



FEMINIST CENTRE FOR RACIAL JUSTICE



# A REGIONAL FEMINIST MOVEMENT BUILDERS SCHOOL

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

**Who:**

The Feminist Centre for Racial  
Justice and

Just Associates (JASS)

**Dates:**

28 August – 3 September 2023.

**Where:** Mexico



## WHY?

We are witnessing the interconnected nature of global challenges whether they are linked to carceral technologies and how these are embodied by policing systems across the globe as seen in movements for **defund the police** in the US, UK and **EndSARS in Nigeria**.

Accompanying responses to police brutality is the crack down on protests through restrictive legislation governing freedom of association and protests, which illustrates a clear move to criminalize public dissent. At the same time, we are also witnessing the resurgence of anti-gender movements organizing transnationally against comprehensive sexuality education, bodily autonomy (abortion rights), queer rights, anti-\*trans lobbies which resource and influence legislation and policies across the globe.

Debates on same sex sexualities and transphobia have taken the form of legislative challenges. In the UK these have taken the form of challenges to gender recognition laws, in sections of Africa, the rise of criminalisation of queer people has most recently been seen in the anti-homosexuality law in Uganda. Undergirding these legislative pursuits is the mobilization of free speech and gender ideology. **Feminist scholars** have argued that a closer examination reveals a shared ideological base between far-right movements that pursue white nationalism as a basis to define Euro-American identity and gender critical arguments that draw on gender essentialist logics to define heteronormative and homonormative ideals. This movement building school will explore these themes with a focus on the regional manifestations.



## OBJECTIVES

- ▲ Explore the political conditions framing racial and gender injustices in the region.
- ▲ Identify indigenous, decolonial movement strategies supporting self-determination and liberation.
- ▲ Develop pedagogical approaches for exploring racial and gender justice transnationally.

## PARTICIPANTS

Are you?

- ▲ Part of social movements that work on racial justice at the intersection of feminist, queer, anti-Black, and indigenous approaches from or in Latin America?
- ▲ Committed to building an action/reflection plan post the movement building school.
- ▲ Willing to show how participating in the school will support your work?
- ▲ This is a pilot school fully funded for fifteen participants from Latin America.

## APPLY

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Submit your CV and personal statement that responds to the participants criteria to [fcjrj@soas.ac.uk](mailto:fcjrj@soas.ac.uk) by 31st July 2023

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Applications will be reviewed by a team of staff from both partner institutions.

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Only successful applicants will be contacted.