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Biography

Dr Philip McDermott is a senior lecturer in Sociology within the School of Applied Social and Policy Sciences. In Sociology he teaches modules on Media Sociology, Research Methods and Irish Society.

Philip's research is concerned with the broad field of cultural identity and heritage. His work focuses specifically on the relationship between the state and the heritage of minority groups – especially linguistic and migrant minorities.

One key strand of Philip's work is in the area of language policy and planning for (and by) migrant communities. He has a specific interest in the perception of migrant languages in public places, the ways that government and communities deal with such linguistic diversity and the manner in which multilingualism and bilingualism are dealt with in policy contexts. In 2011 Philip published a book on these research themes and his work has also appeared in international journals such as English Today, Current Issues in Language Planning, Identities, Ethnicities, and Ethnopolitics. In 2019 he co-edited an edition of the Anthropological Journal of European Cultures on Linguistic Identities in 21st Century Europe - <https://doi.org/10.3167/ajec.2019.280205> (With Dr Sarah McMonagle, Hamburg).

A second element of Philip's research relates to concepts of heritage and identity in diverse settings. He has published on the political dynamics of Derry's year as UK City of Culture (with NicCraith and Strani, Heriot Watt) and also on the context of heritage and migration in Northern Ireland. Recently he was the PI on an AHRC/Living Legacies sponsored project on the dynamics of commemorating WWI amongst migrant communities living in Northern Ireland. He also was part of an ERASMUS Plus Programme (Youth Work and You) which developed online tools for Youth Workers relating to identity in diverse settings with Dr Breda Friel (Ulster PI).

Philip has received funding from sources such as the British Academy, the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the National Trust and the Department for International Development to support his research. From 2015-16 he was the holder of a prestigious Charlemont Scholarship from the Royal Irish Academy. In addition, Philip has also acted as an independent research expert for the European Commission. He continues to work closely with a number of NGOs representing ethnic minority communities in Northern Ireland.

Qualifications

PhD
Award Date: 10 Dec 2008
Master
Bachelor

Employment

Senior Lecturer

Senior Lecturer
School of Applied Social and Policy Sc.
Vice-Chancellor's Office
1 Aug 2017 → present

Senior Lecturer

Faculty of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences
Vice-Chancellor's Office
1 Aug 2017 → present

Independent Expert

European Commission
Belgium
1 Jun 2017 → present

Research outputs

Cultural Heritage across European Borders Bridges or Walls?

McDermott, P. & McDowell, S., 1 Apr 2021, (Accepted/In press) In: *Anthropological Journal of European Cultures*. 30, 1, p. 96-103 p.

Dealing with the Legacy of Conflict in Northern Ireland through Engagement and Dialogue

Lundy, P. (ed.), Gilmartin, N. (ed.), McDermott, P. (ed.), Finegan, R. (ed.) & Murphy, R. (ed.), 21 Mar 2021, 254 p.

Migration and the Making of a Diverse City

McDermott, P., Ó Ciardha, É. (ed.) & Kelly, W. P., 1 Jan 2021, Derry: Guildhall Press. 18 p.

Language, Power and Identity Politics: Continuing Challenges for Today's Europe

McDermott, P., 1 Dec 2020, *Per Scribendum, Sumus: Ethnopoiesis, Or: Writing Heritage*. Vienna, p. 51-9 p.

Per Scribendum, Sumus: Ethnopoiesis, Or: Writing Heritage

Kockel, U. (ed.), McDermott, P. (ed.) & Campbell, L. (ed.), 1 Dec 2020, Vienna: LIT Verlag. 261 p.

Writing Heritage, Anthropologically

Kockel, U., McDermott, P. & Campbell, L., 1 Dec 2020, *Per Scribendum, Sumus: Ethnopoiesis, Or: Writing Heritage*. Vienna, p. 1-8 p.

Local Public Service Media in Northern Ireland: the merit goods argument

Ramsey, P. & McDermott, P., 27 Apr 2020, *Routledge Companion to Local Media and Journalism*. Gulyas, A. & Baines, D. (eds.). Routledge, p. 448-456 9 p.

Language and a Continent in Flux: Twenty-First Century Tensions of Inclusion and Exclusion

McDermott, P. & McMonagle, S., 1 Sep 2019, In: *Anthropological Journal of European Cultures*. 28, 2, p. 66-71 6 p.

