Plan Overview

A Data Management Plan created using DMPMelbourne

Title: What We Talk About When We Talk About Statelessness

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Project abstract:

This project will consist of text analysis and interviews with stateless and formerly stateless activists working globally to re-examine the concept of statelessness. This project will be the first of its kind to focus directly on how statelessness is experienced by individuals across different ethnic, cultural, geographical and migratory backgrounds. This project will use a Constructivist Grounded Theory methodology to ask how statelessness is defined and experienced by persons who are (or have been) statelessness and are also working to address the impacts of this status. My hypothesis is that seeking to answer this question by utilising a Constructivist Grounded Theory methodology will generate new insights drawn directly from the lived experience of stateless persons. By moving away from existing theories and assumptions regarding what statelessness is, how it is experienced and what the 'problem' of statelessness may be there is greater potential for new and diverse perspectives of the realities of statelessness to be developed. Specific attention will be paid to the similarities and differences in experiences and conception of statelessness between activists. Such an understanding of statelessness may provide a more stable, nuanced and reflective basis upon which advocacy efforts or future theoretical developments may be built.

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1. Getting Started

Faculty / Department

- School of Law

Project Start Date

04/12/2023

Project End Date

01/06/2027

2. Developing your DMP (about your data)

What kinds of data will you collect, create or reuse?

This project will collect data through a combination of oral interviews and document analysis. Oral interviews will be recorded and then transcribed with the consent of the participants. During the interview, notes will also be taken by the student researcher. Research data will be stored on the student researcher's password protected laptop and uploaded to the University accounts OneDrive as backup. Document analysis will additionally be undertaken on publicly available data include blog posts, articles, websites and podcasts.

What file formats will the data be in?

MP4 recordings will be made of all interviews. The student researcher will transcribe the recordings and store the transcriptions and audio files using NVivo software. Pdf copies will be made of blog posts and website pages which will be stored in NVivo. Published mater including articles and blogs will additionally be stored as PDF's in Mendeley reference managing software.

3. Ethics and Legal Issues

How will you manage any ethical issues?

The project involves the collection of individually identifiable information (such as names and dates) which are relevant for the purpose of the research. Participants will have the option of having their information anonymized. In these cases, the student researcher will ensure to the best of their abilities that their information is not identifiable in the research report or any outputs from the research.

How will you manage copyright and Intellectual Property Right (IPR) issues?

All sources will be cited according to AGLC4 guidelines and standards.

4. Organising, Storing and Backing-up your Data

How will you store and backup your data during the project?

The student researcher will ensure that all non-digital data is securely kept in a locked filing cabinet in her office at the Melbourne Law School or at her home office. While traveling overseas, she will ensure that all non-digital data is kept in physically secure places. As appropriate, a backup of copies of all data will be stored on both student researcher and principal supervisor's computer/laptop or external storage devices that are password protected.
The student researcher is responsible to manage all digital data in the short term and will ensure that all data is securely kept on password protected devices (either laptops, computers or smartphones). While travelling the student researcher will ensure that all devices are kept in a physically secure place.
Long term, all data will be stored on the University account's OneDrive of the student researcher and principal supervisor. As appropriate, a backup of copies of all data on both student researcher and principal supervisor's computer/laptop or external storage devices that are password protected.

How will you manage access and security?

The student researcher is responsible to manage security and storage of all data in the short term, while the principal supervisor is responsible to manage the data in the long term. All digital data will be stored on devices that are password protected, and non-digital data will be stored in a locked filing cabinet. Only the student researcher will have access to the unprocessed (raw) data. With consent of participants interviews will be recorded on a password protected smartphone or laptop. The student researcher will transcribe the recordings. Data will be stored on computers and a phone that are password protected.

5. Documenting and Describing your Data

What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?

An Excell file will be utilised to describes the file organisation, directly structure, naming convention and data standards used.

How will the consistency and quality of the data be controlled?

Data will be stored in NVivo and metadata recorded in an Excel Spreadsheet. Data will be analysed using Constructivist Grounded Theory Methodology which requires constant comparison between data sources and the identification of differences. This requires detailed and intensive engagement with data.

6. Sharing and Preserving your Data

How will you share your data?

Raw data will not be shared. Data analysis and findings will form the basis of the student researcher's PhD thesis.

Are there any restrictions on data sharing required?

No

Planned Research Outputs

Thesis - "Hannah Gordon Thesis "

Planned research output details

Title	Type	Release date	Access level	Repository(ies)	File size	License	Metadata standard(s)	May contain sensitive data?	May contain PII?
Hannah Gordon Thesis	Thesis	Unspecified	Open	None specified		None specified	None specified	No	No