

Local Engagement Refugee Research Network (LERRN) Cross-Cultural Fieldwork Training Course

Week 1: Introduction and Principles of Partnered Research

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand the implications of undertaking partnered research relating to vulnerable populations.
2. Understand the concept of reflexivity and be able to apply it throughout the course and to their own research.

Lectures by:

Dr. James Milner, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lerrn/people/james-milner/>

Dr. Maha Shuayb, Centre for Lebanese Studies, Lebanese American University,
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Week 2: Introduction of Cross-Cultural Research

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. *To critically* engage the concepts of "culture," "diversity and difference," "cross-cultural research.
2. Reflect on the meaning and discussion on human rights, social justice, and advocacy from the prospective of a Global North and South researcher.

Lectures by:

Dr. Barbara Heron, York University, <https://profiles.laps.yorku.ca/profiles/bheron/>

Dr. Nimo Bokore, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lerrn/people/nimo-bokore/>

Week 3: Introduction to refugee and forced migration politics

The purpose of this module is:

1. For participants to provide theoretical context and background on refugee and forced migration politics.
2. To give students the foundation for understanding refugee politics.

Lectures by:

Dr. Jay Ramasubramanian, York University, <https://profiles.laps.yorku.ca/profiles/jayram/>

Dr. James Milner, Carleton University

Week 4: History of Politics and Policy

The purpose of this module is:

1. Understanding global migration governance
2. Developing and understanding of global refugee norms

Lectures by:

Dr. Andriata Chironda, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

Dr. Laura Madokoro, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/laura-madokoro/>

Week 5: Research Design

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand researching refugees: Methodological considerations for *cross-cultural research*.
2. Explore practical and ethical challenges for researchers during fieldwork.

Lectures by:

Dr. Michaela Hynie, York University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/michaela-hynie/>

Federica De Sisto, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/federica-de-sisto/>

Week 6: Ethics

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand the ethical considerations for conducting partnered research with refugees and other vulnerable populations.
2. Learn how these ethical considerations change the way we conduct research

Lectures by:

Dr. Christina Clark-Kazak, University of Ottawa, <https://uniweb.uottawa.ca/members/2796>

Salma El Refaei, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/salma-essam-el-refaei/>

Week 7: Everyday Politics of the Global Refugee Regime

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Learn to identify and understand the different kinds of power in the Global refugee regime.

2. Engage with themes of agency, resilience, and humanitarianism.
3. Understand the role that power plays in the functioning of the refugee regime within diverse local politics.
4. Understand the combination of actors, factors and interests that condition the functioning of the refugee regime within diverse local politics.

Lectures by:

Dr. Jennifer Hyndman, York University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/jennifer-hyndman/>

Janemary Ruhundwa, Dignity Kwanza, Tanzania, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/janemary-ruhundwa/>

Week 8: Elite/Key Informant Interviews

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand elite interviews in the context of process tracing.
2. Understand the practicalities of conducting key informant interviews.
3. Responding to challenges in conducting key informant interviews.

Lectures by:

Dr. Jeff Crisp, Refugee Studies Centre, Oxford University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/jeff-crisp/>

Dr. James Milner, Carleton University

Week 9: Focus groups and working with documents

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand the benefits of focus groups.
2. Practice constructing questions and conducting a focus group.
3. Understand the different forms that archival documents take.
4. Practice identifying and working with archival documents.

Lectures by:

Dr. Dominique Marshall, Carleton University, <https://carleton.ca/lern/people/dominique-marshall/>

Dr. Nimo Bokore, Carleton University

Week 10: Community Action and Community Based Research/ Oral Histories and Life History/ Autoethnography

The purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Introduce participants about the language of doing cross-cultural research.

2. Explore the principles and challenges of the selected methods, and learn elements of the research process within quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods approaches.

Lectures by:

Emma Harake, Centre for Oral History and Story Telling, Concordia University,
<https://storytelling.concordia.ca/emma-harake/>

Dr. Nimo Bokore, Carleton University

Week 11: Knowledge Production

The Purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Understand the fundamentals of knowledge production
2. Learn from global south researchers on the challenges of knowledge production
3. Think critically about how their own research will address these challenges

Lecture by:

Dr. Loren Landau, Oxford University, <https://www.qeh.ox.ac.uk/people/loren-landau>

Week 12: Knowledge Mobilization

The Purpose of this module is for participants to:

1. Become familiar with knowledge mobilization strategies and tools.
2. Learn how to use social media safely and effectively during field research.
3. Share their own research projects.

Lectures by:

Dr. Francesca Ruisi, Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology,
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Dr. Dina Taha, York University, <https://carleton.ca/lernn/people/dina-taha/>

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