

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025  
13:30 – 15:00

**Session Title:** Barriers to Belonging: Insights from Black Student's Experiences

**Presenter:** Iman Federico

**Talk Description:** This session draws on research with Black students to examine the racial, socioeconomic, and cultural barriers to participation in higher education, and considers how addressing these challenges through meaningful student voice can enhance experience, belonging, and success.

- ♦ **13.30 Welcome and Introductions**  
Amina and Annette (Iman to introduce themselves as new co-lead)
- ♦ **13.40 NERUPI Updates**  
Annette Hayton and Clare Gartland
- ♦ **13.45 Lightning Talk:** Barriers to Belonging: Insights from Black Student's Experiences  
Speaker: Iman Federico
- ♦ **14.00 Breakout Room:**
- ♦ **14.15 Discussions and Feedback**
- ♦ **14.55 Close**