Linguistic Identities in 21st Century Europe: Edited Forum in Anthropological Journal of European Cultures

McDermott, P. (ed.) & McMonagle, S. (ed.), 1 Sep 2019, 42 p. Berghahn Books.

Youth Work in Diverse Societies: introduction

Friel, B. & McDermott, P., 1 Sep 2019, 15 p.

Youth Work in Diverse Societies: Skills and Self-Awareness for Youth Work Practice in a Diverse Society

Friel, B. & McDermott, P., 1 Sep 2019, 15 p.

Youth Work in Diverse Societies: Diversity in Practice

Friel, B. & McDermott, P., 1 Sep 2019, 15 p.

From ridicule to legitimacy? 'Contested languages' and devolved language planning

McDermott, P., 30 Apr 2019, In: *Current Issues in Language Planning*. 20, 2, p. 121-139 19 p.

Linguistic Recognition in Deeply Divided Societies: Antagonism or Reconciliation?

McDermott, P. & Nic Craith, M., 2019, *The Palgrave Handbook of Minority Languages and Communities*. Hogan-Brun, G. & O'Rourke, B. (eds.). Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, p. 159-179 21 p.

Migrants and the Heritage Sector: Issues of Recognition, Access and Representation

McDermott, P., 15 Aug 2018, *Heritage After Conflict: Northern Ireland*. Croke, E. & Maguire, T. (eds.). Routledge, p. 1-20

Diverse Perspectives on a Global Conflict: Migrant Voices and Living Legacies of World War One
Mc Dermott, P., 25 Mar 2018

Shared Stories, Safe Spaces

Friel, B. & McDermott, P., 2018, Derry : North West Migrants Forum. 21 p.

Language rights and the Council of Europe: A failed response to a multilingual continent?

Mc Dermott, P., 1 Oct 2017, In: *Ethnicities*. 17, 5, p. 603-626 24 p.

Social Innovation in Community Development

Mc Dermott, P. & Seenoi-Bar, L., 2017, (Accepted/In press) *Social Innovation in Ireland: Challenges and Prospects*. Dublin: Glasnevin Publishers, p. 86-94

Immigration, Race and Ethnicity in an Already Divided Society

McDermott, P., 2016, *Politics of Identity in Post-Conflict States: The Bosnian and Irish Experience*. London: Routledge, p. 207-222

Attitudes towards minority ethnic people and migrant workers 2014

McDermott, P., Nov 2015, Access Research Knowledge. 4 p.

Fundamental Issues in Evaluation and Research in Violently Divided Societies: An Analysis of the Literature

McDermott, P., Yousuf, Z., Strecker, J. & Mendez, E., 2015, *Evaluation in the Extreme: Research, Impact and Politics in Violently Divided Societies*. New Delhi: SAGE Publications, p. 33-88

Public space, collective memory and intercultural dialogue in a (UK) city of culture

McDermott, P., Nic Craith, M. & Strani, K., 2015, In: *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*. Online

Transitional Politics and Language Rights in a Multi-ethnic Northern Ireland: Towards a True Linguistic Pluralism?

McMonagle, S. & McDermott, P., 30 Jun 2014, In: *Ethnopolitics*. 13, 3, p. 245-266 22 p.

Research Update 95: Intolerance towards minority ethnic communities: An overview of responses 2005-2013

McDermott, P., 2014, Access Research Knowledge. 4 p.

A 'Shared Society'? Attitudes on immigration and diversity (Research Update 86)

McDermott, P., Nov 2013, Access Research Knowledge. 4 p.

Cohesion, sharing and integration? Migrant languages and cultural spaces in Northern Ireland's urban environment

McDermott, P., 2012, In: *Current Issues in Language Planning*. 13, 3, p. 187-205

Book Review: Language and conflict in Northern Ireland and Canada: a silent war by Janet Muller (Palgrave).

McDermott, P., 2011, In: *Current Issues in Language Planning*. 12, 3, p. 427-430

'Irish isn't spoken here?' Language policy and planning in Ireland

McDermott, P., 2011, In: *English Today*. 27, 2, p. 25-31

Migrant Languages in the Public Space: A Case Study from Northern Ireland

McDermott, P., 2011, Muenster: LIT Verlag. 304 p.

