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On a cold December day in 2015, Bayan Khatib, entered the Toronto Plaza Hotel, now temporary housing for hundreds of Syrian refugees. It seemed as if the families she bonded with years earlier in refugee camps bordering Syria were now home. The Syrian Canadian communications consultant spent five years connecting online with families she’d met in camps, looking at horrifying images of rubble and blood, working to make known their suffering. Khatib co-founded the Syria Film Festival in Toronto to voice the struggles and hopes of the Syrian people. She translated Just Five Minutes: Nine Years in the Prisons of Syria, the memoir of a female political prisoner. Khatib’s opinion articles appeared in The Globe and Mail and the Toronto Star, while her ghost-written pieces were published in The New York Times and The Washington Post. Khatib knows the refugee experience first-hand. Her family arrived in Canada as Syrian refugees years ago. The kindness of those who welcomed her then is something she was determined to pay forward. Inspired by the Canadian government’s commitment to resettle refugees, Khatib co-founded the Syrian Canadian Foundation (SCF). SCF aims to empower newcomers and people of diverse backgrounds, and promotes cross-cultural exchanges within Canadian society. Today, SCF runs programming attuned to the needs of newcomers: an English tutoring program, a popular youth program called Flash-Forward Photovoice, and Women’s Wellness, where women learn self-care and how to support traumatized children. Khatib also champions the initiatives of outstanding
refugees, like table tennis champion, Dema Dahouk. Khatib helped raised more than $10,000 toward realizing Dema’s dream — representing Canada in the Paralympics.

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Ayar has first-hand refugee experience and settled in London in the beginning of the 1990s. Now describes himself a Kurdish Londoner and Ayar believes his formal and most informative steps towards his integration or active citizenship in London began when he completed his undergraduate study at
SOAS, University of London in 1997. Ayar studied further and completed his postgraduate studies in social policy at Middlesex University in 2000 and later he studied forced migration and international human rights at University of East London (UEL) in 2009. Ayar was inspired by his experience at UEL and continued his dream study and gained his PhD in the same field at London South Bank University in April 2017.

His PhD research is on transnational migration, integration, and identity: a study of Kurdish diaspora in London analyses the notion of history, cultural identity and the idea of home and belonging by considering how the Kurds view their own history (the past) and how they relate (at present) within their new home, that is London. In other words an analytical attempt has been made to understand a shifting position of the Kurds from victims in the region to active citizens in London or Kurdish Londoners.

In the course of his research Ayar has also helped to establish a small voluntary group called Maheen Project in Croydon south London. This project is supporting unaccompanied refugee children to settle successfully in London (www.maheenproject.co.uk).

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Dacia Douhaibi is a third year doctoral student in the Geography Department at York University, studying the linkages between large scale development, land grabs, forced displacement and process of territorialization. This year, Dacia will be in South Sudan on fieldwork for her dissertation. Her project will identify the current scale of land acquisitions in South Sudan and the nature of the impact of changing land control arrangements on community land use systems. Dacia holds an MA in International Affairs from the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs at Carleton University and completed a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology at the University of Victoria. Between these degrees, Dacia also worked on several community development projects in Asia, Central America, and Africa. Currently, Dacia sits on the board of the Canadian based charitable organization, Vulnerable Children's Society, which partners with Ethiopian NGOs to support children through health and educational challenges. Dacia is also the co-chair of the Centre for Refugee Studies Student Caucus, works as a research assistant for the Borderless Higher Education for Refugees (BHER) project, and coordinates a mentorship program that links peer mentors across the world with students in the Dadaab refugee camps.
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Mohamed Duale is a third year PhD student in the Faculty of Education, York University, and a member of the Borderless Higher Education Project in Dadaab Refugee Camp, Kenya. His work in Dadaab allows him to bring in: Ahmed Abdi, Abdikadir Abikar, Abdullahi Yusuf Aden, Arte Dagane, Fatuma Jama, Ochan Leomoi and Okello Oyat, who are all York University Masters of Education students studying in Dadaab, Kenya.

