



## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION STATEMENT AND CONSENT FORM

### What is the research study about?

**Background:** Traditionally, centralised support services at Australian universities have been directed at students who are born and educated in Australia and are native English speakers. They are not at students who come from different cultural/ language backgrounds and/or who may have had fragmented previous educational experiences, for example those from forced migrant background.

Forced migration covers UNHCR (the UN Refugee Agency) references to displacement that occurs when individuals are forced to leave their homes or places of habitual residence in order to avoid situations such as armed conflict, violence, human rights abuses, natural or man-made disasters.

Although Australian universities (including UNSW) provide opportunities that may be relevant to students from forced migrant background, the ease of navigating these opportunities through university systems and programs is not satisfactory. Also, there is no clear mechanism to assess the impact of support services in these students and ensure they are fit for purpose.

We propose to establish a program at UNSW for women from forced migrant background, to study in a well-connected and inclusive ecosystem that supports them through their higher education and professional development journey. We aim to include voices of target students to inform the design of proposed support program at UNSW.

Why focus on women? It is well-known that an intersection of multiple forms of systemic discrimination produces greater disadvantage for groups of people who are not dominant and do not have same access to power and privilege as the dominant groups. Even when the systems are not actively discriminatory, structural barriers, such as language, poverty, and migration status can render certain groups of people



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**1. Who is conducting this research?**

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mutually convenient time and may be in person at UNSW Kensington campus(at)-1ed



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Audio or video recordings will be stored on a UNSW Microsoft Teams folder which will only be accessible by the approved research team in this consent form. This recording is optional and is only intended to check against drafted transcripts. Once transcripts are finalised, these recordings will be deleted. You can choose not to have your interview recorded in which case the research team will take notes at the time of interview. Your drafted transcripts will be shared with you for review and feedback prior to finalising.

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**Consent Form – Participant providing own consent**

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