

Diversity in space research:

we want to hear from you!

About this research

Dr Elise Stephenson at the Global Institute for Women's Leadership, Australian National University, is conducting a research study on **Diversity in Space** seeking to understand gender and other forms of diversity (cultural diversity, LGBTIQ+ diversity) in the Australian and US space sectors.

Aiming to conduct a 'gender and diversity audit' of the space sector, this research will map representation, issues and opportunities for diverse groups in the sector, seeking to understand how diversity is understood and experienced, what policies may/may not be working, and key challenges and opportunities for the space sector around gender and other forms of diversity.

Seeking participants for interviews

We are seeking to conduct interviews with participants across Australia and the United States who meet the following criteria:

- Work in the space industry or in a space-related portfolio/role in government or are able to comment from either a personal or professional perspective on diversity issues in your experience/organisation/perspective.
- All genders, sexualities, cultural backgrounds are sought, however we have a particular focus on women and historically marginalised groups.

Why participate?

- Contribute to research around the opportunities and barriers for diverse groups in the space sector (industry and government).
- Learn how your experience and pathways compare with others.
- Suggest areas for improvement in policy and practice to support a diverse space sector.

To learn more or get involved

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The ethical aspects of this research have been approved by the ANU Human Research Ethics Committee (Protocol 2022/837).

