

About This Workshop

Critically examine how power, race, and colonialism shape research in languages, literature, and sociology.

Over two mornings, we will explore what it means to decolonize research. Through keynotes, discussion, and hands-on activities, participants will reflect on their own practice and leave with concrete decolonial tools and resources.

All are welcome.

"Abolition is about eliminating the conditions that produce violence, not just the violence itself. It is a project of building, not just tearing down." — Ruth Wilson Gilmore

Practical Information

LOCATION

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WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

Decolonizing Research: Ethics, Methodologies, and Positionality

"Decolonizing research is not a destination but a journey of transformation—for researchers, communities, and the very foundations of knowledge itself."

— Linda Tuhiwai Smith

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We acknowledge that decolonizing research begins with where we stand, and we thank you for joining us on this journey.

Day 1

WED 14 OCT 2026

Welcome participants

Icebreaker
Linda Tuhiwai Smith, Decolonizing Methodologies — excerpt and questions

KEYNOTE

Dr. Jessica Small

Break

Activity 1
English (or French) with an Accent

End of Day 1
Critical Thinking Question #1

Day 2

FRI 16 OCT 2026

Welcome Back

Icebreaker
Unpacking Critical Thinking Questions

KEYNOTE

Artist Marina Tziara

Break

Activity 2
Positionality: Strengths, Skills, and Power

End of Day 2

Decolonial Resource Material

A selection of resources to continue your engagement with decolonizing research beyond the workshop.

SAGE Research Methods — Diversifying & Decolonizing Research

An excellent online information bank. Limited access, but a great starting place for decolonizing research resources.
<https://sagepub.libguides.com/research-methods/diversifying-decolonizing-research>

Decolonizing Research Methods — Practical Toolkit (2026 Guide)

A practical guide to applying decolonial methods in your own research practice.
<https://inclusionresearch.org/decolonizing-research-methods-practical-toolkit-2026-guide>

Decolonising Methodologies (Reading Pack, Part 2)

Curated reading material on decolonial methodologies from the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research.
<https://www.scjrc.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Decolonising-Methodologies-P2.pdf>

Decolonisation Resources — Utopia

A collected resource hub on decolonisation.
<https://utopia.ac/resources/decolonisation/>

Decolonising Curriculum — Zotero Group Library

A shared, community-maintained reference library of decolonial curriculum materials.
<https://www.zotero.org/groups/2282515/decolonisingcurriculum/library>