Negotiating Belonging: Discourse on Culture and Language for Migrants from the Global South

McDermott, P. & Odhiambo, E., 2010, In: *Policy and Practice: A Development Education Review*. 11, p. 112-119

Voices From the Global South

Odhiambo, E. & McDermott, P., 2010, Centre for Global Education. 56 p.

Acquisition, Loss or Multilingualism? Educational Planning for Speakers of Migrant Community Languages in Northern Ireland

Mc Dermott, P., 2008, In: *Current Issues in Language Planning*. 9, 4, p. 483-500

Towards Linguistic Diversity? Community Languages in Northern Ireland

McDermott, P., 2008, In: *Shared Space: A research journal on peace, conflict and community relations in Northern Ireland*. 5, p. 5-20

Broadcasting for Minorities: The Case of the Celtic Languages

McDermott, P., 2007, *Language, Power and Identity Politics*. Nic Craith, M. (ed.). Palgrave Macmillan, p. 101-122

Oral Histories of Irish Heritage at the 2007 Smithsonian Folklife Festival

McDermott, P., 2007

Supporting Linguistic Diversity in the United Kingdom: The Case of Northern Ireland

McDermott, P., 2007, *Multiculturalism at the Start of the 21st Century: The British-Polish Experience*. Kujawinska-Courtney, K. & Lukowska, M. (eds.). Wydawnictwo UŁ, p. 97-105

Activities

Multilingualism in the UK in the Post-Brexit Climate

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker)

3 Feb 2021

Irish Journal of Sociology (Journal)

Philip Mc Dermott (Editor)

1 Nov 2020

Grant peer reviewer

Philip Mc Dermott (Other)

3 Jun 2020

European Commission (External organisation)

Philip Mc Dermott (Member)

31 Mar 2020 → 3 Jun 2020

Sociological Association of Ireland (External organisation)

Philip Mc Dermott (Member)

1 Jan 2020

Migrant Languages in the Public Space

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker)

30 Nov 2019

International Heritage Law, Migration and Belonging

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker)

25 Oct 2019

Irish Humanities Alliance Annual Conference

Philip Mc Dermott (Participant)
25 Oct 2019

Ministry of Science and Higher Education Poland (External organisation)

Philip Mc Dermott (Member)
1 Sep 2019 → ...

Routledge (Publisher)

Philip Mc Dermott (Reviewer)
22 Mar 2019

Anthropological Journal of European Cultures (Journal)

Philip Mc Dermott (Reviewer)
2019

Association of Critical Heritage Studies (External organisation)

Philip Mc Dermott (Member)
1 Oct 2018

Migrant Voices and Living Legacies of World War One

Philip Mc Dermott (Participant)
Aug 2018 → ...

European Commission (External organisation)

Philip Mc Dermott (Member)
28 Jun 2018

Tallinn University

Philip Mc Dermott (Visiting researcher)
8 Jun 2018 → 16 Jun 2018

Youth Work and the Social Sciences in a Diverse Society

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker) & Breda Friel (Speaker)
4 Jun 2018

Humak University of Applied Sciences

Philip Mc Dermott (Visiting researcher)
18 Feb 2018 → 25 Feb 2018

Multilingualism for Wellbeing

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker)
19 Oct 2017

Anthropological Journal of European Cultures (Journal)

Philip Mc Dermott (Editor)
1 Oct 2017

De Gruyter Mouton (Publisher)

Philip Mc Dermott (Reviewer)
27 Sep 2017

Language policy, multilingualism and wellbeing

Philip Mc Dermott (Speaker)
6 Jul 2017

Palgrave Macmillan (Publisher)

Philip Mc Dermott (Reviewer)
2 Jul 2017

Heriot-Watt University

Philip Mc Dermott (Visiting researcher)
11 May 2015 → 22 May 2015

Berghahn Books (Publisher)

Philip Mc Dermott (Reviewer)
3 Apr 2014

Prizes**Charlemont Scholar Royal Irish Academy 2014-2015**

Mc Dermott, Philip (Recipient), 19 Feb 2015

Legal Island Diversity Champion - Education Sector

Mc Dermott, Philip (Recipient), 23 Mar 2018

Awards**Museums, Crisis and Covid-19: Vitality and Vulnerabilities**

Maguire, T., Crooke, E., Friel, B., Mc Dermott, P., Jackson, H. & Hook, A.
1/12/20 → 31/05/22