## School of Social Sciences course summary

### Semester 1, 2016

**SOCW7857 Refugees and Forced Migration**

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### Summary of the course
This course examines contemporary issues of concern, law and policy impacting populations affected by displacement and forced migration. International law and policy will be examined to evaluate its effectiveness to respond to those affected by all forms of forced migration. The root causes of various forms of people movement and the impact of the experience of forced migration and displacement will be explored and analysed using a range of theoretical constructs and disciplinary perspectives. Key debates, challenges and potential remedies for major current problems will be discussed and developed in class and through the assignments. The ethics of working with refugee and other displaced populations will also be examined.

### Course learning outcomes

1. Apply an understanding of international and domestic law and policy to the refugee, forced migration and displacement experience.

2. Describe the difference between a refugee, a migrant, an asylum seeker an internally displaced person, a stateless person and a person displaced by climate change.

3. Demonstrate an understanding of the refugee and displacement experience, including the gendered nature of displacement, through flight, transit, first and subsequent situations of asylum and durable solutions.

4. Discuss and analyse the root causes of refugee generation and forced migration and displacement.

### Assessment

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For the purpose of attendance monitoring, the final assessment for this course is *the 2,500 word essay* worth 60% of your overall grade for this course. This is the assessment item that will be graded at zero if you do not meet the attendance requirement for this course (see [https://socialsciences.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/resources/policies-guidelines/](https://socialsciences.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/resources/policies-guidelines/)).

The full course outline will be available in Moodle in Orientation (O) Week, from Monday 22 February 2016.