

THE SOCIAL VULNERABILITY OF THE YOUTH: MULTIMEDIA AGENCIES IN THE RESCUE OF CONTEMPORARY (POST)PANDEMIC EXILE

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Symposium format:

• Symposium Multimodal

Symposium mode:

• Hybrid

Sub-themes:

LINGUISTIC SOCIAL ISSUES: linguistic (in)justice, power, advocacy, attitudes & bias, diversity-emancipation, discriminations, ethnicity and gender, ideology, language

Short abstract in English :

Postmodern society is greatly characterized by multimedia productions in superdiverse contexts which allow new linguistic knowledge, disguised in multidiversified repertoires. In this sense, Blommaert (2010) and Vertovec (2007) discuss how linguistic features are ideologically loaded with semiotic components. This symposium aims to reflect upon the following: a) how young people (re)present their socio-historical-cultural contexts in their multimedia productions; b) how the concepts of translocality, indexicality and repertoires permeate their activities; c) how socio-historical-cultural barriers assume different roles to expand theoretical discussions of agency and social transformation. The agentive role of these young people, particularly in social vulnerability after the pandemic exile, will be focused on their spaces of interactions and their historicity, considering gender, manipulation, power, ideological positions and identity. In order to achieve that, this symposium relies on bringing together studies that discuss and promote reflections about agency and repertoires for social mobility.

Argument :

The idea is to merge researches that investigate the potential for innovation and social impact in education, especially through multimedia productions by young people in social vulnerability. Fostering practices aimed at new ways of inserting and developing young people in society, based on the interests and needs of their school communities, is also expected to be envisioned.



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