

Special Issue

Continuations of Cruelty: Migration, Citizenship and the Inhumane

Message from the Guest Editors

In this context, theorisations regarding the concept of ‘cruelty’ and ‘onticide’ have gained importance within the wider literature. Critical attention has been paid to violent border practices as “strategic cruelty”, far from incidental, but deliberate and intentional (Peterie 2022; Sajjad 2022). Others have argued that “technologies of cruelty” are enacted through the minimisation and erasure of violence that asylum seekers experience (Aradau and Canzutti 2022) and are produced and reproduced through banal “everyday cruelties”, rather than within exceptional spaces (Bashovski 2022). Therefore, this Special Issue aims to examine the contemporary context of migration, citizenship, and social rights through the lens of “cruelty”, suffering, and onticide. The goal is to produce a high-quality multidisciplinary space with contributions from scholars interested in critically analysing this context.

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