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Her Qualifications are B Ed, BA, M Phil, PhD, Professional Certificate in Management Membership of professional/learned bodies, Fellow of Royal Society of Arts (FRSA), Member of the Association for Learning Technologies (ALT), Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (HEA), Member of the Fawcett Society, have worked for many years in the Institute of Educational Technology in the Open University UK, where She is a Senior Lecturer. She researched the technologies of distance learning and have a special research interests in gender and distance education and gender and technosciences in their wider meaning. These interests come together in research and expertise in gender and distance learning technologies. Most of her researches have been on gender and distance education in Europe but her interests have now expanded to the new work being doing in this distance learning in the less developed regions of the world.

She has published extensively in peer reviewed journals and books, and am heavily involved in the production of three peer reviewed journals. From May 2012 I am the Editor of Open Learning: the Journal of Open Distance and e-learning: <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/carfax/02680513.html> She is also an associate editor for two other journals: International Journal of Gender Science and Technology (GST) <http://genderandset.open.ac.uk/index.php/genderandset> and the Journal of Interactive Media in Education (JIME) <http://www-jime.open.ac.uk> She is very interested in new forms of digital scholarship such as blogging and open access publishing and women's engagement in these as well as understanding the new economic models needed to make such activities sustainable long term.

She has published over 70 books, chapters and peer reviewed papers. My more recent publications can be accessed <http://oro.open.ac.uk/view/person/gek2.html>

Outside work her interests are wide ranging; from physical activities like dancing and running, to gentle contemplative activities like knitting, and reading science fiction, and also include the messy ones-ike making cakes with my grand-daughter.

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