

Newsletter of the International Sociological Association Research Committee 15 (Sociology of Health) – July 2021

English version

Greetings from the President of International Sociological Association, RC15 Sociology of Health

Miwako Hosoda, Seisa University, Japan



The theme of the International Sociological Association Forum in February 2021 was "Challenges of the 21st Century: Democracy, Environment, Inequalities, Intersectionality". Given the COVID-19 situation, the Forum was held online for the first time, and the issues that need to be discussed were presented and vigorously debated. I would like to thank everyone who attended from RC15.

COVID-19 has reminded us that we need not only medical care, but also various social factors such as politics, economy, and public awareness to protect health. In addition, we have realised how important it is to cooperate with each other on a global scale. The socially vulnerable, such as the sick, the disabled, women, children, the elderly, the needy, and ethnic minorities were hit even harder by COVID-19. COVID-19 not only is physically damaging, but is a social disease that divides our society and promotes inequality and prejudice. In response to this, sociologists who are engaging in health matters should make a significant contribution.

Since the development of the vaccine at the end of 2020, further international collaboration has become necessary. This has taken the form of COVAX, an international framework in which high and middle-income countries jointly purchase COVID-19 vaccines and distribute them free of charge to developing countries. More than 180 countries and regions are participating, and are working to end COVID-19, but it will take some time before it is over.

At the recent meeting of the ISA Board of Trustees, it was decided to postpone the 20th World Congress of Sociology from 25 June 2022 to 1 July 2023. The theme will be 'Resurgent Authoritarianism: The Sociology of New Entanglements of Religions, Politics, and Economies'. We are still discussing whether it will be online or face-to-face, so we will let you know as soon as we can. We are looking forward to receiving abstracts from our RC15

members for presentations on the authoritarian acts that are taking place in various parts of the world today, the social movements and civil societies that are opposing them, and the involvement of sociologists in them.

Best wishes,

Miwako Hosoda

Japanese version

世界社会学会 RC15 健康社会学 会長からのご挨拶

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2021年2月の世界社会学会フォーラムは、“Challenges of the 21st Century: Democracy, Environment, Inequalities, Intersectionality”がテーマでした。COVID-19の状況下で、初めてオンラインで開催され、まさに今こそ論じるべき課題が発表され、活発な議論が交わされました。ご参加された皆様に感謝いたします。

COVID-19によって、健康を守るためには、医療だけでなく政治、経済、人々の認識など様々な社会的要素が必要であり、世界規模で協力し合わなくてはならないことが再認識されました。また、特に社会的弱者と呼ばれる病者や障がい者、女性や子ども、高齢者、生活困窮者やエスニック・マイノリティ（民族的少数者）や外国人などは、COVID-19によってさらに大きな打撃を受けました。災害やパンデミックなどの非常時には、通常であつても社会的に弱い立場の人たちはさらに困窮することが、先行研究から明らかになっています。COVID-19は単に身体的なダメージだけではなく、私たちの社会を分断し、格差や偏見を助長するような社会的な病です。これに対して、私たち保健医療を対象として社会学者は、大きな貢献をすることが期待されています。

2020年末にワクチンが開発されてからは、さらなる国際協調が必要になってきました。それが形になったのが高・中所得国がCOVID-19ワクチンを共同購入し、途上国などに無償で分配する国際的な枠組みCOVAXです。180以上の国・地域が参加していて、COVID-19の終息に向けた取り組みをしていますが、終息までにはまだ時間がかかりそうです。

先般の開催されたISAの評議員会では、第20回世界社会学会議を2023年6月25日から7月1日に延期することが決定されました。テーマは、「復活する権威主義。宗教・政治・経済の新たな絡み合いの社会学」です。オンラインか対面かについてはまだ協議中ですので、分かり次第お知らせしたいと思います。今日、世界各地で繰り広げられている権威主義的行為と、それに対抗する社会運動や市民社会について、またそれらへの社会学者の関わりについて、会員各位の意欲的な発表申し込みを期待しています。

