

Engendering Hope: Youth and the Gendering of Development Discourse

Professor Vera Mackie Visiting Fellow University of Wollongong On 12 July 2013 then sixteen year-old Malala Yousafzai addressed the United Nations General Assembly on Youth Takeover Day. She called on 'the developed nations to support the expansion of educational opportunities for girls in the developing world'.

On 23 September 2019 then sixteen year-old Greta
Thunberg addressed the
United Nations Climate
Summit, embodying the hopes and fears of a global
movement of climate strikes by young people.

The prominence of Malala Yousafzai and Greta Thunberg arguably reflects a shift from seeing young people as the objects of protection to seeing them as actors in their own right. In this project I will trace the way that the institutions of global governance have dealt with young people.

I am interested in the intersection of the axes of youth and gender, and how these intersect with other dimensions of difference.

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