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# Peer researcher Refugee Integration Yorkshire and Humber: information and role description

## Introduction

The Refugee Integration Yorkshire and Humber project

(<u>www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/integration</u>) is looking for people who are interested in becoming peer researchers. You'll be working on a project aiming to understand and improve how people with experience of being refugees settle into their new communities in Yorkshire and Humber.

You will do interviews with people across the region and your work will become part of a published research report.

### What is the research about?

Through this research we want to learn what is important for people with experience of being refugees and what helps them to feel comfortable and welcome in their new communities.

#### What will you do as a peer researcher?

Peer research is conducted by people who have lived experience of the topic that is being researched. We are looking for people who have experience of being refugees in the UK.

You will be working closely with and supported by researchers from Migration Yorkshire and the University of Salford.

#### What skills or experience you need in order to be peer researcher?

- You need to be interested in doing research with people experience of having done research before will be an advantage, though it is not essential.
- You need to be a good listener and interested in other people's stories
- You need to treat any information produced through research confidentially
- Your conversational English should be good, but you may do some interviews in your mother tongue (or any other language you feel comfortable speaking)
- You need to live somewhere in the Yorkshire and Humber region
- You need to have experience of being a refugee
- You need to have permission to work in the UK.







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## What will you get in return?

- Basic training in how to do research with people (the training will happen in early July 2019)
- Experience of conducting research in the UK
- Experience of working with researchers from university and Migration Yorkshire
- You will develop skills such as communication and analysis
- You will meet new people
- Opportunities to influence councils and other organisations on issues affecting people with experience of being refugees

## Payment and working hours

You will be paid for your time.

The payment for this role is based on a sessional contract (freelance) which means that you will be paid for doing work on the basis of pre agreed range of hours. We are looking for someone who can commit to working **at least** 30 hours over a period of 4 months, and who can commit to participate in a training on doing research, which will last at least 14 hours.

## Where will the research happen?

The research will happen in the Yorkshire and Humber region. You might be asked to travel to different parts of Yorkshire and Humber to do the research. Travel expenses will be covered.

## Are you interested in this role?

If you would like more information about this role please get in touch with Vanja Celebicic via telephone 0113 5350647, or email <u>vanja.celebicic@migrationyorkshire.org.uk</u>

If this sounds like something you would like to do, you can:

- send a short email or letter explaining why you are interested in being a peer researcher
- send a short and simple video telling us about why you are interested in being a peer researcher
- or you can call Vanja and have a chat.