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Italian version

Saluto della Presidente dell'International Sociological Association, RC15 Sociology of Health

Miwako Hosoda, Seisa University, Japan

Il tema del Forum dell'International Sociological Association lo scorso febbraio 2021 era "Sfide del XXI secolo: democrazia, ambiente, disuguaglianze, intersezionalità". Data la situazione di COVID-19, il Forum si è tenuto online per la prima volta, e le problematiche che era necessario discutere sono state presentate e vivacemente dibattute. Vorrei ringraziare tutti coloro del RC15 che hanno partecipato

Il COVID-19 ci ha ricordato che non sono rilevanti solo le cure mediche, ma anche diversi fattori sociali quali quelli politici, economici e la consapevolezza pubblica della protezione della salute. In aggiunta, ci siamo accorti di quanto importante sia cooperare con gli altri su scala globale. I socialmente vulnerabili, come i malati, i disabili, le donne, i bambini, gli anziani, gli indigenti e le minoranze etniche sono stati coloro maggiormente colpiti dal COVID-19. Il COVID-19 colpisce non soltanto fisicamente, ma è una patologia sociale che divide la nostra società e favorisce disuguaglianze e pregiudizi. In risposta a ciò, i sociologi che sono impegnati in ambito sanitario dovrebbero offrire un contributo significativo.

Con lo sviluppo del vaccino alla fine del 2020, una ulteriore collaborazione internazionale è divenuta necessaria. Essa ha preso forma con COVAX, un accordo internazionale in base al quale i paesi ad alto e medio reddito acquistano congiuntamente vaccini per il COVID-19 e li distribuiscono gratuitamente ai paesi in via di sviluppo, Oltre 180 paesi e regioni stanno partecipando e stanno operando per metter fine al COVID-19, ma ci vorrà del tempo prima che finisca.

Ad un recente meeting dell'ISA Board of Trustees, è stato deciso di posporre il XX Congresso mondiale di sociologia dal 25 giugno 2022 al 1 luglio 2023. Il tema sarà "Autoritarismo risorgente: la sociologia dei nuovi intrecci di religioni, politica ed economia". Siamo ancora discutendo se sarà online, in presenza o entrambi, per cui vi faremo sapere non appena possibile. Prevediamo di ricevere gli abstract dai nostri membri del RC15 per relazioni sulle azioni autoritarie che stanno avendo luogo in varie parti del mondo attuale, sui movimenti sociali e la società civile che si stanno opponendo ad essi e sul coinvolgimento dei sociologi in essi.

Cordiali saluti,

Miwako Hosoda

Portuguese version

Saudações da Presidente da Associação Internacional de Sociologia, RC15 Sociologia da Saúde

Miwako Hosoda, Universidade de Seisa, Japão

O tema do Fórum da Associação Internacional de Sociologia em fevereiro de 2021 foi "*Desafios do Século 21: Democracia, Meio Ambiente, Desigualdades, Interseccionalidade*". Dada a situação da COVID-19, o Fórum foi realizado online, pela primeira vez, e as questões que precisavam ser discutidas foram apresentadas e vigorosamente debatidas. Agradeço a todos que participaram do RC15.

COVID-19 nos lembrou que precisamos não apenas de cuidados médicos, mas também de vários fatores sociais como políticas, economia e conscientização pública, para proteger a saúde. Além disso, percebemos como é importante cooperar uns com os outros em escala global. Pessoas socialmente vulneráveis, como: os doentes, os deficientes, as mulheres, as crianças, os idosos, os necessitados e as minorias étnicas foram ainda mais atingidos pela COVID-19. COVID-19 não é apenas prejudicial fisicamente, mas é uma doença social que divide nossa sociedade e promove a desigualdade e o preconceito. Em resposta a isso, os sociólogos que estão engajados em questões de saúde devem dar uma contribuição significativa.