Ayanda Dube  
*Ayanda Dube came to Montreal as a youth refugee from Zimbabwe as a result of state endorsed violence. His story YUL-MTL -- speaks powerfully to his own personal experience of integration. Ayanda was an active participant of Mapping Memories and has spoken to classes and to youth groups about refugee rights and tolerance. He worked for years as a camp counselor at the YMCA and is currently a Master student of Political Science at Concordia University. [http://www.mappingmemories.ca/node/198.html.]*

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Gracia Dyer Jalea is an oral historian, educator, fundraiser and arts and culture professional. She worked for the Montreal Life Stories Project and co-authored Mapping Memories: Participatory Media, Placed-Based Stories and Refugee Youth. In 2012 she produced the Montreal Life Stories Rencontres, a series of 48 events that took place throughout the city to disseminate the life stories of newcomers and refugees to Quebec. The Rencontres included a year-long exhibit at the Centre d'histoire in Montreal. She is one of the Ward Museum's six founders and the founding executive director of the organization. In less than two years she has built partnerships with community members and over 15 institutional partners across the country.

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Claire Ellis is a doctoral student in Policy Studies (Migration Stream) at Ryerson University. She holds a B.A. in Sociology from the University of British Columbia and an M.A. in Immigration and Settlement Studies from Ryerson University. Claire serves on the Executive Committees of the Emerging Scholars and Practitioners on Migration Issues Network (ESPMI) and the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS). Her research interests include refugee and asylum policy, citizenship and political belonging, education and displacement, critical institutional theory, human rights, and state responses to irregular migration.
Thea Enns  
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Thea Enns holds a MSc in Migration Studies from the University of Oxford (2017), where she completed her dissertation on the complexities of Canada’s Refugee and Humanitarian Resettlement Program, focusing specifically on the shifting roles and responsibilities of refugee resettlement within Canadian communities. She was a co-researcher on the SSHRC funded project entitled The Social Inclusion & Private Sponsorship of Refugees in Ontario, has worked as a researcher at the Centre for Community Based Research, and is actively involved in refugee resettlement initiatives in Kitchener-Waterloo.

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Studied political science at the American University in Cairo, then graduated to teach English in a refugee school in Cairo for a year and a half. Worked afterwards for CARE International with Syrian and African refugee SGBV survivors. After deciding that I want to work in refugee assistance and have my own initiative, I went for my master's degree in International Development. Currently working at a local Egyptian NGO that empowers youth and promotes better employment opportunities for Egyptians. However, my passion remain to work someday in empowering refugee and migrant communities through providing education opportunities and capacity building.

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Adiba Fannana recently completed an MA in Sociology in the USA. She intends to explore the human rights violation against Rohingyas.

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*OCISO*

Ms. Farran is a protection specialist who has worked at global, country and sub-national levels with UNHCR and several international non-governmental organizations. Born into a persecuted religious minority in Lebanon, her childhood was greatly affected by war and discrimination. She decided to use her professional life as a safe space to express herself and help others. Ms. Farran’s areas of expertise include education, child protection and community support in emergencies; gender-based violence prevention and response; as well as the resettlement and integration of refugees, persecuted minorities, and other displaced people. In her current position as settlement counselor for vulnerable populations at OCISO, she provides needs assessments and referrals for refugees and newcomers, especially LGBTQIA+. Ms. Farran came to Canada as a refugee in April 2017.

Maya Fennig  
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An Israeli social worker and human rights activist, Maya Fennig is dedicated to pursuing engaged scholarship that supports the development of culturally responsive mental health services and policies that advance the well-being of refugees and marginalized people. Maya is currently pursuing a PhD at McGill University’s School of Social Work under the supervision of Dr. Myriam Denov. Her doctoral research examines the effects of social and cultural factors on Eritrean refugees’ mental health with the goal of developing a novel, culturally sensitive adaptation framework in partnership with refugees themselves.

