



REFUGEE AND MIGRATION POLICY: HOW TO PARTNER WITH AND INFLUENCE POLICYMAKERS

Within the contemporary research landscape there is increased emphasis on research demonstrating industry relevance or societal application. Moving beyond personal interests or human curiosity - research is increasingly expected to help address real world problems or contribute to work being done by industries that might sit outside of traditional academia.

Research degree students are encouraged to partner with end-users of their research to help address globally significant issues and demonstrate future career relevance. Many early-career researchers are also seeing their future employment not in academia, but within industry; either through think-tanks, not-for-profit agencies, or government. In working towards this relationship in a meaningful way, how do we navigate the role of migration, ethnicity, and multiculturalism research with industry? How can we support the role of research to advocate for societal change appropriately? Within this session we will hear from researchers, industry partners, and postgraduate students who have worked within this space, navigated these relationships, and applied their research meaningfully in order to help address many global and societal issues today. This session is focused on helping provide practical tips and advice for PhD/HDR candidates and early career researchers on how they can meaningfully engage with industry at various stages of their research journey.

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SPEAKERS

Goshu Tefera is a PhD candidate at Monash University. His recently submitted thesis explored the displacement, transit and settlement experiences of Ethiopian refugees in Australia. Currently he is working as a Strategic Partnerships Coordinator for a Victoria Government-funded program that aims to support settlement and inclusion of multicultural communities, hosted by LaTrobe Community Health Services.

Annabel Brown is a Program Director at the Centre for Policy Development. She has had oversight of programming and policy development related to: forced migration and settlement; employment and economic participation; and service system reform and place-based approaches. She is an experienced advisor and facilitator with over 20 years of experience supporting effective social and economic development in Australia and the Asia-Pacific.

Dr David Radford is Senior Lecturer (Sociology) and Research Degree Coordinator, UniSA Justice and Society. David investigates migration, diversity and interculturality in regional and urban Australia. His research emphasises the importance of the micro, everyday lived experiences of migration and interculturality while drawing on macro factors impacting these experiences.



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