



Minority Research Public Talks

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Beyond Inclusion: Gesturing Towards Decolonial Futures

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Addressing global justice in education is complex and multi-faceted: what if the systems that create our sense of prosperity and that give us hope, enjoyment and a sense of safety are both inherently violent and unsustainable? Facing the magnitude of the task of enabling a world without violent and unsustainable relations requires more than a change of values, narratives, convictions or protocols: it requires an interruption of conscious and unconscious harmful desires hidden behind promises of entitlements and securities that people hold on to, particularly when they are afraid of pain, loss, scarcity and belittlement. This presentation offers a snapshot of the work of the arts/research collective “Gesturing Towards Decolonial Futures”, which addresses these questions and focuses on enabling healthier possibilities of (co)existence that are viable, but are unthinkable/unimaginable within our dominant frames of reference.

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