Desde o desenvolvimento da vacina no final de 2020, tornou-se necessária mais colaboração internacional. Isso tomou a forma de COVAX, uma estrutura internacional em que países de renda alta e média compram em conjunto vacinas para COVID-19 e as distribuem gratuitamente aos países em desenvolvimento. Mais de 180 países e regiões estão participando e trabalhando para encerrar o COVID-19, no entanto levará algum tempo antes de terminar.

Na recente reunião do Conselho de Curadores da ISA, foi decidido adiar o 20º Congresso Mundial de Sociologia de 25 de junho de 2022 para 1º de julho de 2023. O tema será "*Autoritarismo Ressurgente: a Sociologia de Novos Emaranhamentos de Religiões, Políticas e Economias*". Ainda estamos discutindo se será online, presencial ou ambos, por isso avisaremos você assim que possível. Estamos ansiosos para receber resumos dos membros do RC15 para apresentações sobre os atos autoritários que estão ocorrendo em várias partes do mundo atualmente, os movimentos sociais e sociedades civis que se opõem a eles e o envolvimento de sociólogos neles.

Muitas felicidades,

Miwako Hosoda

Note of thanks for translations

Many thanks are due for the translations in this edition of the Newsletter to: Miwako Hosoda, Guido Giarelli and Nelson Barros.

THE RC15 PROGRAM AT THE ISA FORUM IN BRAZIL, 23-27 FEBRUARY 2021

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General information

As you will know, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the ISA Executive Committee decided to postpone the IV ISA Forum of Sociology in Porto Alegre, Brazil, until 23-27 February 2021 which was held online. The final ISA Forum on 'Challenges of the 21st Century: Democracy, Environment, Inequalities, Intersectionality' included the following RC15 sessions:

- Medicalization of Sexual and Reproductive Health in the Global South
- Sociology of Complementary and Alternative Medicine
- Health Policy Reforms in Sub-Saharan Africa and the Challenges of the 21st Century
- Medication as a New Social Tool for Workplace Performance? Revisiting the Dissemination of Pharmaceuticalization
- The Professionalization of Healthcare: Facing the Challenges of the 21st Century. Parts I-III
- Poster presentations
- Health Research in International Perspective. Parts I-II
- Health Social Movements
- Patients Participation to Make a Collective Impact
- Bourdieu and the Inequalities of Healthcare
- From Social Suffering to a Sociology of Negative?
- Mental Health in Latin America: A New Social Question?
- Sociology in the Field of Health and Health in the Field of Sociology: Challenges of the Sociology of Health
- Digitalization and Health
- Access to "Expensive" Medical Technologies

The RC15 Business meeting was also held as part of the program on 24 February, chaired by Miwako Hosoda. There were some dozen participants, including several Board members. The RC15 President presented the meeting agenda. Afterwards the RC15 Vice-President discussed the planning for the current ISA Forum and the future ISA World Congress, then scheduled to be held in Melbourne, Australia, on 24-30 July 2022.

The Vice-President then informed the participants about succession issues and Board elections for 2022, when four RC15 members must be replaced and new leaders must be agreed by the Board. The RC15 President then invited the Secretary/Treasurer to present

the list of members, which are, at the moment, around 140 people from 46 countries. It was observed that the number of members had decreased since 2020, which has consequences for the level of ISA funding in 2021 and the number of sessions allocated at the next ISA World Congress. In this light, strategies were discussed to encourage previous members to renew and to recruit new members.

The RC15 Secretary/Treasurer then presented the accounting report, highlighting our very healthy present balance and the budget. The President invited the Vice-President to say more about the RC15 Newsletter and the different possibilities members have to publish books and book chapters. The Vice-President noted that submissions for the next Newsletter published in July 2021 should be made to him before the end of June.

