

## Issues and Controversies in Forced Migration: A Multi-Disciplinary Seminar

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### Syllabus:

#### *24 January*

#### **Famine, Food Security and Humanitarian Aid**

*Dr John Seaman (Save the Children UK)*

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#### **Nutrition and Forced Migration I**

*Prof Jeya Henry (Oxford Brookes University)*

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### Nutrition and Forced Migration II

**Prof Jeya Henry (Oxford Brookes University)**

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Roche, A (1995) 'Body Composition of Ethnic Groups in the US', *Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, Vol 4 pp 63–68.

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*14 February*

**Development Induced Displacement and Resettlement**

*Patricia Feeney (Independent Consultant)*

*21 February*

**Biodiversity and Population Displacement**

*Dr Dawn Chatty (RSC)*

Squandering Paradise? The importance and vulnerability of the world's protected areas. Christine Carey, Nigel Dudley, and Sue Stolton, WWF World Wide Fund for Nature International, Gland, Switzerland, 2000.

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*28 February*

**Psychosocial Dimensions of Forced Migration I: Dominant psychological paradigms in refugee literature**

*Sr Maryanne Loughry (RSC)*

In the first week of this course we concentrate on the main paradigms that have been used to help explain the behaviour of refugees. This introduction explores both theories and therapeutic applications.

De Jong, J. (2000). Psychiatric Problems Related to Persecution and Refugee Status. In F Henn, N Sartorius, H. Helmchen & H Lauter. *Contemporary Psychiatry*. Berlin: Springer-Verlag Berlin & Heidelberg GmbH & Co.

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### 7 March

#### **Psychosocial Dimensions of Forced Migration II: The nature of modern day conflict: Should we take the psycho out of psychosocial?**

**Sr Maryanne Loughry (RSC)**

In this week we consider challenges to programmes that have been designed to address ‘posttraumatic stress’ in war zones. We concentrate on the contribution the diagnosis Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) has made to our understanding of the experiences of refugees and those who have been subjected to torture.

There is an argument for a stronger focus on the social rather than psychological needs of refugees.

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Summerfield, D (1998). The Social Experience of War and Social Issues for the Humanitarian Field. In P.J. Bracken & Petty, C. *Rethinking the Trauma of War*. London: Free Association Books, 9–34.

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### 14 March

#### **Psychosocial Dimensions of Forced Migration III: What, if anything, can be done?**

**Sr Maryanne Loughry (RSC)**

This week explores the approaches to psychosocial programming that can be found in the field. The seminar will examine frameworks for programming and their accompanying assumptions.

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