**Erika Frydenlund**  
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Erika Frydenlund and Jose Padilla are Research Assistant Professors at the Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center (VMASC) at Old Dominion University who specialize in modeling and simulation. Their work has focused predominately on applications of M&S to understand forced migration issues. Michaela Hynie is a Professor at York University. Susan McGrath is Professor Emerita at York University. They are currently advancing initiatives to bridge the divide between forced migration scholars and computational modelers including simulationists and big data scientists. This workshop represents a part of their initiative to increase the ability of scholars to communicate across disciplines in order to co-create knowledge to advanced forced migration theory, policy, and practice.

**Stéphanie Gasana**  

Stéphanie Gasana is a Rwandan born, Ethiopian bred, Montrealer, based in Toronto. She has a background in communications and is currently working at a international non-profit. She is passionate about community engagement, education and migration issues

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Lorielle Giffin is a research assistant in the Department of Criminology, Ryerson University. She holds an MA in Criminology and Social Justice from Ryerson University. She presented her research on detention of migrants and on Indigenous justice in Canada in various conferences.

**Erin Goheen Glanville**  
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Erin Goheen Glanville, Ph.D. (McMaster University) is a SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow in the School of Communication and a Research Associate at the Centre for Policy Studies on Culture and Communities at Simon Fraser University. Erin’s current research is a knowledge mobilization project on the public discourse of contemporary forced migration dialogues in Canada and is done in partnership with Kinbrace Community Society. She runs community workshops shaped by her doctoral research on refugee fiction as pedagogy and has published chapters on cultural representations of refugees, refugee literary narratives, and diaspora literature in the context of globalization.

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Luin Goldring is a Professor of Sociology at York University. Her research interests include non-citizenship, citizenship and belonging; social inequality; immigrants and precarious work; and critical migration studies. Her current research examines the multi-level production and negotiations of precarious legal status, the “chutes and ladders” of legal status trajectories, and the long-term implications of precarious legal status for im/migrant incorporation and social inequality. She is co-editor, with Patricia Landolt, of Producing and Negotiating Non-Citizen Precarious Legal Status in Canada (University of Toronto Press).

Paola Gomez
SickMuse, Director, Canada

Paola Gomez is a trained human rights lawyer, community organizer, public speaker, artist facilitator, writer and dreamer. A member of PEN Canada's Writers in Exile and an advocate, Paola is involved in causes such as ending violence against women and forced migration. Her works integrate arts, community engagement and anti-oppressive frameworks. Paola is the co-founder and director of Sick Muse Art Projects. In this role, she has developed an innovative way of integrating conversations about identity, inclusion and community engagement into community art programs. Her work with refugee and newcomer communities have been greatly recognize in Canada, where she arrived as a refugee in 2004. Paola is the recipient of 2008 Amina Malko Award from the Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture for her work with refugee women, 2009 Vital People from Toronto Foundation for her community building initiatives, the 2016 Constance E Hamilton, Human Rights Award from the City of Toronto for her leadership in promoting the empowerment of women and the 2018 Champions of Change Award; excellence in the Arts from the Skills for Change.

Odessa Gonzalez Benson
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Dr. Odessa Gonzalez Benson is Assistant Professor at the University of Michigan Detroit School of Urban Studies and School of Social Work. Her areas of research are: refugee resettlement, refugee/migrant-led organizations, participatory approaches to urban governance with migrants, state-civil society relations, critical policy studies. Dr. Gonzalez Benson pursues transdisciplinary work integrating social welfare and community perspectives with refugee studies, particularly within the context of ‘new resettlement destinations’ and urban spaces. Her degrees are: MSW from Arizona State University, BA from the University of the Philippines and PhD in Social Welfare from the University of Washington in Seattle. Annie Taccolini is MSW candidate at the University of Michigan School of Social Work and Research Assistant with Just Futures: A Global and Transdiciplinary Research Team on Migration, Resettlement and Urban Studies. She is also policy analyst at a local resettlement agency in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Ms Taccolini has a BA from the University of Michigan.

