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As a dynamic, ethical, not for profit university press, our bold vision builds on Policy Press's longstanding, critically acclaimed reputation as a leading publisher on social issues, guided by a commitment to social justice and respect for diversity.

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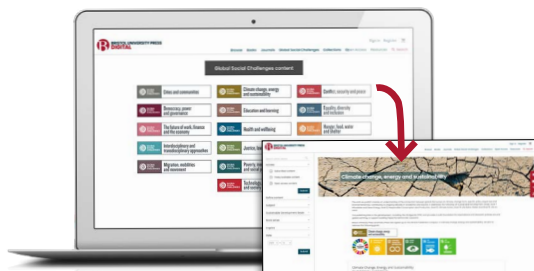
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Leading the way for interdisciplinary research beyond academic silos, Bristol University Press Digital is an essential resource for academics, researchers, policy makers and practitioners looking to make real world impact.

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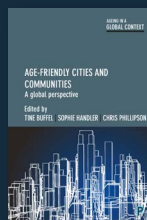
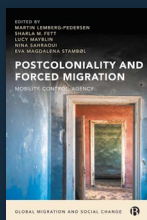
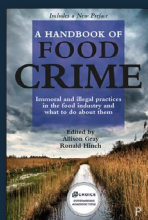
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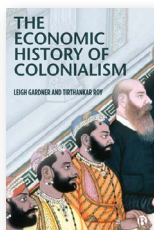
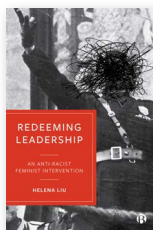


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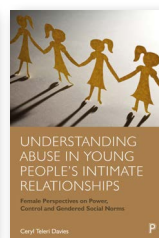
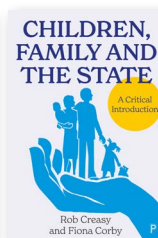
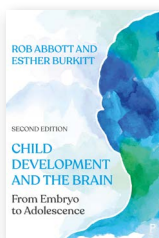
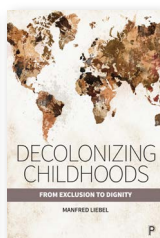
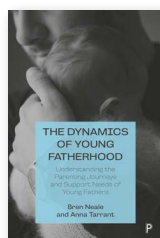


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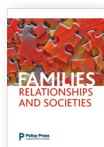
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This long-established interdisciplinary list features work that supports students in their successful study, challenges current policy and practice via the latest research and offers straightforward practical guidance to those working with children and young people. Bringing together work across Childhood Studies, Sociology, Social Policy and Youth Crime, the list includes bestselling textbooks and critical monographs in addition to leading series such as:

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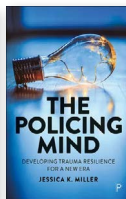
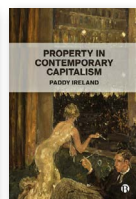
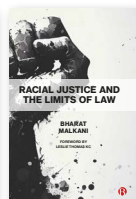


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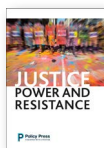
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Combining related disciplines under an umbrella collection, the list has established itself as a highly respected and internationally recognized list with a focus on social justice and social change at a local and international level. Leading experts, from Simon Harding (*County Lines*) to Folúké Adébisi (*Decolonisation and Legal Knowledge*), contribute to key debates in the field with research, theory and policy-orientated work. The series in the list include:

- Bristol Studies in Law and Justice
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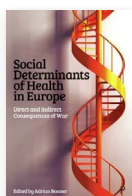
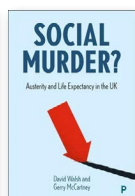
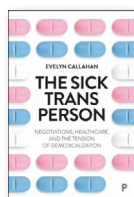


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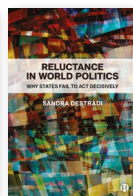
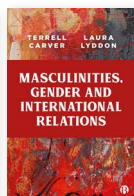


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Our Politics and International Relations collection enables researchers to communicate with each other, with new generations of students and with a wider audience of thoughtful readers. It includes work from across the subdisciplines and reflects the variety of approaches and methods used in political analysis. The list is home to cutting-edge series including:

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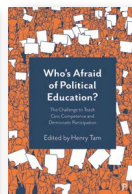
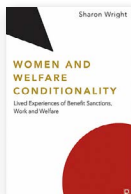
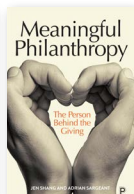


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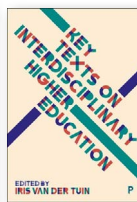
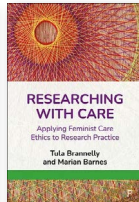
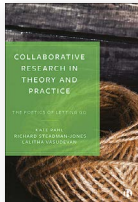
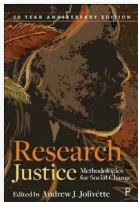
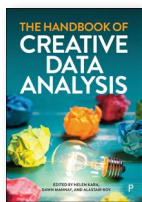
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This essential collection is a cornerstone for any library supporting social science research and teaching.

