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# Managing Transitions from College to Work: The 'Employability' and Career Readiness Challenge

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 • 12-1:30pm • Ed Sciences 259, 1025 West Johnson Street

Dr. Michael Tomlinson will provide a critical overview of the problem and construct of graduates' employability, charting its evolution and the ways in which it has been conceptually and politically applied in understanding macro-level changes between higher education (HE) systems and the labor market.

The talk will draw on evidence from the perspectives of students and graduates making the transitions from HE to formal employment, examining the challenges for their career readiness and employment prospects. It will explore salient issues relating to the resources, career values, and identities which graduates develop through and beyond HE.

**Michael Tomlinson** is an Associate Professor at the **Southampton Education School** at the **University of Southampton, UK** where he has been based since 2011. His research interests are in higher education policy, the sociology of higher education and the HE-work relationship and has published widely in these fields. His previous books are *Education, Work and Identity* (2013, Bloomsbury Publishers) and *Graduate Employability in Context* (2017, Palgrave Publishers).



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