

# Migration and globalisation

## Essentials

### Taught programmes

#### MA degrees

Globalisation, Ethnicity and Culture  
Migration Studies

#### MSc degree

Social Research Methods (for details, refer to page 14)

### Research programmes

MPhil, PhD Migration Studies

### Related programme

MA in Globalisation and Development (p72)

### Admissions requirements

For information on overseas qualifications that meet the admissions requirements, refer to pages 156-157

#### MA

A first- or upper second-class undergraduate honours degree in a relevant social science or humanities subject

#### MSc

A first- or upper second-class undergraduate honours degree in any relevant social sciences subject, but applicants from other backgrounds may be considered. Applicants should submit an outline (two to three pages) of their research interests and state how studying for the MSc will help develop those interests, possibly for further research

#### MPhil

A first- or upper second-class undergraduate honours degree in any relevant social science, but applicants from other backgrounds may be considered. Applicants should submit an outline (two to three pages) of their research interests

#### PhD

A Masters degree in a subject area relevant to your research. Applicants should submit an outline research proposal (four to five pages) indicating the nature, ambitions and primary questions of the research project

### English language requirements

IELTS 6.5, with not less than 6.5 in Writing and 6.0 in the other sections. Internet TOEFL with 92 overall, with 21 in Listening, 22 in Reading, 24 in Speaking and 25 in Writing. For more information and alternative English language requirements, refer to page 156

### Fees

Refer to pages 158-159 for information on fees

### Further information

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- The School of Global Studies has post-graduate students from over 40 countries on its taught and research programmes.
- Our Masters programmes in the field of migration and globalisation draw on perspectives from anthropology, geography, international relations and development studies, politics and law.
- Our Migration Studies programmes are affiliated with the internationally recognised Sussex Centre for Migration Research, which has one of the largest concentrations of migration researchers in the world and an outstanding global reputation for research on migration.
- Our MA programme in Globalisation, Ethnicity and Culture seeks to bridge the gap between social science and humanities approaches to globalisation, ethnicity and cultural difference.
- We have strong policy links with national governments and international organisations such as IOM, the International Organization for Migration, and ILO, the International Labour Organization, which address the world's growing diversity.

## Taught programmes

### MA in Globalisation, Ethnicity and Culture 1 year full time/2 years part time

Drawing on contributions from history, anthropology, politics and geography, this programme will be of interest to those working in the fields of ethnic and cultural studies in global, regional and national contexts including southern Africa, South Asia, Latin America and the UK. The programme tackles the key issue of globalisation as a process of social change, its impact on ethnic identities, the politics of representation and cultural production, the rise of fundamentalisms, including terrorism, and the way in which these are rooted in historical contexts.

You are integrated into the research culture of the University and encouraged to attend seminars and symposiums in various centres of excellence at the University, such as the Centre for Colonial and Postcolonial Studies, the Sussex Centre for Migration Research, and the Centre for World Environmental History. Research skills training is also offered alongside the programme.

### Career opportunities

Our graduates have pursued careers in both the public and private sectors including institutions that focus on issues of cultural diversity or the management of a culturally diverse workforce, policy development and international consultancy. Other professional opportunities include local and city governments, international institutions (eg UNESCO, the European Union), and the cultural and media sector, as well as policy and research initiatives. Career destinations of recent graduates include assistant editor at the BBC, writer/editor at the Refugee Council, and director of a travel company.

### Programme structure

Autumn term: Globalisation and Culture  
• Globalisation and European Representations of Africa and India.

Spring term: two from Idea of Race • Migration, Inequality and Social Change • The Ethics and Politics of Globalisation • Transnational Migration and Diaspora. Other options may also be available.

Summer term and vacation: you undertake supervised work on a dissertation.

### Assessment

You are assessed by term papers of 5,000 words, and a 15,000-word dissertation.

### MA in Migration Studies 1 year full time/2 years part time

This interdisciplinary programme focuses on the widespread and diverse nature of migration around the world. It provides a comprehensive introduction to the emerging field of migration studies and is aimed at those involved in or contemplating voluntary or professional work with migrants, refugees or ethnic minorities, as well as those wishing to broaden their understanding of key theories and concepts relating to migration.

### Career opportunities

Our graduates have gone on to pursue careers working with migrants, refugees and asylum seekers in international organisations, and in local government authorities and charities, as well as going on to further study. Employers of our graduates include UNHCR, Refugee Council, and the Brussels-based Migration Policy Group.

**Programme structure**

Autumn term: Legal, Policy and Human Rights Aspects of Migration • Theories and Typologies of Migration.

Spring term: two from Migration, Inequality and Social Change • Migration Under the European Convention on Human Rights • Refugees and Development • The Politics of Citizenship and Immigration • Transnational Migration and Diaspora. Other options may also be available.

