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Key words: cross-cultural psychology, political psychology, youth engagment



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Key words: intercultural competence, experiential learning, policies for managing diversity, migrant literature.



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Key Words: migration, exile, diaspora studies, feminism, South Asia, Indian Ocean culture and literature



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