



# RSC Pathways

An online course in Refugee Studies for learners affected by displacement

## Overview

The University of Oxford's Refugee Studies Centre (RSC) is pleased to announce the launch of applications for RSC Pathways, a three-month online course in Refugee Studies that is available free of charge to individuals who have been affected by forced displacement. The course teaches the interdisciplinary foundations of Refugee Studies, preparing learners for advanced academic, research, and professional opportunities.

## Structure

RSC Pathways is an online course inspired by the MSc in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies. Over three months, learners will be introduced to the main disciplines and themes in this field. Learners will be part of a global cohort that receives instruction from RSC lecturers, and they will receive direct mentorship from RLRH colleagues who facilitate deep engagement with course material. RSC Pathways is designed to support students who want to progress to graduate studies (i.e., master's or doctoral degrees) or pursue advanced careers in research and humanitarian policy-making and practice. RLRH will provide learners 1:1 support to help them identify and apply to graduate programmes—at Oxford and elsewhere—that are a good fit and that present a high likelihood of providing full scholarship for tuition and living costs. Learners will receive a certificate from the RSC upon completion.

## Eligibility criteria

In order to be considered for enrolment, applicants must:

1. Have lived experience of forced displacement (e.g., identifying as a current or 'former' refugee, asylum seeker, IDP, stateless person, or another category);
2. Have completed a bachelor's degree, or be in the final academic year of their study. Those with degrees in fields related to Social Sciences and Humanities are encouraged to apply (e.g., in International Relations, Politics, International Development, History, etc.). If you do not have a BA but possess comparable academic, research, or professional experience, you are also welcome to apply;
3. Convey interest in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies and humanitarian issues;
4. Be able to commit 12–14 hours a week, for a period of 3 months.

We strongly encourage applications from individuals in social groups that are under-represented in this space, including, but not limited to LGBTQI+, gender non-conforming, women, and disabled candidates.

**Application deadline: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 5pm GMT**

**Interested?** Attend one of our information sessions on 14th March at 8am GMT, 16th at 12noon, or 21st at 5pm. Find details on the application form.

**Apply here:** <https://www.rsc.ox.ac.uk/rsc-pathways-2023>