Preface

This collection of critical reflections by students on the BA (Hons) Sociology degree at Leeds Beckett University, is an excellent record of the achievement of those studying on this course. Each of the reflections demonstrates the ability of the author not only to use the tools of the social sciences to analyse and interpret the world around them, but to communicate this through clear and concise writing for a wider audience. The products are critical, vibrant and incisive commentaries on the contemporary social world that shed light on the everyday and allow us see the familiar through a different lens.

The collection is also a testament to the work of the sociology course team and the support that they provide to enable students to develop their intellectual skills and abilities. The team have a strong commitment to developing students as producers of knowledge and the fruits on this approach are evidence in the work presented here.

I hope that readers of these reflections enjoy the perspectives offered, and are themselves further challenged, encouraged or inspired to reflect on the world around them.

Congratulations to all the contributors on a great collection of work.

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