

**CONFERENCE IN MEMORY OF PROFESSOR LES FISHMAN
(Professor of Economics at Keele University 1969-1987)**

Wednesday 15 October 2008, Minton Room, Management Centre, Keele University.

9.45 registration and coffee.

10.15 Welcome.

Professor Peter Lawrence, Head of School of Economic and Management Studies.

10.30 Topical Economics: war in Iraq and Crisis in the Mortgage Markets.

Norman Flynn (SOAS, London) The Economic impact of the Iraq war.

Professor David Leece (Manchester Metropolitan University) Mortgage market securitisation and the credit crises.

Chair: Dr. Shirley Dex. (Institute of Education, London)

12.30 - 1.15 LUNCH

1.15 Issues in Economic Thought: Commons and Marx.

Professor Charles Whalen, (Utica College, New York)

Theories of the American Labor Movement: Some Contemporary Applications.

Dr. Keith Tribe (formerly Reader in Economics, Keele University)

Marxism as a Critique of 'Bourgeois Economics' – A Brief History.

Chair: Professor Peter Lawrence (Keele University)

3.15 tea.

3.30 Money and Finance

Dr. Jan Toporowski (SOAS, London) Economic Surplus, Money and the Real Economy.

David Fishman, Asset Pricing and Theories of Value.

Chair: Professor Iraj Hashi (Staffordshire University)

5.30 conference finish

5.45-6.45. Reception to inaugurate Leslie and Eleanor Fishman Bursary.