

RHODA CASTLE

**Senior Lecturer in Social Work and Applied Social Studies,
Staffordshire University**

DEGREES / PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Associate of the Royal College of Music, 1969

B.Mus (Hons), Nottingham, 1972

MA / Certificate of Qualification in Social Work (CQSW), Nottingham, 1975

MSc Research Methodology, Open University, 1990

Practice Teaching Assessors' Training, Birmingham 1991

MA Social Gerontology, Keele, 1998

Member of the Institute of Learning and Teaching (ILT), 2002

PREVIOUS POSTS

Welfare Assistant, Dundee Corporation, 1973-1974

Social Worker, Manchester City Council, 1974-1975

Social Worker, Nottinghamshire County Council, 1977-1980

CSS Study Supervisor, Walsall MBC, 1988-1992

Senior Lecturer in Applied Social Studies, University of Wolverhampton, 1992-1997

CURRENT TEACHING AREAS

Disability – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies, Level 3

Disability – Diploma in Social Work, Level 2

Disability – HND in Social Care, Level 2

Evolution of the Welfare State – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies, Level 1

Introduction to Social Policy - – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies, Level 1

Research Methods – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies, Levels 3 & 3

Research Support – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies, Levels 2 & 3

CURRENT ADMIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Level 2 Tutor – BA (Hons) Applied Social Studies

Law School Representative on University Disability Forum

ACADEMIC / RESEARCH INTERESTS

Disability

Research Methodology

Social Policy

Older People

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

Disability, Work and Welfare, Staffordshire University, January 2002

Research and Social Work, Edinburgh University, 2000

PUBLICATIONS

Castle, R, (2000) Research and social work, **Social Work Education** 19(5), pp.521-6.

UNPUBLISHED RESEARCH

Informal Carers of Older People: the process of accepting residential care, M.Sc Dissertation, 1990.

Elder Abuse, Rights and Citizenship, MA Dissertation, 1998

WORK IN PROGRESS

Elder Abuse. Rights and Citizenship: a gendered analysis, article to be submitted for publication.

Training Pack (jointly with B. Moss) – *Disability Awareness*, Learning Curve Publications.

PhD (part-time at Staffordshire University) – *Disabled Social Workers, Contribution and Difficulties*.