

## Beyond Decolonisation: Transforming University Culture and Curriculum

The term "Decolonisation" in higher education carries diverse meanings, presenting both challenges and opportunities. The conference emerged from discussions within the NERUPI Student and Staff Race and Ethnic Equity (SsREE) working group about the unexplained degree awarding gap between different ethnic groups. It became clear that a transformative approach was required, focussing on innovative practice that fosters cultural shifts towards a more inclusive ethos. The conference will delve into the historical roots of decolonisation, reflect on personal decolonisation journeys, enable sharing of experiences and explore actionable strategies to support change and APP intervention strategies. Hear from speakers spearheading decolonisation efforts and discover subject-specific approaches designed to revitalise the curriculum and transform the culture of higher education.

- 9:00**      **Coffee, registration, poster, and photography viewing**
- 9:30**      **Welcome and Introduction**
- 9:40**      **Keynote Session: What is Decolonisation?**  
Dr Gurnam Singh, (PhD., NTF., FRSA) Hon Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Warwick and Visiting Fellow in Race and Education, UAL
- 10:30**      **Coffee break, poster, and photography viewing**
- 11:00**      **Personal Decolonisation Journeys**  
Dr Deborah Husbands, Chartered Psychologist and Reader
- 11:45**      **Parallel Sessions**  
- **Decolonising Personal Mental Health, and Student wellbeing:** Fatmata K Daramy, Doctoral Researcher and SsREE Co-lead  
- **Creating Institutional Change (EDI):** Megha Kashyap, Decolonising Research Fellow, London South Bank University
- 12:30**      **Lunch**
- 13:30**      **Afternoon Keynote: Curriculum and Pedagogy**  
Includes:  
Dr Constantino Dumangane Jr, Assistant Professor in Education  
Dr Syra Shakir, Associate Professor Learning and Teaching, Leeds Trinity University
- 14:35**      **Subject Specific Parallel Sessions**  
- **STEM:** TBC  
- **Law:** Shaid Parveen, Associate Dean for Enterprise and Engagement, Aston Law School  
- **Medicine and Healthcare;** Sumaya Ahmed Course Leader & Senior Lecturer of Chiropractic  
- **Arts:** Dr Amita Nijhawan, Educational Developer Co-Creator, University of Arts London  
- **Humanities and Social Sciences:** TBC

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**15:10 Dessert Break**

**15:35 Panel Discussion: Decolonisation in action**

Includes:

Chair - Dr Dave Thomas, Associate Professor, Solent University

Dr Constantino Dumangane Jr

Megha Kashyap

Shaid Parveen

**16:00 Close and Thanks**

**16:10 Drinks Reception and Networking**

*Posters, and photographs by NERUPI members will be available to view throughout the day.*