

Alumnae Continuing Education, Fall 2020  
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WHO WON THE WAR ON POVERTY?

- I. The AWar≡ in Textbooks and Politics versus the Messiness of History.
- II. Poverty, 1945-63: Not Quite Invisible.
  - A. The Memory and Legacy of Depression, New Deal, and War.
  - B. AUrban Renewal≡ and Civil Rights: Race, Class, and Geography.
  - C. Coal and Appalachia.
  - D. The Puzzle of Delinquency.
- III. Anti-Poverty Initiatives Before the War on Poverty.
  - A. How to Fight Poverty: Social Science and Public Policy in the Early 1960s.
  - B. Targets and Strategies: Three Fuzzy, Overlapping, and Contentious Schools of Thought:
    - Economic Opportunity (Heller - Area Redevelopment Act, 1961)
    - Community Empowerment (Ohlin, Cloward - Mobilization for Youth, 1961)
    - The Culture of Poverty (Lewis, Moynihan)
  - C. The Ford Foundation Gray Areas Experiments, 1960-64.
  - D. The Port Huron Statement, 1962.
  - E. Michael Harrington=s Exquisite Timing.
- IV. War - So Called.
  - A. Johnson=s Rhetoric and Shriver=s Heavy Lifting: The Office of Economic Opportunity, 1964.
  - B. AMaximum Feasible Participation≡ and Community Action.
  - C. The War on Poverty in the Great Society.
  - D. The Very Short War and the Very Long War.
- V. Huge Legacy: The War on Poverty and the Way We Live Now.