KEITH HANCOCK PUBLIC LECTURE

The Poor Relation: A history of Social Sciences in Australia

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What are the social sciences? What do they do? How are they practised in Australia? This lecture considers the place of the social sciences - from economics and psychology to history in the teaching and research conducted by Australian universities.

The lecture will discuss the changing circumstances of the social sciences over the past sixty years, and measures their contribution to public policy. In doing so it also relates the arrangements made to support them and explains why they are so persistently treated as the poor relation of science and technology.

*The Keith Hancock Lecture honours Professor Keith Hancock, an eminent labour economist and valuable contributor to social science scholarship in Australia.*

Stuart Macintyre is the Ernest Scott Professor of History and a Laureate Professor of the University of Melbourne. His work spans Australian and British history, and he has a particular interest in historiography and intellectual history.

He currently holds an ARC professorial fellowship for his project on post-war reconstruction. He was president of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia from 2006 to 2009, and is a member of the Advisory Council of the Australian Research Council.

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