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Graham Hudson is an Associate Professor in the Department of Criminology at Ryerson University. He researches in the areas of national security, irregular migration, sanctuary city policies, and legal pluralism. Graham is a member of several research teams, including the Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society’s SSHRC Partnership Grant (Co-Applicant) and a SSHRC Insight Grant on the intersection of security, irregular migration and asylum (Co-Applicant; Prof. Idil Atak, PI). He is also conducting a legal and empirical study of “sanctuary city” policy in Toronto (funded by the RBC Immigrant, Diversity and Inclusion Project), in collaboration with Drs. Idil Atak, Michele Manocchi, and Charity-Ann Hannan. Finally, he is studying the use of secret evidence in Canadian courts with Dr. Daniel Alati (funded by the Foundation for Legal Research).

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Since 2005, Dr. Ishrat Husain is engaged in teaching. He joined National Law University, Assam in 2015 as an Associate Professor. Criminal Procedure Code, Civil Procedure Code, and Equity and Trusts Law have been his subject of teaching. Dr. Husain is keenly interested in academics. He has written 25 research papers and articles in different Law journals, magazines and National Daily and presented 20 papers in various International and National conferences and seminars.

**Jennifer Hyndman**  
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Jennifer Hyndman is Professor in the Departments of Social Science and Geography, and is Director of the Centre for Refugee Studies at York. Her research focuses on conflict asylum and related human displacement, humanitarian emergencies, as well as refugee resettlement in Canada. Current research projects probe identity and politics in the Toronto Tamil diaspora after 2009; the conundrum of protracted displacement among Somali refugees in Kenya (with W. Giles); and refugee settlement among 'new and few' groups in British Columbia.

**Michaela Hynie**  
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Michaela Hynie has a wide-ranging program of community engaged research – in Toronto, and around the world. Her work ranges from broader issues such as newcomers’ access to care, the reintegration of prisoners into society, and access to health care for hospital patients without health insurance, to more specific issues such as understanding how to promote the well-being of nail salon workers. The common
thread through Hynie’s research is using social inclusion to make people’s lives better in collaboration with community partners, policymakers, and activist groups.

Jay Johnson  
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Jay is a PhD Candidate in Sociology from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). His dissertation looks at the relationship between urban politics and refugee law and policy in South African cities. He is a fellow at the Academy for African Urban Diversity (AAUD), co-hosted by the Max Plank Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (MPI-MMG), Germany and the African Centre for Migration and Society (ACMS), Johannesburg, South Africa. He has received an MA in Forced Migration Studies from the University of the Witwatersrand; an MSc in Global Politics from the London School of Economics; and a BA in Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Wilfred Dominic Josue is a licensed Integration Teacher by the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge / BAMF) working in the city of Rathenow in the State of Brandenburg. He finished his MA in Politics and German Post War History from the Freie Universität Berlin. Prior to coming to Germany he was a German Language Instructor in the Philippines. He finished his Bachelor of Arts major in Political Science from the De La Salle University - Manila. His research interests include Migration, Integration, Civic Education and social engagement of Migrants, German and European Post War History, Politics & Foreign Relations among others.

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Isaac Kalule (he/him) is a gay newcomer from Uganda. Soon after his arrival in Canada he lived in Kennedy House youth shelter for three months. Isaac utilizes his lived experiences of homelessness, trauma and depression to be empathetic and to advocate for homeless youth. He is very creative; he has produced video clips and has presented at numerous forums. While still waiting for his refugee claim hearing, he is working as a peer group mentor at Kennedy Youth shelter in Toronto.

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Kanwal Khokhar is pursuing a Master’s degree in Criminal and Social Justice at Ryerson University. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Criminology, with distinction, from Ryerson University. Kanwal’s research interests include immigration and human rights related topics. Specifically, she is interested in how changes in immigration policies in the United States influence Canada and immigration related discourse globally.

