

Research project:

The social and psychological significance of the relationship between professional caregivers and unaccompanied minor refugees in institutional youth care facilities and its effect on integration paths and adolescent development (AUF-2)

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The primary objective of the project is to explore the formation and development of relationships between professional caregivers and unaccompanied minor refugees in institutional youth care facilities. Specifically, based on subject matter expert interviews, the factors that are relevant for integration processes and adolescent development under the conditions of flight and migration are evaluated.

The goal of the project is to contribute to the promotion of social and educational work with unaccompanied minor refugees. The findings are intended to support youth welfare staff in structuring relationships with these young people and thus contribute to improving their psychosocial well-being and ultimately their social integration.

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