

Professing Global Public Health: back to the future of the university



The French philosopher, Jacques Derrida, has been a constant companion through my career. In this talk I will reflect on some of the highlights of my academic life through the lens of Derrida's call for an unconditional freedom to question 'all that is required by research, knowledge, and thought' (2005, p.11) – however difficult that might be in these troubling times. While Derrida was interested in the humanities, I hope to show by meandering through some of my research from the last 25 years the importance of an intense interrogation of both public health and what we call globalisation ('mondialisation'). But I also want to talk think about what it means to be a Professor at a time when professing (faith in the university) is so much out of political fashion.

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