

## Studying the Schema of Afghan Immigrants about Iranians; A Case Study of Immigrants in Tehran Province

**Authors :** Mohammad Ayobi

**Abstract :** Afghans have been immigrating to Iran for many years; The re-establishment of the Taliban in Afghanistan caused a flood of Afghan immigrants to Iran. One of the important issues related to the arrival of Afghan immigrants is the view that Afghan immigrants have toward Iranians. In this research, we seek to identify the schema of Afghan immigrants living in Iran about Iranians. A schema is a set of data or generalized knowledge that is formed in connection with a particular group or a particular person, or even a particular nationality to identify a person with pre-determined judgments about certain matters. The schemata between certain nationalities have a direct impact on the formation of interactions between them and can be effective in establishing or not establishing proper communication between the Afghan immigrant nationality and Iranians. For the scientific understanding of research, we use the theory of "schemata." The method of this study is qualitative, and its data will be collected through semi-structured deep interviews, and data will be analyzed by thematic analysis. The expected findings in this study are that the schemata of Afghan immigrants are more negative than Iranians because Iranians are self-centered and fanatical about Afghans, and Afghans are only workers to them.

**Keywords :** schema study, Afghan immigrants, Iranians, in-depth interview

**Conference Title :** ICCIC 2023 : International Conference on Cross-Cultural and Intercultural Communication

**Conference Location :** Los Angeles, United States

**Conference Dates :** October 30-31, 2023