

Course details

Course title

History: The work and life of Karl Polanyi

Course code

Q00014878

Course date

Start: 10/07/24

End: 24/07/24

Number of classes

3 sessions

Timetable

Wed 10th Jul, 13:00 to 15:00

Wed 17th Jul, 13:00 to 15:00

Wed 24th Jul, 13:00 to 15:00

Tutor

Ben Trubody

Fee range

Free to £16.80

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

Venue

St Mark's Methodist Church (Cheltenham)
Gloucester Road
Cheltenham
GL51 8PX

Qualification name & awarding organisation

History: The work and life of Karl Polanyi ()

Level of study

Intermediate

Course overview

The WEA are offering a Philosophy course at a local church in Cheltenham. This short 2-part taster course will explore the work and life of Austro-Hungarian economist and anthropologist Karl Polanyi and his highly influential book *The Great Transformation* (1944). You will be in a group with other like-minded people and guided by our fantastic Philosophy tutor. There will be opportunities for questions and lively discussion with your peers. Hot drinks will be available and a member from the WEA will be there to discuss any other courses you may be interested in.

Course description

Are you interested in Philosophy? Do you enjoy learning and having interesting discussions? Then join The WEA's latest course to learn about the work and life of Austro-Hungarian economist and anthropologist Karl Polanyi and his highly influential book *The Great Transformation* (1944). Polanyi's work comes from three streams – his direct opposition to the market liberalism of the Austrian School of Economics, the idea that the potential for fascism is actually built into free market capitalism, and his Christian socialist ethics. During the course we will look at some of his ideas such as market embeddedness, the double-movement, substantivism and fictional commodities. Polanyi's work is a timely critique of the excesses of modern market freedom, deregulation and privatization, which he begins in humanity's ancient past.

You will be in a group with other like-minded people in a relaxed setting and guided by our fantastic Philosophy tutor. There will be opportunities for questions and lively discussion with your peers. Hot drinks will be available and a member from the WEA will be there to discuss any other courses you may be interested in.

What financial support is available?

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

What other support is available?

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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