Before the general discussion was opened up to participants, the President invited members to take part in the 2nd Congress of East Asian Sociological Association, entitled “Social Transformation in Asia: Before and After Covid-19”, that will take place on 29-30 October, 2021 at Pukyong National University in Korea.

After this, other Board members and meeting participants were invited to bring forward any items. Once these were discussed the President closed the Business Meeting, thanking the RC15 Program Coordinators and Session Organizers at the Forum.

XX ISA WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA 25 JUNE - 1 JULY 2023 Resurgent Authoritarianism: The Sociology of New Entanglements of Religions, Politics, and Economies



At its meeting held in May 2021 the Assembly of Councils of the ISA reached the decision to postpone the next ISA World Congress to 25 June-1 July 2023.

Overview

In terms of the overarching theme, the global rise of authoritarianism, as well as populism, xenophobia, and racism, makes our task as sociologists more crucial than ever. This dilemma is assisted by the gradual symbolic thickening of public culture through combinations of extreme nationalist and religious fervour underpin the Congress.

What is the best way to analyse global resurgent authoritarianism? In addition to dealing with

the scars of the colonial era, a postcolonial approach should be supplemented with another approach; we need to find ways to diagnose and resist this resurgence. This approach should take into account how authoritarianism affects not only our societies, but also our knowledge production. The self-centred and unspoken have become more important than the told and argued. We are concerned not only with the hard authoritarianism that heralds the brutalization of society and politics, but also the soft authoritarianism that often thrives in the shadow of neoliberalism, as the state moves deftly in the open or in secret to devise modes of governance that shore up its power against popular discontent.

A special interest of our Congress is how to disaggregate the Western, but also sociological, assumption of secularism as inherent in modern society and at the same time analytically dissociate the state from religion. While this separation is still a crucial pathway toward democracy and citizenship, the process needs to be problematized. We particularly look forward to discussing the promising avenues of inquiry within sociology and related disciplines about what have been termed 'post-secular societies' and 'multiple secularities'.

Thus the Congress will focus on how sociologists worldwide can (and do) contribute to the understanding of the resurgent authoritarianism and analyse the new entanglements of religions, politics, and economies. It will also focus on how sociologists engage (physically and critically) in the formidable social movements we are witnessing today in different parts of the world and in a renascent civil society.

BOOK SERIES

SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS: FUTURE INTERNATIONAL DIRECTIONS

This series co-edited by Mike Saks and Mike Dent centres on the production of high quality, original work in the sociology of health professions with an innovative focus on the future directions of such professions. It covers a wide range of health professional areas, and interrelated health fields such as social care, medicine, nursing and allied health.

It is oriented towards final year/postgraduate students, academic lecturers and researchers, practitioners and policy makers. Its general aims are:

- To inform/stimulate debate about the sociology of health professions
- To influence policy development and practice in the fields concerned
- To make a significant contribution to thinking in the sociology of health
- To produce original national/international work of recognised high quality.

This is a reminder that proposals for future books in the series are invited. These should be submitted in the first instance to the series co-editors Mike Saks (m.saks@uos.ac.uk) and Mike Dent (Mike.Dent@staffs.ac.uk).

Current books in the series include:

- J. M. Chamberlain, M. Dent and M. Saks (eds) (2018) Professional Health Regulation in the Public Interest: International Perspectives.
- M. Saks (2020) Support Workers and the Health Professions in International Perspective: The Invisible Providers of Health Care.
- S. Nancarrow and A. Borthwick (2021) The Allied Health Professions: A Sociological Perspective.
- J-L. Denis, S. Germain, C. Régis and G. Veronesi (2022 forthcoming) Medical Doctors in Health Reform: A Comparative Study of England and Canada

NEW ARTICLES OF INTEREST

S. E. Bell and L. Walkover (2021) 'The Case for Refugee Physicians: Forced Migration of International Medical Graduates in the 21st Century', *Social Science & Medicine* 277, 2021 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.113903>