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Ranjith Kulatilake (he/him) is a gay immigrant from Sri Lanka. He left a university teaching career in architecture because of his sexuality. A homophobic incident caused him to leave his doctoral studies at a university in Toronto. While combating depression, he studied counselling and reinvented himself to work with LGBTIQ+ newcomers at a community health centre in Toronto. For this work, Ranjith received
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I have majored in Political Science and International Relations in Boğaziçi University; and now, I am an M.A. candidate of Turkish Studies Program in Sabancı University. My professional experience includes as a reporter in NTV for 4 months; as a project assistant at Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation (TESEV) for 4 months; and as a media planner for a year in Vivaki media agency; as a teaching assistant in Sabancı University for 2 years, as a research assistant in Okan University for 8 months. Currently, I am working as ‘Protection Officer’ of UNHCR funded project in ASAM that has been the largest civil society in Turkey.

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**Laxman Lamichhane**  
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Laxman Lamichhane is an Advocate from Nepal. He is interested in the field of forced migration, human rights, refugee rights, and peace building. He has been advocating for the just refugee regime in Nepal. He has attended many national, regional and international conferences relating to human rights, refugee rights and forced migration. He is also keenly interested in refugee politics and its impact on overall forced migration regime.
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Patricia Landolt is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Toronto. Her work examines processes of differential inclusion associated with global migration. She has conducted research on Salvadoran transnational migration, Latin American refugee political incorporation, racialized workers’ experiences of precarious work and income security, and the ways these intersect with precarious legal status. Her current research focuses on patchwork-access to schooling for precarious legal status students in two Toronto neighbourhoods. It is part of a broader conceptual interest in probation and the conditionality of noncitizenship.

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Jaime Lenet is a PhD candidate in the School of Social Work at McGill University, a hospital social worker in Ottawa, and a mother to two young children. Her doctoral research examines the experiences of former refugee claimants who have been removed from Canada. She holds an MSW, an MA in International Affairs and a BA in Political Studies and History. Jaime has previously taught courses in the Schools of Social Work at McGill and Carleton University.

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James (Thuch) Madhier is originally from South Sudan, where he lived until age 15 before relocating to a Refugee Camp in northern Kenya during the Sudanese civil war. He then came to the University of Toronto in 2014 through the World University Service of Canada’s Refugee Sponsorship Program where he also founded Rainmaker Enterprise. James has been highly involved in international cooperation and transformative social justice work, notably with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Alliance of Civilization (UNAOC), and European Union.

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**Amna Masood**  
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Amna Masood, Vice Chair of the WUSC York University Keele Campus Chapter. She is in her last year at York University, studying Political Science with a specialization in Public Policy and Administration. She has served for three years on the WUSC committee, including as an Administrative Officer and Student Refugee Coordinator (SRP).

**Joseph Mbalaka**  
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I am a student at the University of South Africa.

**Susan McGrath**  
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Elizabeth (Liz) Miller is a documentary maker and professor who uses collaboration and interactivity as a way to connect personal stories to larger timely social issues. Her films/educational campaigns on timely issues such as refugee integration and rights (Mapping Memories), climate migration and adaptation (The Shore Line) gender rights (En la Casa), water privatization (The Water Front) & environmental justice (Hands On) have won international awards, been integrated into educational curricula and influenced decision makers. Years of experience in community media and a background in political economics, electronic media art, and Latin American studies fuel her ongoing explorations of new media as art, advocacy, and as a catalyst for critical pedagogies. Liz is a Full Professor in Communications Studies at Concordia University in Montreal where she teaches courses in media production and research-creation.

