

Brief CV: Paul Johnson

Paul Johnson became Vice-Chancellor of La Trobe University in April 2007, before which he was Deputy Director of the London School of Economics. He holds an undergraduate degree in modern history and economics from the University of Oxford, and a DPhil in economic history, also from Oxford. He was a research fellow at Nuffield College Oxford prior to moving to the London School of Economics where he was successively lecturer, reader, professor and head of the department of economic history before becoming Deputy Director in 2004. In 1990-91 he held a senior research fellowship in the Research School of Social Sciences at ANU, and in 1996 he was the Downing Fellow in Social Economics at the University of Melbourne. He is a fellow of the (UK) Academy of Social Sciences and of the Royal Historical Society.

His two principal areas of research are the development of the British economy since 1800 and the economics of ageing and pensions. He is the editor (with Roderick Floud) of the Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain (3 vols, CUP, 2004).