

## KATHLEEN WELLS, Ph.D.

Brief Faculty Biographical Sketch

**Kathleen Wells** is a Professor of Social Work and of Psychology at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU). During the 2007-2008 academic year, she will be on sabbatical at the Chapin Hall Center for Children and the School of Social Service Administration at the University of Chicago and the Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Denver. She received a doctorate in Social Psychology from The University of Colorado at Boulder and completed post-doctoral work at Duke University Medical School. She joined the CWRU faculty in 1991. She teaches master's- and doctoral-level courses in human development and research. She has published widely in the areas of child mental health, child welfare (for which she won the 2005 Pro Humanitate Literary Prize), and welfare reform. While on sabbatical, she will be pursuing theoretical and methodological work pertaining to the analysis of narratives of mothers who have lost custody of their children.

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