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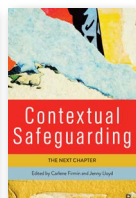
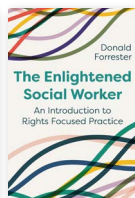
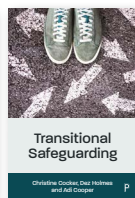


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This collection integrates cutting-edge research with insightful commentary, alongside textbooks and practical guides, all designed to translate research into real-world applications, driving positive societal change. The series in the list are:

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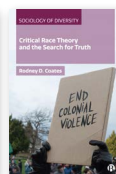
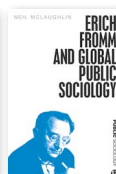
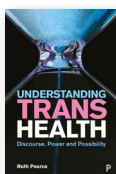
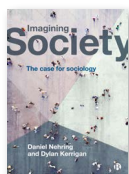


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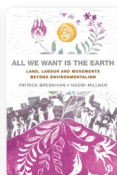
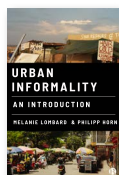


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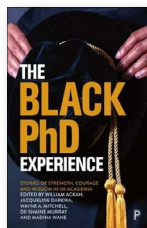
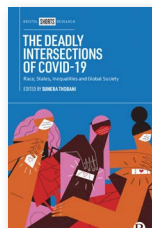
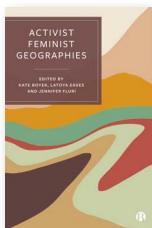
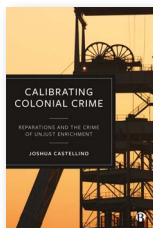


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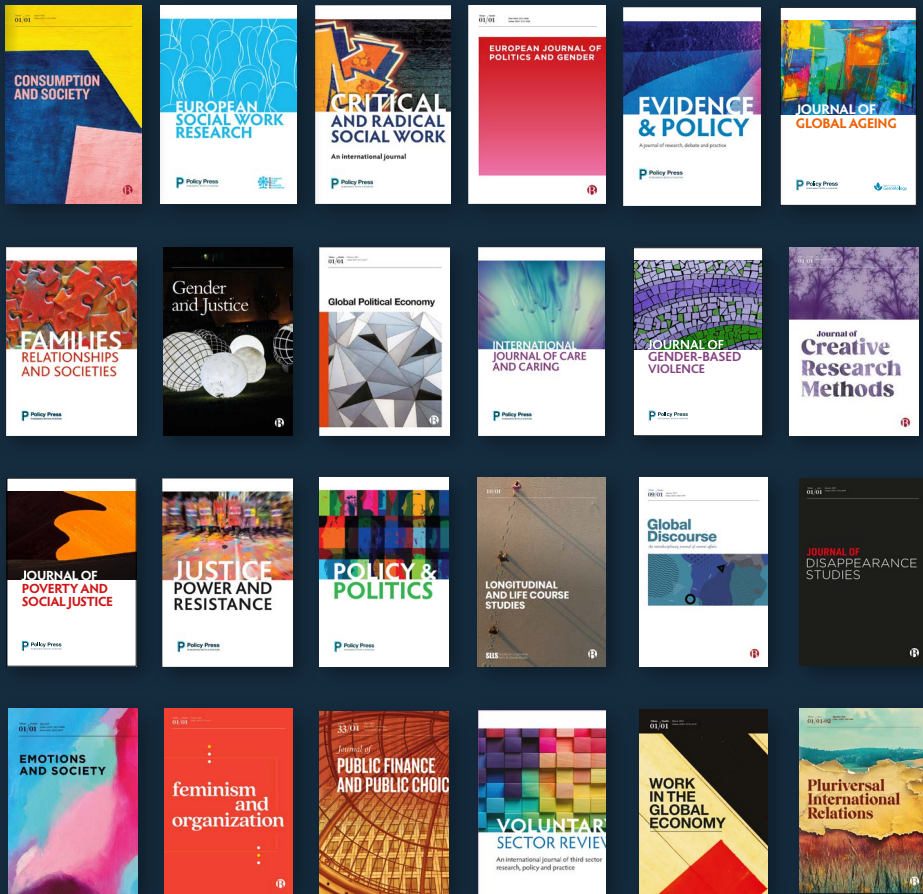


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“Our Read and Publish initiative reflects our ethos and mission as a not for profit university press; putting integrity before profit to disseminate work which tackles the global social challenges we currently face.”

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