

Disrupting the Dominant Representations of Studentification as a Negative Process of Contemporary Urban Change

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ABSTRACT

This presentation will focus on the effects of studentification within a range of diverse enclaves within Brighton. The discussion will emphasise the micro-level differentials of studentification.

Drawing upon qualitative research with local community groups and residents associations some preliminary findings will be presented.

This will disrupt conventional representations of studentification and point to relatively harmonious relations between students and established resident groupings. It will suggest that a more nuanced interpretation of studentification is required.

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