

Critical friendship or critical distance: Engaging with the military in research

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Critical military studies engages in a sceptical curiosity about military power but where does the proximity of researcher and researched figure in this relationship. This roundtable reflects on the boundary between the military and academia through the different experiences of interactions either as veteran researchers, through professional military education or as long term but more distant observers. The roundtable will consider the following questions:

- Can one be too close to be critical?
- How does critical friendship inform knowledge production?
- What is lost by not engaging in direct dialogue with the military?
- Is the military open to hearing critical academic voices and where does the veteran voice fit in this?

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