M. Calnan (2021) 'COVID-19 and deprivation: Levelling upstream', Emerald Publishing. Available at: <https://www.emeraldgrouppublishing.com/opinion-and-blog/covid-19-and-deprivation-levelling-upstream>

Saks, M. (2021) 'The regulation of healthcare professions and support workers in international context', *Human Resources for Health* 19(74). Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12960-021-00618-8>

Saks, M. and van Bochove, M. (2021) 'Professionals and volunteers: Recognising the importance of diversification in the healthcare division of labour', *Professions and Professionalism*, 11(2): 1-16. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.7577/pp.3970>

CALL FOR PAPERS

Call for Papers Thematic Issue on 'The Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on the Higher Education and Healthcare Sectors Worldwide: Implications for Research, Teaching, Learning and Practice in the Healthcare Professions' – in the *Professions and Professionalism* journal

Editors: Joana Almeida (School of Applied Social Sciences, Faculty of Health and Social Sciences, University of Bedfordshire, UK – Joana.Almeida@Beds.ac.uk) & Nelson F. de Barros (Department of Collective Health, Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil – nelfel@uol.com.br)

The coronavirus pandemic has had a tremendous impact on people's lives, countries' economies, and the higher education and healthcare sectors across the world. In this thematic issue, we explore the impact of Covid-19 crisis on higher education and healthcare sectors and its implications for research, teaching, learning and practice in the healthcare professions worldwide. Firstly, we focus on the financial impact of Covid-19 on universities, through the potential loss of many healthcare students, and a decrease in research work and subsequent income. Secondly, we focus on the impact on professionalism in healthcare teaching, through the increase of staff workloads, and the abrupt shift from face-to-face to remote and digital teaching with staff having to transition to new modes of delivery without appropriate structured and extensive training or support. Thirdly, we focus on the impact on university student experience and learning, with healthcare student population having to abruptly readjust to new learning environments, timetables, resources, and modes of assessment, and potentially avoiding entering healthcare professions such as medicine, nursing, health support workers and healthcare assistants. Lastly, we focus on the impact of the pandemic on the healthcare workforce, with increasing levels of presenteeism and burnout.

We welcome abstract submissions for scholarly articles that include, but are certainly not limited to, the following topics:

- The impact of Covid-19 crisis to the analysis of professionalism, or ways of organising work and controlling healthcare workers and higher education staff involved in healthcare degrees;

- The consequences of coronavirus pandemic for the development of healthcare professions, some of them with already a precarious and fragile status;
- The consequences of coronavirus pandemic for the quality of present and future healthcare professional work, with the shift to digital learning, training and practice;
- The increasing presenteeism, staff burnout, grief, loss, fear, fatigue, anxiety and mental health problems among healthcare workforce and higher education staff involved in healthcare degrees;
- The extent to which national governments have supported the higher education and healthcare sectors to overcome these challenges.

The deadline for all abstract submissions is 1 October 2021. All submitted papers will be subject to our standard independent peer-review. We kindly ask authors to send abstract submissions (300 words, in English) to: Joana.Almeida@Beds.ac.uk and nelfel@uol.com.br

The selected papers will be published in a special issue of the journal in 2022. For journal submission details see: <https://journals.oslomet.no/index.php/pp>

Call for Papers Thematic Issue on ‘Innovations for better health and social justice’ – in the *BMC Health Services Research Journal*

Editor: Magdalena Szaflarski (Associate Professor and Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, University of Alabama at Birmingham, USA - szaflam@uab.edu)

This journal has launched a collection to curate innovative research broadly examining the environmental, political, and social factors that perpetuate health inequities and social injustices in health systems.

