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Activist and university professor with a teaching and research focus on social movements, social activism, and social change.

Biography

Roberta is an Associate Professor in the Department of General Education at Mount Royal University. Her teaching and research focus is social movements, social activism, and social change. She is trained as a historian and has studied student movements, feminism and women's movements, Indigenous movements, economic movements, environmental movements, and the counterculture. She is working on a research project on the intersection between social movements and political parties, especially the New Democratic Party (NDP). She is also writing a book titled *Resisting the Ivory Tower: Activism in Canadian Universities* that examines the ways that universities contribute to social change. Her main interest is in how and why individuals band together to try to effect social change. Roberta also organizes and leads international field schools to Honduras and has developed a Community Service Learning course that seeks to connect universities with community organizations. She has undertaken research projects related to these initiatives and to the concept of Global Citizenship. Roberta has a B.A. (History and Political Science) and M.A. (History) from the University of Regina and a PhD (History) from the University of Alberta.

Areas of Expertise

Social Movements, Student Movements, Feminism, Women's Movements, Indigenous Movements, Environmental Movements, Economic Movements, Counterculture, Women and Politics, Protest, Protest Movements, Social Activism, Politics and Social Movements, International Education, Community Service Learning, Universities, Social Democracy, New Democratic Party, History, Canada

Education

University of Alberta

PhD History

University of Regina

MA History

University of Regina

BA History and Political Science

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