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Biography

As a social scientist, I investigate social harm across numerous domains including drug policy and public health, media, popular culture, and relevant methodological considerations. I employ ultra-realist, psychotherapeutic, psychoanalytic, and new materialist perspectives to uncover the complex socio-material relations that generate and alleviate harm and explore how these structures impact people's psyche and subjectivities within a given socio-cultural context. By developing fresh insights and alternative perspective I seek to drive effective interventions and policy. I aim to bridge theory and practice, making social science relevant to real-world challenges and contributing to a more equitable future sufficient for human flourishing.

Qualifications

Master of Policy and Applied Social Research, Macquarie University

Doctor of Philosophy, University of New South Wales

Bachelor of Arts, University of New South Wales

Employment

Lecturer in Criminology

School of Social Sciences

Western Sydney University

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Research outputs

What Do Needle and Syringe Programs Do?: an Assemblic Account of Staff-Client Relationships at Needle Syringe Programs

Yates, K., 20 Nov 2023, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan. 170 p.

"Overdose has many faces" : the politics of care in responding to overdose at Sydney's Medically Supervised Injecting Centre

Dertadian, G. C. & Yates, K., 2023, In: Contemporary Drug Problems. 50, 1, p. 136-151 16 p.

Experiences of overweight and obese patients with diabetes and practice nurses during implementation of a brief weight management intervention in general practice settings serving Culturally and Linguistically Diverse disadvantaged populations

Govindasamy, S., Beek, K., Yates, K., Jayasuriya, R., Reynolds, R., De Wit, J. B. F. & Harris, M., 2022, In: Australian Journal of Primary Health. 29, 4, p. 358-364 7 p.

Using qualitative interview methods to understand health service provision for people who inject drugs

Yates, K. R., 2020, *SAGE Research Methods Cases: Medicine and Health*. U.S.: Sage Publications, p. 1-23 23 p.

Wellbeing Machine: How Health Emerges from the Assemblages of Everyday Life

Yates, K., 2018, In: Health Sociology Review. 27, 3, p. 330-331 2 p.

Attitudes towards emerging technologies

Grant, D. & Yates, K., 2017, *Technology and the Trajectory of Myth*. Grant, D. & Bennett Moses, L. (eds.). U.K.: Edward Elgar Publishing, p. 125-150 26 p.

Scoping Report: Proposed Drug Consumption Rooms in Southwestern Sydney

Tomsen, S. A. & Yates, K., 2017, U.S.: SSRN. 16 p.

Trust and people who inject drugs : the perspectives of clients and staff of Needle Syringe Programs

Treloar, C., Rance, J., Yates, K. & Mao, L., 2016, In: International Journal of Drug Policy. 27, p. 138-145 8 p.

Western Sydney Needle and Syringe Program Study: A Report to Community

Treloar, C., Mao, L., Yates, K., Hull, P. & Wilson, H., 2016, Sydney, NS.W.: University of New South Wales. Centre for Social Research in Health. 14 p.

"Doing the devil's work" : emotional labour and stigma in expanding Needle and Syringe Programs

Treloar, C., Hopwood, M., Yates, K. & Mao, L., 2015, In: Drugs: Education, Prevention and Policy. 22, 5, p. 437-443 7 p.

Professional accounts of effective interagency collaboration in child and family services

Yates, K., Erofeyeff, M. & Gray, R., 2015, In: Communities, Children and Families Australia. 9, 1, p. 35-48 14 p.

Needles, syringes and stigma in Western Sydney

Yates, K., 2014, In: Human Rights Defender. 23, 2, p. 23-25 3 p.

What's the cost of finding the right fit? : the cost of conducting NSP business in a range of modalities

Treloar, C., McLeod, R., Yates, K. & Mao, L., 2014, In: Contemporary Drug Problems. 41, 1, p. 41-56 16 p.

Activities

Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA) (Event)

Yates, K. (Other)

1 Jan 2021 → ...

National Tertiary Education Union (NTEU) (Event)

Yates, K. (Other)

1 Jan 2014 → ...

Press/Media

Medically Supervised Drug Rooms

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4/08/18

1 item of Media coverage