This collection supports the call by Health Systems Global to consider how we can re-imagine health systems for better health and social justice, and UN Sustainable Development Goals 3 & 10, good health and wellbeing, and reduced inequalities

Submissions are encouraged covering the following topics:

- Accessibility and affordability of care
- All forms of prejudice, discrimination, and marginalization
- Corruption
- Freedom of movement and borders
- Health disparities
- Health policy, politics and power
- New technologies, artificial intelligence, and big data for combatting health inequities
- Quality of health services and meeting the healthcare needs of people facing discrimination and marginalization
- Resource distribution

Research may focus on specific marginalized population groups, such as indigenous populations or ethnic minority groups.

Open to submissions until May 2022. For more information about the collection and how to submit, visit: <https://www.biomedcentral.com/collections/IBHSJ>

UNITED NATIONS' PRESENTATION

Mike Saks made the following presentation in May under the auspices of the United Nations: Saks, M. (2021) 'Health professions in a changing world: The need for responsible leadership', United Nations Institute for Training and Research/Institute for Responsible Leadership, Geneva, Switzerland, Webinar. Available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BK2QsJJ480&list=PLQR8YH-YtQS8unp7XtZbuuHnpXdEmznpjZ&index=1>

Associated with this, Mike Saks has recently become Chair of the UN-endorsed Institute for Responsible Leadership which is actively seeking to recruit new members. For further details see its website: www.responsible-leadership.org.uk.

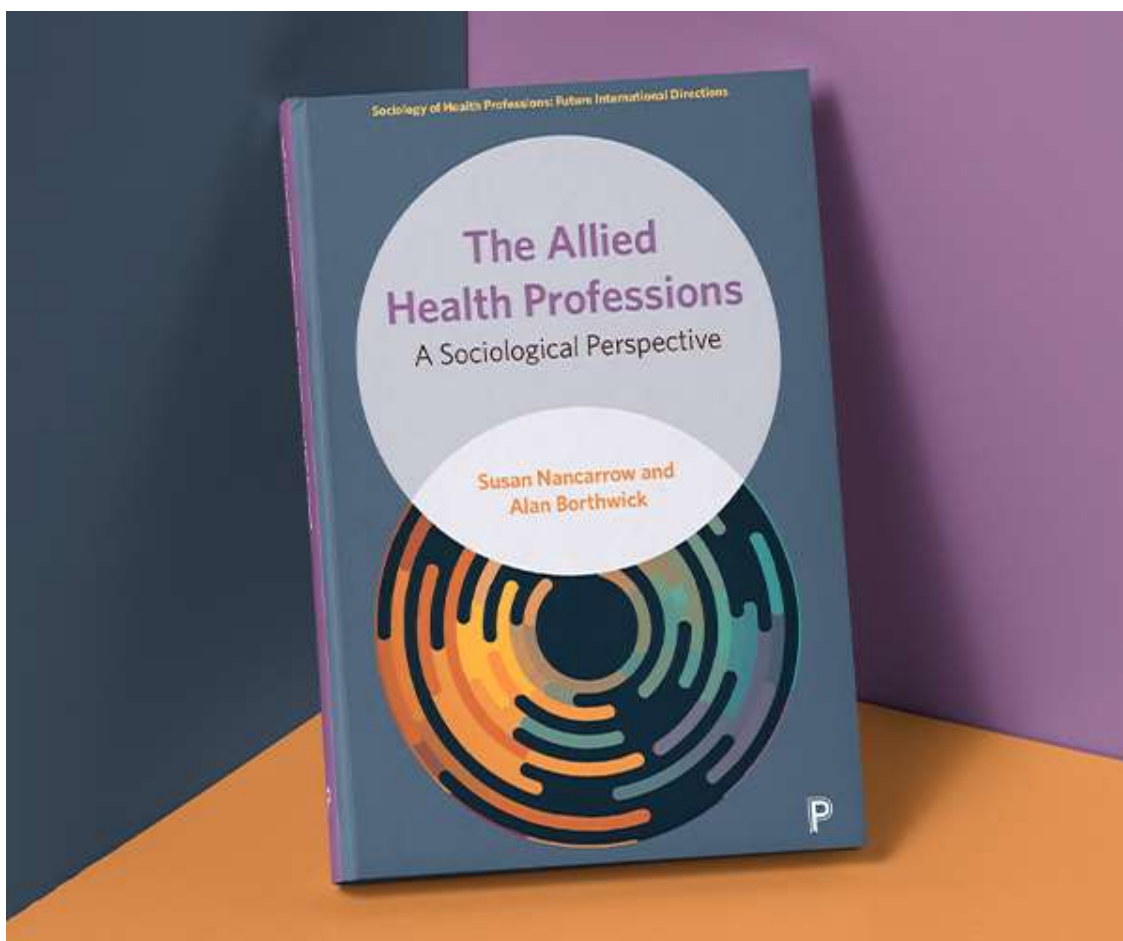
Mike Saks is also editing the following book in association with the United Nations, which is scheduled for publication next year:

