

Migrant Memory and the Post-colonial Imagination – Leicestershire schools colonial history survey - Participant Information Sheet

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We would like to invite you to participate in the *Migrant Memory and the Post-colonial Imagination* project funded by The Leverhulme Trust (2017-22) being conducted by Loughborough University. Participation involves you, or a nominated member of staff, completing our online survey that investigates what, if any, colonial history is being taught in schools in Leicestershire. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

What is the purpose of this study?

The purpose of this survey is to explore the ways in which contested histories and issues of inequality have, or have not, been taught and to understand the potential challenges around teaching these topics. We aim to use the survey data to develop resources to support the teaching of colonial history and its legacy in the UK today.

This study is part of the MMPI project, which explores how Partition and wider processes of decolonisation are remembered and how these memories continue to shape social relationships both inside South Asian communities in the UK and between different groups and communities. For more information about the project, please see <https://www.memoriesofpartition.co.uk/https://www.memoriesofpartition-co-uk-more/>.

We will use the survey responses to look for patterns in the ways in which contested histories and issues of inequality feature at various key stages and across different subjects. We will use the data to understand the potential challenges around teaching these topics and aim to use the data in the initial development of teaching resources to help schools with the inclusion of these topics in primary and secondary education.

Who is doing this research and why?

The MMPI team, based in the School of Social Sciences and Humanities, is conducting this research (for more information, see [Meet the Team](#)). To date, no research has comprehensively explored South Asian memories of Partition, migration and empire in the UK and their relevance to contemporary life and we aim to understand what role primary and secondary school curricula plays in education of the empire and its legacy.

Are there any exclusion criteria?

This survey has been designed to be completed by a member of staff who works at a school in Leicestershire.

What will I be asked to do and how long will it take?

Once you have read this letter and completed the consent section (and have asked any questions you may have), you will be directed to the online survey. This is a short, multiple choice survey and we estimate it will take 10 minutes to complete.

Once I take part, can I change my mind?

Participation in the survey is completely voluntary. Anyone has the right to decline to answer any question and/or to withdraw from this study at any stage for any reason and will not be required to explain their reasons for withdrawing. However, once the results of the study are anonymised and aggregated, it may not be possible to withdraw your individual data from the research.

Data Protection Privacy Notice

Loughborough University will be using information/data from you in order to undertake this study and will act as the data controller for this study. This means that the University is responsible for looking after your information and using it properly.

What personal information will be collected from me and how will it be used?

All the personal information and information about individual schools that is provided will be kept confidential to the researchers. Personal information, such as name and role, as well as school name, is collected to understand where issues relevant to colonial history feature in school curricula and institutional structures and the extent to which teaching colonial history relates to the geographical location of schools. Email addresses will be collected for the purposes of future contact (if answered 'yes' to question 11 in the survey for a follow-up conversation). You can request to withdraw your personal data from study and if you would like to do so, please get in touch with the project team before October 2021.

Will my taking part in this study be kept confidential?

Taking part in this survey will be kept confidential. All data collected will be anonymised. Once the data has been anonymised and aggregated, it will be securely stored in Loughborough University Research Repository and made open access with a CC BY-NC-ND (non-commercial) license.

If you have any questions or concerns about the survey or the way in which personal information and data is used, please contact: Dr Jasmine Hornabrook j.hornabrook@lboro.ac.uk

Are there any disadvantages or risks in participating?

Risks: Your anonymised data will be securely stored on Loughborough University Research Repository.

If you are not happy with how the research was conducted, please contact the Secretary of the Ethics Approvals (Human Participants) Sub-Committee, Research Office, Hazlerigg Building, Loughborough University, Epinal Way, Loughborough, LE11 3TU. Tel: 01509 222423. Email: researchpolicy@lboro.ac.uk

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