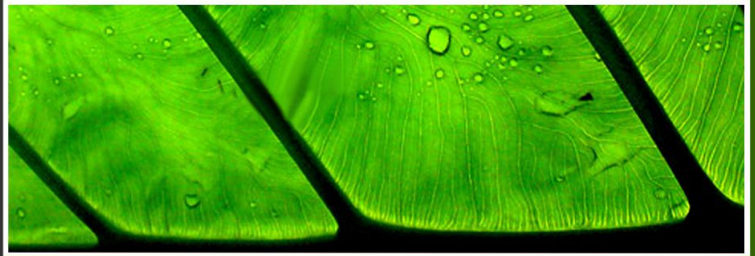


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As an integral part of human experience, 'belonging' is a ubiquitous concept in many areas of the humanities and social sciences and beyond. This is increasingly the case in the contemporary contexts of globalization, trans-nationalism, and the emergence of the network society, which have imbued issues of belonging with a renewed emphasis and increased urgency. Yet, as important as the concept of belonging is to discourses on migration, citizenship, community and wellbeing, among others, it is rarely defined or interrogated at length. While such ambiguity and elasticity is no doubt part of belonging's efficacy as a concept, it nonetheless veils the complexities of processes and experiences of belonging/not belonging.

Following a successful interdisciplinary workshop and symposium on belonging, the organizers of the Belonging Project, an initiative by interdisciplinary researchers from Melbourne, are now calling for submissions for a special issue of *New Scholar*. This special issue will showcase innovative research across disciplines that critically engages with the concept of belonging and the ways in which it is deployed and understood in academic discourses, with a view to examining the challenges and ambiguities embedded in the concept.

Submissions might address (but need not be limited to) the following themes:

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- Moving past the belonging/not-belonging dichotomy
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