Saks, M. (2022) *Responsible Leadership: Key to Achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals*, London: Routledge.

He has also become a member of the World Health Organization Technical Expert Group on the regulation of health practitioners globally. Please feel free to contact him if you have any thoughts about this project at the following email address: m.saks@uos.ac.uk

NEW BOOKS

**The Allied Health Professions: A Sociological Perspective, Policy Press
By Susan Nancarrow and Alan Borthwick**



35% discount may be available using the code DISCOUNT35 at checkout on the Policy Press website.

Overview

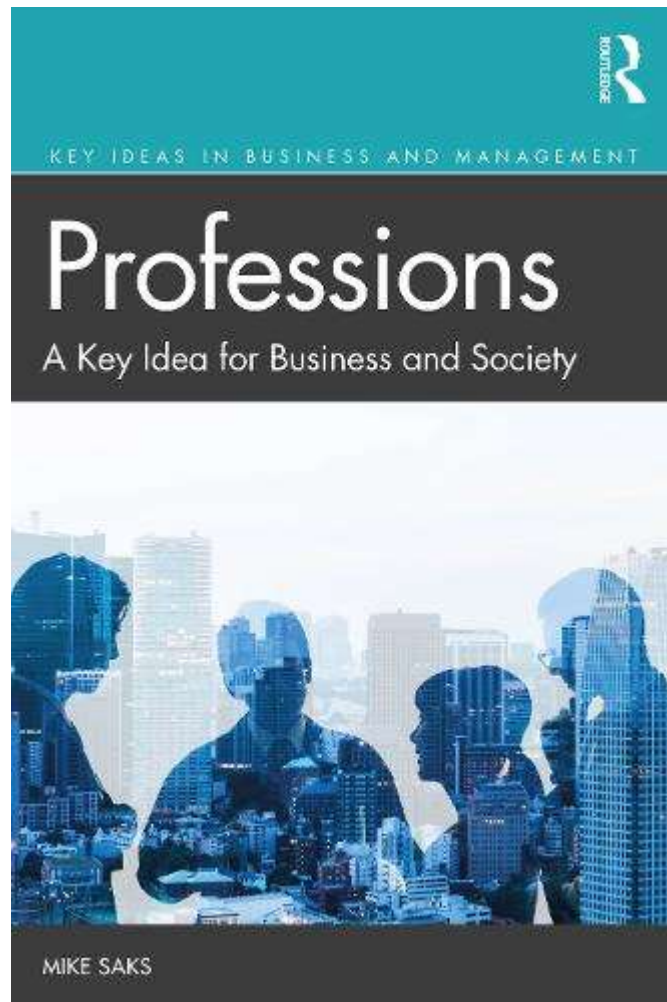
Drawing on case studies from optometrists, physiotherapists, podiatrists, and allied health assistants, this book, part of the Policy Press series on Sociology of Health Professions, offers an innovative comparison of allied health occupations in Australia and Britain. Adopting a theory of the sociology of health professions, it explores how the allied health professions can achieve their professional goals. The book was launched in hardback in March 2021 and is promoted through a lively video discussion with the authors, available at: <https://vimeo.com/525951989>

Review

“A timely book that offers a thoughtful, sociologically-informed, comparative analysis and shines a much-needed light on the professional project of Allied Health in the UK and Australia.”

