

When: Monday, 14 May 2018, 10.00 - 14.00

Where: Keele University, Keele Hall,

the Salvin Room



An unmissable opportunity to hear from a panel of experts in race and migration research. Hosted by the Centre for Social Policy within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and part of the Race Equality Charter seminar series at Keele, this event will explore how issues of racism and discrimination can be addressed locally, in education contexts and through engagement with local authorities and charities. The event will feature key note presentations from Dr Omar Khan (Runnymede), Dr Naomi Flynn (University of Reading) and Prof. Farzana Shain (Keele University). There will also be an interactive workshop on the theme of celebrating 'togetherness' led by Grantley Haynes (Wheeler Street Young Entertainers and Entrepreneurs in Action) and supported by Keele academics, including Dr Elizabeth Poole, Dr Siobhan Holohan, Dr Deirdre McKay, Dr Aneta Hayes and Dr John Howlett.

The event is free to attend and there will be lunch and refreshments. However, you must register in advance. Please register for the event here - https://www.eventbrite.com/e/race-and-racism-in-contemporary-britain-national-issues-local-solutions-tickets-43827886388

Please contact Dr Aneta Hayes (a.m.hayes@keele.ac.uk, 017827 33556) or Dr John Howlett (j.howlett@keele.ac.uk, 017827 34151) if you have any questions. We will also be happy to receive any questions you might have for the panel, who will do their best to answer them during the event.

Event Outline

10.00 - Registration

10.15 - Introduction and Welcome (Prof. Shane O'Neill, Dean of Humanities & Social Sciences on behalf of the Race Equality Charter)

10.30 – 11.00 - Keynote - Dr Omar Khan – Runnymede Trust

11.00 - 11.10 - Coffee/ Refreshments

11.10 – 12.30 – Grantley Haynes – "Working Together, Celebrating Race, Equity and Togetherness", followed by an interactive workshop with colleagues from Keele who will give a short presentation about their work and interact with the audience about supporting minority communities.

12.30 – 13.00 - Lunch and refreshments

13.00 – 13.30 - Keynote – Dr Naomi Flynn – "'I wish all my pupils were Polish': Tracking change and persistence of the model minority myth"

13.30 – 14.00 - Keynote – Prof. Farzana Shain - "The changing face of race and racism in Britain: being 'othered', fighting back".

14.00 – 14.15 – Q& A session



Speaker Biographies



Omar Khan is Runnymede's Director. Prior to this he was Runnymede's Head of Policy and led the financial inclusion programme. Omar's other advisory positions include chair of Olmec, chair of the Ethnicity Strand Advisory Group to Understanding Society and chair of the advisory group of the Centre on Dynamics of Ethnicity at the University of Manchester.

Grantley Haynes is the founder of Wheeler Street Young Entertainers & Entrepreneurs in Action (WSYEEA). He has been consultant on several community programs to improve their appreciation for Diversity, Race and Equality. He has led many performing arts coaching programs: Music, Singing, Dance, Performance and Musical Theatre and sat on the Race and Equality Committee NTA (National Treatment Agency for Substance Misuse)



Naomi Flynn is an Associate Professor of Primary English Education at the University of Reading. Her research focuses on the impact of policy for the teaching of English on teachers' classroom practice. Naomi has analysed how teachers have responded to Polish children in primary schools since 2007, and how this relationship has changed over time. Her core interest is in exploring ways in which the teaching profession can take confident, research-informed ownership of effective pedagogy for teaching English to multilingual learners.

Farzana Shain is Professor of Sociology of Education at Keele University. Her research and writing focus on educational policy and inequalities (raced, gendered, classed) and young people's mediations of economic, political and social change, including the 'war on terror' She is currently a Leverhulme Research Fellow working on the project 'British Muslim girls past, present and future lives'.