



# The conflicted tale of two cultures: Labour's Higher Education policy 1945-2000

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Higher education policy, now so prominent a political issue for Labour as for all political parties in the UK, has not always been important to the Labour Party. Nevertheless, two persisting and sharply contrasting ideological traditions can be seen: a Tawney democratic tradition; and a vocational, radical neo-utilitarian tradition. This seminar will explore the place of HE policy in the Labour Party in the 1945-2000 period, and compare and contrast the two perspectives and their articulation in political practice.

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