

Invitation: Catherine Manathunga visits Roskilde University 11/11

We are delighted to announce that Professor Catherine Manathunga from Victoria University Australia will present at an open seminar on doctoral education and supervision on Friday the 11th of November. Manathunga is internationally recognized in this field and the field of higher education studies generally. Her most recent book is *Intercultural Postgraduate Supervision: Reimagining time, place and knowledge* (2014, Routledge). Manathunga will first present a lecture, after which there will be ample time for discussion.

Title and abstract for the lecture are:

Working with theory in doctoral education research

Research on doctoral education has been increasing since the mid-1990s. While some researchers have been more active in being explicit about the theoretical paradigms they are drawing upon, there remains a dominant body of research in this sub-field of higher education that adopts a liberal, realist framing that remains largely unaware of its positivist conceptual framing. This work tends to ignore the issues of power, pedagogy, irrationality and the body. However, this is problematic because it is usually this research that attracts the attention of government and senior university policy makers. This session seeks to chart the theoretical contours of the field of doctoral education and make a case for postcolonial and poststructural theoretical research on doctoral education.

Readings:

1. Manathunga, C. (2011). Post-colonial theory: enriching and unsettling doctoral education. In Mallan, V. & Lee, A. (Eds.) *Doctoral education: papers at the IDERN Research Meeting, Malaysia, 2011*, Serdang: Penerbit Universiti Purtra Malaysia, 84-99.
2. Grant, B. M. (2013). "Not all academics can do it" : the haunted spaces of post-colonial supervision. In A. C. Engels-Schwarzpaul, Peters, MA (Eds.) *Of other thoughts: Non-traditional ways to the doctorate: a guidebook for candidates and supervisors* (pp. 279-296). Rotterdam: Sense Publishers.

The session will run from 9:30-12 in 27.1-89

Those who wish to can join us for lunch in the RUC canteen (which actually serves nice food), and pay their own way.

Please email <http://events.ruc.dk/EAE-CatherineManathunga/venue.html> to register by November 7.