



Integration and Resettlement of Refugees and Forced Migrants

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Message from the Guest Editors

The Refugees in Towns (RIT) project at Tufts University focuses on refugee and other migrants' integration experiences by drawing on the local knowledge of individuals living in migrant-hosting towns around the world. Since the RIT project began in mid-2017, we have commissioned more than 15 case studies, with another 15 in the pipeline. We are building a public database of cases to share local knowledge about the factors that enable or obstruct integration, and the ways in which migrants and hosts co-exist, adapt, and struggle with integration. Our immediate goal is to support communities, NGOs, and governments in shaping policy and practice. Our long-term goal is to build a theory of integration from the ground up.

In this Special Issue, we invite short papers (<15pgs)—particularly by refugees or local citizens living in migrant-hosting towns—that explore urban integration. In your experience, how have refugees and citizens interacted in your town? What has been the role of town officials in enabling or obstructing integration? What has been the social, economic and cultural impact of migration on the town, and how have locals responded?





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