### **Journal of Co-operative Studies**



# 2024 Special Issue: Co-operative Education Call for papers

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This online workshop and special number of *Journal of Co-operative Studies* considers co-operative education in its broadest sense – learning *about* co-operation, *for* co-operation, *by* co-operation, and *through* co-operation. The UK **Co-operative Researchers Network** (CoRNet) is working with the editors on this project.

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Please see below for the full call for papers and the *Journal*'s guidelines for submission for information on *Journal* style and formatting.

Accepted papers will be published in a special issue of the *Journal* in 2024.

#### **Key dates**

12 June 2023 Deadline for short abstracts (300 words) and other proposals.

12 Sept 2023 Online workshop

31 Oct 2023 Deadline for submission to special issue

#### **Co-operative Education — Call for papers**

Late-stage capitalism appears to have reached a point of permanent crisis: environmental catastrophe, nuclear war, and technological dystopias loom, against a backdrop of accelerated inequality, right-wing populism, global disparities and tensions and rampant racism. If capitalism is not replaced, it seems only to continue along apocalyptic scenarios;

if it is to be replaced, the question is with what? An established alternative to capitalism exists: co-operation.

In the fifth principle, education sat at the heart of the formal co-operative movement in the United Kingdom and wherever the Rochdale principles were transplanted. However, our approach here is to be as global in perspective as possible, to encompass co-operation in all its forms, iterations and understandings, including those outside the movement. Papers from the Global South and which decentre the Rochdale narrative are particularly welcome.

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We are interested in co-operative education wherever it takes place: within co-operatives, Co-operative Schools, Co-operative Higher Education, co-operative workplaces, and without specifically co-operative contexts. Papers on how co-operatives are taught within non-co-operative contexts such as business schools will be of interest and also other spatial contexts such as the platform economy.

## Potential topics for contributions to a special issue of the Journal of Co-operative Studies might include (but are not limited to):

- theorising co-operative education and other conceptual interventions;
- co-operative pedagogies theorised or applied in any context;
- the contribution of co-operatives to poverty alleviation, economic advancement and social transformation in the Global South;
- contrasting frameworks and institutional arrangements for facilitating, promoting and supporting co-operative education and development including the role of government (agencies);
- training within the co-operative movement;
- how co-operative education can respond to questions of cognitive justice;
- education for degrowth contra capitalist imperative of growth;
- any aspect of co-operative schools, colleges and universities;
- the place of co-operatives within mainstream education;
- how co-operative education can respond to the crises of late-stage capitalism;
- the role of co-operative education in economic and social transformations;
- the role of co-operative education in establishing the base upon which to estimate the success of co-operatives;
- how can co-operative education nurture youth empowerment and inspire a new generation to join the co-operative movement.

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