Summer term and vacation: you take Methods in Migration Research and undertake supervised work on a dissertation.

**Assessment**

You are assessed by term papers of 5,000 words, a case analysis on research methods, and a 10,000-word dissertation.

**MSc in Social Research Methods  
1 year full time/2 years part time**

Refer to Routes to postgraduate study at Sussex on page 14 for more information about this programme, including structure and assessment.

**Research programmes**

Research students are based in the Sussex Centre for Migration Research. It is possible either to study for a research degree registered in migration studies, or to work on a research topic that deals with migration while registered in another academic discipline. Both disciplinary and interdisciplinary students are welcome to become Associates of the Sussex Centre for Migration Research. However, places are limited, so prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to contact members of faculty (right) whose interests most closely coincide with their own.

**Coursework**

There are two common modes of entry for research students. First is traditional entry to an MPhil or PhD. Second is the MSc plus PhD pathway, which is the 1+3 route supported by the ESRC for studentships. All new research students are required to participate in a programme of research training courses and to take other courses that may be recommended by their supervisor, although exemption from research training courses can be granted to those who have already taken such courses at postgraduate level. Refer to Routes to postgraduate study at Sussex on pages 14-15.

**Fieldwork**

Many, but not all, students undertake fieldwork for projects leading to a PhD. Permission to proceed to fieldwork is not normally given before completion of the first year of research.



**Traditional Chinese arch in Liverpool, England. The MA in Migration Studies focuses on the widespread and diverse nature of migration around the world**

**Recent thesis titles**

*Experiencing staying behind: a study of women's lives during the temporary absence of migrant men in West Bengal, India*

*Overseas labour migration from rural Bangladesh: livelihoods, capital and risk in two villages in Comilla*

*Rural to urban labour migration: a study of upper-Egyptian labourers in Cairo*

*The dynamics between internal and international development: a development-oriented ethnographic study in Albania*

**Career opportunities**

Our graduates have gone on to work as academics and researchers in the social sciences, as well as to working in international organisations and to consultancy work.

**Faculty research interests**

Research interests are briefly described below. For more detailed information, visit [www.sussex.ac.uk/development](http://www.sussex.ac.uk/development) and [www.sussex.ac.uk/migration](http://www.sussex.ac.uk/migration)

**Professor Richard Black** Migration, globalisation and development, forced migration and return.

**Professor Rupert Brown** Refer to the Psychology subject entry on page 143.

**Anastasia Christou** Social and cultural geography; transnationalism and identity; culture and memory; gender and feminism; home and belonging.

**Michael Collyer** Forced and irregular forms of migration; Saharan transit migration in Morocco; internal displacement in Sri Lanka; refugee and asylum issues in Europe.

**Professor Jane Cowan** Refer to the Anthropology subject entry on page 41.

**Dimitris Dalakoglou** Cross-border landscapes, heritage, architecture, materialities and migration; Albania, Greece, Balkans; remittances, house-building, dwelling.

**Vinita Damodaran** Refer to the History subject entry on page 106.

**Professor Marie-Bénédicte Dembour** Refer to the Law subject entry on page 118.

**Professor Saul Dubow** Refer to the History subject entry on page 106.

**Anne-Meike Fechter** Gender, race and ethnicity in the context of global political and economic inequalities.

**Katy Gardner** Bangladesh; Islam, migration, diaspora, development.

**James Hampshire** Politics of citizenship and immigration.

**Raminder Kaur-Kahlon** Diaspora, race/ethnicity and culture.

**Professor Russell King** International migration and development in the Mediterranean and the Balkans.

**Alana Lentin** Refer to the Sociology subject entry on page 152.

**Professor Alan Lester** Refer to the Geography subject entry on page 102.

**Mark Leopold** Refer to the Anthropology subject entry on page 41.

**Julie Litchfield** Refer to the Economics subject entry on page 79.

**Peter Luetchford** Refer to the Development studies subject entry on page 75.

**Filippo Osella** Refer to the Anthropology subject entry on page 41.

**Barry Reilly** Refer to the Economics subject entry on page 79.

**Ben Rogaly** 'Race', immigration and class relations in the UK; agricultural and food sector; employment relations; migration, inequality and social change; India.

**Professor Shamit Saggat** Refer to the Politics subject entry on page 139.

**Professor Ronald Skeldon** Refer to the Geography subject entry on page 102.

**Maya Unnithan** Refer to the Anthropology subject entry on page 41.

**Katie Walsh** Intimacy, gender and emotion in migration contexts; British emigration; migrant identities in the Gulf; domesticity and belonging; postcolonial approaches to expatriate migration.