**James Milner**  
*Carleton University, Political Science, Canada*

James Milner has been a researcher, practitioner and policy advisor on issues relating to the global refugee regime, global refugee policy and the politics of asylum in the global South. In recent years, he has undertaken field research in Burundi, Guinea, Kenya, India, Tanzania and Thailand, and has presented research findings to stakeholders in New York, Geneva, London, Ottawa, Bangkok, Nairobi, Dar es Salaam and elsewhere. He has worked as a Consultant for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in India, Cameroon, Guinea and its Geneva Headquarters. He is currently Project Director for LERRN: The Local Engagement Refugee Research Network, a SSHRC-funded 7-year collaboration between academic and NGO partners in Canada, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Tanzania and elsewhere.

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Dr. Rodziana Mohamed Razali is a senior lecturer at the Islamic Science University of Malaysia and an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya (Non-practicing). She was previously in the Malaysian Judicial and Legal Service and later studied for her Masters of Laws at the University of Melbourne. She earned her PhD from the National University of Malaysia in 2017. Her thesis is entitled “Protection against Statelessness at Birth: International and Domestic Legal Frameworks of ASEAN Member States with a Special Case Study on Kota Kinabalu, Sabah”. Currently she is attached to the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, McGill University (Sep 2018-June 2019) as a Steinberg Post-Doctoral Fellow in International Migration Law.

**Morsaline Mojid**  
*University of Hawaii at Manoa, United States*
I’m a Ph.D student in the University of Hawaii in the Department of Sociology. To pursue Ph.D degree, I’m currently in the study leave as an Assistant Professor in the Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology (AUST). I’m developing my research project on Rohingya refugee settlement and repatriation process in Bangladesh.

**Petra Molnar**  
*University of Toronto, Faculty of Law, Canada*

Petra Molnar is a lawyer in Toronto, Canada and an alumna of the IHRP (Juris Doctor 2016). She has worked on forced migration and refugee issues since 2008 as a settlement worker, researcher, and lawyer. Petra regularly shares her work domestically and internationally and writes about immigration detention, health and human rights, gender-based violence, and the politics of refugee, immigration, and international law. She is currently exploring the impacts of automated-decision making and artificial intelligence in Canada's immigration and refugee system on human rights, in a joint project with The Citizen Lab.

**Travis Moore**  
*York University*

A graduate student of York Development Studies, Travis' current research concerns the emergence of Naples, Italy as a sanctuary city for unauthorized migrants. He is interested in exploring the political inclusion of migrants as irregular citizens in the context of the city.

**Stefanie Morris**  
*University of Ottawa, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Canada*

Stéfanie Morris is a masters candidate at the University of Ottawa's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs. Her research interests include immigration, refugee and asylum law, policy and programs. She received her Bachelor's in Sociocultural Anthropology at Brigham Young University in 2016. She will be copresenting with Patti Lenard. Patti Tamara Lenard is Associate Professor of Ethics in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa. She is the author of Trust, Democracy and Multicultural Challenges (Penn State, 2012). Her current research focuses on the moral questions raised by migration across borders in an era of terrorism, especially as it pertains to refugees and irregularly present migrants, trust and social cohesion, and democratic theory more generally.

**Delphine Nakache**  
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Delphine Nakache is an Associate Professor at the University of Ottawa (Canada). She teaches courses in the areas of public international law, immigration and refugee law and human rights law. She has researched and published on issues related to the human rights and security-based implications of migration, citizenship and refugee laws and policies, both in Europe and Canada.

**Anh Ngo**  
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Anh Ngo’s main areas of scholarship and research focus on the experiences of immigrants and refugees in Canada, at both the individual and community level; social policy as knowledge production and its effects on the lived experiences of individuals and groups; critical multiculturalism and critical refugee studies; and, social change through community action and engaged scholarship.

Keith Nicholson  
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Keith Nicholson is a 2019 graduate of Mount Allison University, with an B.A. Honours degree in International Relations, with minors in French and Anthropology. He is from Florida, in the United States. He intends to continue his studies in graduate school after a year of interning in the area of social justice.

