

Dr Maya Flax, PhD

Dr Maya Flax is a senior lecturer in Criminology at the University of West London

She has published research on religious hate crime, examining how victimisation differs for Muslims, Jews, and Hindus. Her work also explores the role of bystanders in hate crime incidents, analysing whether their inaction is driven by apathy, fear, or more complex social factors. Currently, she is leading a funded project by Vision, which focuses on the intersectionality of hate crime victims. The research aims to understand the unique challenges faced by individuals with overlapping marginalised identities when reporting hate crimes, and to enhance the systems for reporting and recording such incidents to better support victims with multiple identities.