

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Title

Intersections of Migration, Ageing, and Diversity in Transnational Social Spaces

Project Summary: aims, significance, expected outcomes and potential research impact.

The ECU SAGE Lab welcomes HDR candidates with an interest in migration and mobility studies, transnational families, including families of choice, ageing, and diversity.

Aims: The project aims to understand how individuals and families navigate complex social environments and how diversity shapes migrants’ social connections over the life course and across the borders.

Significance: Increasing mobility, including voluntary and forced migration, unequal distribution of human rights, and rapid ageing of societies across the world, create new opportunities and challenges for people, networks, and institutions. This project contributes to advancing theoretical frameworks in migration and diversity, ageing, and human rights studies and provides evidence for policies and interventions supporting diverse populations.

Expected Outcomes: The project is expected to generate new knowledge contributing to academic literature through publications in peer-reviewed journals, conference presentations, and public engagement activities.

Potential Research Impact: The research findings will inform policy development and service provision in areas related to migration, diversity, ageing, and human rights and will support advocacy for more inclusive and culturally sensitive policies and services.

Preferred applicant skill set, describe the capabilities of the HDR applicant.

Essential prerequisites include an Honours or Masters Degree in a Social Science or Health Science discipline and strong writing and communication skills.

The candidate should demonstrate a capacity for critical thinking and the ability to navigate complex theoretical and methodological perspectives, including innovative approaches in researching people ‘on the move’. Proficiency in qualitative research methodologies is highly desirable. Familiarity with mixed methods approaches and social network analysis would be advantageous, although not mandatory.

Due to the sensitive nature of the project, which explores experiences of vulnerable populations within transnational social spaces, ethical conduct is principal.

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