

## Migration and the labour market

### Researcher

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### Research focus

What are the complexities of transcending boundaries and crossing geographical, national and linguistic borders in relation to accessing work?

### Methodology

We take an approach that draws on Critical Interactional Sociolinguistics, Critical Discursive Analysis and Critical (Institutional) Ethnography. We adopt a heuristic approach exploring the complex relationship between individual agency, hegemonic ideologies and existing societal structures which produce and reproduce power hierarchies.

### Key findings

- The processes for negotiating and accessing work are deeply political and ideological.
- Newcomers experience a linguistic penalty when they are labelled as 'different' and fail to talk and perform the way 'we' do.

### To find out more

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