Call for Papers: Global Changes in the “World of Work” and “Personal Lives” in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Submission Deadline: January 15, 2021

Guest Editors

David Fryer, Researcher, University of Queensland, Australia
Cathy McCormack, Community Activist, Easterhouse, Scotland

Potential authors are invited, but not obliged, to contact Guest Editor, David Fryer to discuss preliminary ideas.

Details

*International Perspectives in Psychology* is issuing this call for a special issue of conceptual, methodological, empirical, practical, and policy articles; briefs; and accounts of praxis and lived experience in relation to unemployment, underemployment, in-employment poverty, and labor market related inequality in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This special issue will welcome contributions from: community activists; critical social theorists; emancipatory disability researchers; epidemiologists; ethnographers of the modern subject; feminists; geographers; governmentality researchers; industrial relations researchers; Marxists; psychoanalysts; public health researchers; positivists; queer theorists; social policy researchers; and sociologists, as well as researchers in all subdisciplines of psychology.

Submissions which explicitly address interconnections between global changes in the “world of work” and “personal lives” in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, how such interconnections should be understood, and practical implications of their approach will be especially welcomed.

Contributions may include but are not limited to the following possible topics:

• What can be learned from accumulated research and scholarship, within different frames of reference, to aid understanding and to develop and deploy effective, socially-just interventions in relation to the likely implications of changes in the world of work for personal lives in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic?
• In which ways are accumulated research and scholarship part of the solution and in which ways part of the problem?
• How should changes in personal lives due to changes in the world of work in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic be least problematically documented and explained in future research?
• In which ways are involuntary unemployment, underemployment, poverty, and inequality responsible for individual misery, morbidity and mortality, and family, community, and broader social problems?
• What innovative solutions have worked/would work for restoring rich and sustainable personal lives?
• What alternatives are there in, and to, the world of work?
• What role might Universal Basic Income play in future societies?
• Should we go back to pre-pandemic worlds of work?

*International Perspectives in Psychology* is issuing this call for a special issue of conceptual, methodological, empirical, practical, and policy articles and briefs to address this topic.

Additional information about *International Perspectives in Psychology* and a link to the journal’s submission portal are available on the International Perspectives in Psychology homepage.

Special issue related correspondence can be emailed to the Guest Editor, David Fryer, PhD. General correspondence can be emailed to the Editor, Stuart Carr, PhD.