

Conference Program

Addressing Discrimination Through Education — Interdisciplinary Approaches and International Perspectives

The conference is dedicated to exploring the role of education as a transformative practice for analyzing and overcoming discriminatory structures. A special focus lies on teacher education and university instruction, the critical reflection of societal power relations, and the development of innovative didactic concepts — particularly from intersectional and digital perspectives.



Date

2.-4. November 2025



Location

Festsaal, University of Münster Schlossplatz 5, 48149 Münster (Germany)



Organization

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Participation Online

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Abstracts and Speakers





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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

07:00 Opening Dinner

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025

08:45 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 - 09:30 Welcome by the Conference Organizers

Opening Remarks

- Prof. Dr. Michael Quante (Vice-Rector for International Affairs, Transfer and Sustainability)
- Prof. Dr. Mouhanad Khorchide (Executive Director, Centre for Islamic Theology)

09:30 - 10:30 Keynote Speech

 Agnes Kaposi (UK):
 Harmage and Hope – Holocaust Education and Beyond

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 - 12:15 PANEL 1: Discrimination in Different Contexts

- Johan Wassermann (University of Pretoria):
 The 1976 SOWETO Youth Uprising 50 Years on –
 Discrimination in Education Then and Now
- Anja Ballis (University of Munich):
 Exploring Discrimination in Teacher Education in
 Germany Empirical Insights and Didactic Reflections

12:15 - 01:30 Lunch Break

01:30 - 03:00 PANEL 2: Antisemitism & Anti-Muslim Racism

- Charlotta Seiler Brylla (University of Stockholm):
 Antisemitic Manifestations The Semiotics of
 Antisemitism in Sweden and Experiences Among
 Jewish Youth
- Asher Mattern (University of Tübingen),
 Fahimah Ulfat (University of Münster):
 Jewish-Muslim Relations: Historical Entanglements
 and Contemporary Challenges in RE

03:00 - 03:30 Coffee Break

03:30 - 04:00 Roundtable - Discrimination in Past and Present

Open Discussion with Day 1 Speakers

04:30 - 06:00 Advisory Board Meeting

07:00 Dinner

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025

09:00 - 09:15 Review & Preview

Summary of Day 1 in Discussions
Introduction of Day 2 topics and objectives

09:15 - 10:45 PANEL 3: Literacies of Power and Resistance in Digital Spaces

- Clara M. Chu (University of Illinois Urbana Champaign):
- Information with the Intent to Harm Opportunities for Anti-Oppressive Information Literacy
- Vesna Bjegac (University of Munich),
 Nina Simon (University of Leipzig):
 Language, Power, and Literature (Education) in
 Digital Spaces Insights from BookTok Practices

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 - 01:15 PANEL 4: (Algorithmic) Discrimination and Virtual Education

Education

- Erkan Binici (University of Münster):
 Navigating Ethical Tensions in Anti-Discriminatory
- Jana Rüppel, Rebecca Schuler, Lisa Schwendemann (University of Munich):
 - Professionalising Anti-Discrimination in (Teacher) Education – Insights and Perspectives
- Svenja Hahn (University of Erlangen-Nuremberg), Calvin Hofmann, Mario Schwarz (University of Applied Sciences Heilbronn): Decoding Discrimination in Virtual Spaces: Exploring the VR Environment 'Down the Rabbit Hole'

01:15 - 02:00 Working Lunch: Closing Discussion and Future Directions

02:00 End of Conference





