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Call for Papers for a Special Issue: In Queer Minds

'In Queer Minds' is a limited series podcast created by Dr Bri McKenzie, Dr Maddy Magladry and Dr Deborah Hunn with thanks to the Curtin Human Rights and Social Justice Visionary Seed Fund. Each of the four episodes, in conversation with a variety of Australian academics from sociology, psychology, sexology, cultural studies and anthropology, explores issues arising from doing research in the queer community.

Topics discussed include navigating research identity, negotiating the complexities of representing intersectional axes of oppression, and working within and beyond the constraints of institutions. Participants in the podcast span a range of activist, academic and community roles and offer perspectives from intersecting identities. The podcast was an effort to make queer researchers (and research about/for queer people) visible and accessible beyond academia.

This CfP seeks responses to issues raised in the 'In Queer Minds' podcast series to be featured in a special issue of *Continuum*. While we encourage contributors to <u>listen to the podcast</u> (transcripts are also available on the site), it is not necessary to make the podcast or any of the participants the centre of the work; that is, we invite contributors to use provocations from the podcast to reflect on and discuss how some of the themes reflected in the podcast occur in their own work, as well as their own countries, cultural contexts and disciplines.

Areas for consideration include (but are not limited to):

- The role of allies in queer activism and research
- Collaboration and interdisciplinarity in gueer research
- Intersectionality in queer studies feminism, race and class in queer studies
- Challenges arising from the researcher/researched dynamic
- Using and negotiating binaries
- The impact of Covid19 on queer identities and spaces
- The importance of peer researchers/investigators
- Queer indigenous perspectives
- Queer digital communities
- Queer podcasting activism, information, research.
- Building queer youth communities.
- Queer futures
- Queer in the Region.
- Other issues arising from the podcast.

Please send abstracts of no more than 400 words plus a 50 word contributor bio to bri.mckenzie@curtin.edu.au or Deborah.hunn@curtin.edu.au.

Acceptance of abstracts will close by **31/08/2021** and will be reviewed by the editing team within three weeks of close.

There is no guarantee that submitted abstracts will be published. While our aim is to secure publication of the special issue with *Continuum*, there is no guarantee that this will ultimately be the journal we publish with; in the event that we cannot publish through *Continuum*, we have a range of other appropriate options for publication.