

Biography

Dr Neil M Speirs

Dr Neil M Speirs is Widening Participation Manager at The University of Edinburgh. His role involves working as a manager, practitioner and researcher in a number of areas concerning widening participation & access and related policy. His community based projects along with his teaching and research are centred around a number of areas of interest that span from primary education through secondary, further and higher education. A few of these areas of interest and specialisms are; the transition from primary to secondary education, the sociology of sport, undergraduate student transitions, the equity of student experience, social reproduction & critical pedagogy, the working class mature student, student parents, the hidden curriculum, classism on campus, peer-related pedagogies and autoethnography.