Center for International Higher Education, Boston College and **Dagrun Astrid Aarø Engen**, Associate Professor, Department for Education and Lifelong Learning, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, chair a conversation about building a PaTHES research community for junior scholars.

