

Love and Migration

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Love and migration are closely interlinked and love is explicitly or implicitly a driving force in many migration decisions. Individuals move because they have found love, because love ends or because they are in search of love. In this session we explore the link between migration and love in both a quantitative and qualitative fashion, and with regards to both internal and international migration. Examples include, but are not restricted to, long distance relationships, (transnational) marriage migration, tied moving, and gender aspects of love migration.

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