

Volunteering, the market, and neoliberalism

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Hi Jon

I've just had chance to go through your paper and I'm happy with the changes made. In particular the introduction now very clearly sets out the 'case' for the paper, which makes the purpose of the paper as a whole much clearer. So, no further changes! I'll now pass it on for formatting and proofreading (although I doubt there'll be much to pick up there) before sending back to you for a final check through – probably towards the end of next week.

Thanks also for the helpful way in which you've set out changes both with the summary and in the text – you'd be surprised how many people don't do this!

Cheers

Will

From: Dean, Jonathan
Sent: 16 June 2015 17:58
To: Eadson, William
Subject: RE: Volunteering the market and neoliberalism FINAL.docx

Hi Will

Again, thanks for your detailed comments on the paper. I've been through the paper and responded to your points, leaving in my track changes so you can see exactly what I've done. I have:

- Addressed in the introduction the contribution of the paper, stressing that it is the first article to draw out the relationship between a range of theorists who have critiqued neoliberalism and recent research findings which have examined trends within volunteering. p.3 has been significantly reordered and rewritten in order to show how the paper is an original (and the first) reaction to Rochester's recent pointed comments towards voluntary sector research
- Shortened the Eikenberry section as not to distract from volunteering by talking too much about the sector more generally
- This has also been done at the end of the introduction, tightening the section to make clear that this is about offering a range of ideas together which we can use to analyse volunteering
- Added a section at the start of the theory section (p.7) to better signpost the link between the evidence and the theory. This was done by using Rochester's recent argument that volunteering literature has shied away from this recently. I have also signposted a link between the two subsections in this section (p.11) to show how it is when we combine the existing findings and the theoretical arguments, we can reach worrying potential conclusions for the role, nature, and extent of volunteering in the future.
- To make this flow better, on p.10 I have removed some of Davies critique (which seemed a bit off track) so hopefully the piece now runs from an overview discussion of neoliberalism into the importance of community and social life, into why these are bad for volunteering (this includes deleting the statement about competitors/individuals in the discussion of Davies)
- I have included a paragraph in the conclusion (p.15) to reassert the original contribution of the article, providing an overview of what it has done

- Added a de Tocqueville reference
- Added a Tonnies reference and a short explanation of his two terms
- Regarding the Simmel point, blasé is the word he uses – we are blasé and dismissive towards other people (and their problems)
- Accepted your changes to phrasing / word choice / sentence structure
- Made sure the paper is referenced to as a ‘paper’ throughout, not half article, half paper
- Added to the acknowledgements

Hope this all works. Don't hesitate to let me know if you require any more information. Really looking forward to the issue being published

All the best

Jon