- **Catherine Pope**, University of Oxford

**Professions: A Key Idea for Business and Society, Routledge
By Mike Saks**



20% Discount available - enter the code FLY21 at checkout. To note: This offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer or discount and only applies to books purchased directly via the Routledge website.

Overview

Professions and professionalism have played an integral part in business and society. In this book published in paperback and hardback in April 2021, Mike Saks provides a thorough overview of this field through an analysis of a range of professions, including, amongst others, accountants, doctors and lawyers. This book offers a critical analysis of such privileged occupational groups in modern societies. Anticipating a positive if changing role for such groups in the years ahead, the book outlines conflicting theoretical perspectives on professions and discusses current developments in an accessible, multi-disciplinary style. The book documents their evolution and contemporary transformation from medieval guilds to fully-fledged professions and international professional service firms, while pointing a path towards their future in the world of work and beyond. With insights into the recent challenges provided by clients, citizens, the state and corporations in neo-liberal societies, Professions provides a concise overview that will be essential reading for students, academics and others interested in the operation of these key occupational groups in business and society.

Reviews

“Mike Saks' *Professions* provides an accessible, well-written, up-to-date overview of professions, exploring their historical origins and current challenges, in the UK, US, and around the world. Written by an undisputed leader in the field, and drawing on Saks' extensive (indeed exhaustive) knowledge of the area, the book provides a concise but rich discussion of important issues and debates in the field, in a manner that will appeal to a broad audience, from undergraduate students and researchers, to professionals, business leaders, and policymakers. By not only providing a general description of professions, but outlining how they vary across field, nation, time period, political, economic, and social context, Saks has produced rich insights into this important social phenomenon.”

- **Tracey L. Adams**, Editor, *Canadian Review of Sociology / Revue canadienne de sociologie*

“There can be no better guide to the social science literature on professions and professionalization than Mike Saks. Himself an important contributor to this literature, Saks skilfully brings the sociology of professions up to date by focusing on the interplay of professional organization with the challenges of state regulation, neo-liberal preferences for market-based policies, and growing public scepticism about expertise. Whatever their shortcomings, Saks concludes, professionalized occupational groups continue to contribute significantly to the well-being of citizens in the Anglo-American world.”

- **Steven Brint**, University of California

SPECIAL JOURNAL ISSUE

Madhan Balasubramanian and **Stephanie Short** have edited a special issue of the *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*.

The Future Health Workforce: Integrated Solutions and Models of Care brings together research that debates and provides innovative health workforce solutions directed towards meeting population needs, mainly through integrated solutions or models of care. There are also papers that cover challenges at an education or regulatory level. This special issue features a compelling range of research that spreads across the health professions, including medicine, nursing, dentistry, and allied health. The edition embraces quantitative as well as qualitative research approaches, as well as methodological pluralism and a rapid review. A hallmark of each article is methodological rigor, and it includes research conducted with health workforce groups dealing with different conditions in a range of contexts and countries including the USA, the UK, Canada, Australia, Sweden, South Korea, Japan, China, and Brazil. The special issue features 13 papers.

ITEMS FOR NEXT ISSUE

If you have any items relevant to RC15 – from conference reports/announcements to publications – for inclusion in the next Newsletter, please send them by the end of December 2021 at the latest to Mike Saks. Email: m.saks@uos.ac.uk

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The membership dues for RC15 are 60 USD (20 USD reduction) for four-years of membership. The ISA membership registration form is available at:
<https://isa.enoah.com/Sign-In>

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