Maissam Nimer  
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Maissam Nimer is a sociologist working in the fields of migration, education, language, and social and gender inequalities. She obtained a PhD in sociology at Paris Saclay University in July 2016. In her thesis, she looked at the mechanisms of social and cultural selection that explain the inequality of access to higher education in Lebanon. Nimer’s current work at Koç University, Istanbul, deals with the integration of Syrian refugee youth in Turkey. She is the recipient of a one-year Koç University Seed Grant. She is also a committee member of the “Axe Migrations et Mobilités” at the French Institute for Anatolian Studies, Istanbul (AMIto, IFEA). Nimer teaches courses on the sociology of education and sociology of family at Galatasaray University in Turkey. Maissam holds an MSc from the London School of Economics and BS from the American University of Beirut.

Denis Njoki  
*Canadian Council for Refugees, Canada*

Dennis Njoki is a member of the FCJ Youth Network—a group of newcomer youth based here in Toronto. Since arriving in Canada, Dennis has been advocating for the rights of newcomer youth from a youth engagement perspective. In 2017, he had the opportunity to attend the Equitas training on Human Rights education and leading community Action projects. Dennis is currently one of the youth leaders for the Newcomer Youth Civic Engagement Project lead by the Canadian Council for Refugees.

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Rosemary Okoth (she/her) is an out and proud lesbian woman from Kenya and now a refugee claimant living in Toronto. She is interested in social anthropology. She has worked in organizations dealing with HIV/AIDS, women and girls in Kenya and has presented at different venues. Rosemary is currently pursuing postgraduate studies in Development Anthropology. She aspires to be a human rights advocate. Rosemary likes reading and travelling, and enjoys baking pastries. She is a big soccer fan who supports Manchester City FC.

Naima Osman  
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Naima Osman is a MSc candidate in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Simon Fraser University. Her graduate work is in medical anthropology. Naima seeks to understand how social, cultural, political and economic factors influence health and well-being. Her current thesis research follows Somali refugees with chronic illness as they move from a protracted refugee camp in Kenya to resettlement in Canada. Her familiarity with the language, culture and many years working in Canada with refugees enable a particularly fine-grained analysis of refugee health. She recently returned from Kenya after having completed 4 months of fieldwork.

Myriam Ouellet  
*York University, Canada*


Sunday Israel Oyebamiji  
*University of Kwazulu Natal, South Africa*

Oyebamiji, S.I. is a researcher and teacher; holds B.A. [Hons.] and M.A. degrees in History and Strategic Studies from the University of Lagos in 2006 and 2009 respectively. Currently, his thesis is under examination, Ph.D. in International Relations at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Member of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). His intellectual horizon has been broadened by his flair for writing and publication, in addition to participation in a number of outstanding conferences and workshops. His lecturing experience at the University of Lagos, Nigeria and University of Kwazulu Natal, South Africa has further enhanced his scholarly qualities.

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I am a PhD student at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto. I aim to understand how non-sponsored refugees perceive, live and resist integration to Canada through using participatory action research methods. My main focus is to explore how they reflect on their lived experiences, in particular their language learning journey, to identify the challenges and areas of need. I do also volunteer at various community organizations to provide advice and carry out workshops to facilitate the transition of refugees to a new life in Canada.

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Elke Winter is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Ottawa, a Fellow at the University of Konstanz’ Institute for Advanced Study "The Cultural Foundations of Integration" (in 2017-2019), and the research director of the thematic focus Migration, Ethnic Pluralism and Citizenship at the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research on Citizenship and Minorities (CIRCEM). Anke is a doctoral candidate in Sociology at the University of Ottawa. Anke’s dissertation research focuses on the mobility, integration and settlement patterns of highly-skilled migrants and the “mobile elites”. Previously, Anke graduated from Malmö University with an MA in International Migration and Ethnic Relations. Her master thesis was awarded the German-Canadian Studies Master’s Thesis Prize of the University of Winnipeg in 2014. She obtained her BA in Cultural and Social Anthropology and Scandinavian Studies from the University of Münster. Anke has researched and published on German immigrants in Canada, concepts of identity construction, home and belonging, citizenship in Germany and Canada, the media discourses in Germany and Canada surrounding the recent "refugee crisis", as well as the vulnerabilities of aging migrants.

