Abstract

The purpose of this study is to examine Mexican academic production linked to social policies, synthesize the proposals it has generated vis-à-vis poverty and analyze their linkages to recent social policy reforms. It reveals that Mexican academics have made diverse efforts to influence policies to combat poverty: from publishing in specialized journals and books, to participating in discussion forums with public servants, evaluation schemes and policy proposals. In addition, it finds coincidences between some interactive theoretical models in relation to factors that explain the why and how of academics’ influence in defining the course of policies to combat poverty.

Keywords

Academic research, recommendations, social policy, poverty, Mexico.