Kerith Paul  
*Ryerson University, Canada*

Kerith Paul has worked in the non-profit and settlement sector for over 10 years. Prior to her involvement with RULSC, Kerith worked in a hospitality skills training program at the YMCA GTA, coordinated an Ontario program supporting Government-Assisted Refugees at the YMCA GTA, and then supported law school graduates, many internationally trained, in an innovative job placement program at Ryerson University. Kerith holds a Masters in Immigration & Settlement Studies from Ryerson University ('09) and in 2017 was awarded the Ryerson Make Your Mark Award for her work with the RULSC pan-university private sponsorship initiative. Kerith is also passionate about the outdoors and indigenous issues in Canada.

Madison Pearlman  
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Madison Pearlman highlights the grassroots, multi-faith efforts to create and maintain a fit-for-Winnipeg Private Sponsorship Model called 'Operation Ezra.' As a law student, she previously worked with the organizers and wrote an Op-Ed in the Winnipeg Free Press on the importance of private sponsorship and Operation Ezra, Madison has become familiar with the work of this group. She spent the summer after her first year in law school working with Dr. Shauna Labman on various private sponsorship research projects, co-authoring a journal article comparing and analyzing Canadian private sponsorship models, including the recent Blended Visa Officer Referred program. Madison holds a masters in refugee studies, which has provided her with a multidisciplinary background in refugee and immigration law and policy.

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Vince Pietropaolo, M.A. is the General Manager of Family and Mental Health Services at COSTI Immigrant Services, and also oversees the Refugee Mental Health Services. Vince works in program development and implementation in the areas of mental health, domestic violence, and problem gambling as well as provides culturally responsive counselling to individual clients.

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Geraldina Polanco is an Assistant Professor of Labour Studies and Sociology at McMaster University. Prior to joining McMaster, she was an Assistant Professor of Sociology and Legal Studies at the University of Waterloo, an Assistant Professor of Sociology at California State University, Northridge, and a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow at York University’s Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean. An expert in the fields of migration and work, her scholarship has contributed to knowledge in the areas of citizenship studies, work and employment, globalization, and gender and ethnic relations. She has published in venues like *Third World Quarterly* (2016), *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power* (2017), and the *Journal of International Migration and Integration* (2016).

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Morgan Poteet’s primary research focuses on belonging for Central American origin youth in Toronto. This work is published in the *Journal of International Migration and Integration* (JIMI) and *Canadian Ethnic Studies* (CES). His current research, funded by a SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant, is a retrospective study of the subjective experiences of integration, belonging and exclusion of the 1.5 and 2nd generation (children of) Central American immigrants and refugees in Toronto. Poteet is Associate Professor in Sociology at Mt. Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick, where he teaches courses on global migration, critical border studies, human rights, refugee studies, youth criminalization, and citizenship. He is past president of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies.
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**Fabio Martinez Serrano Pucci**  
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I have both a Degree and Master’s Degree in Social Science from Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo (PUC-SP), granted by São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP). From 2010 to 2013, I carried out a research project into xenophobia and prejudice against Bolivians in São Paulo. From 2014 to 2016 I did some research on housing conditions and access to social policies of Bolivians in São Paulo. Nowadays, I am doing a Ph.D. Course in Sociology, at Federal University of São Carlos (UFSCar), granted by FAPESP. In this project, I am researching the resettlement of Syrian refugees in São Paulo (Brazil).

**Kashmala Qasim**  
*York University, Canada*

Kashmala Qasim completed her undergraduate studies in Psychology from the University of Toronto and completed a Masters in Neuroscience from McMaster University. Kashmala has been a lecturer in the Department of Psychology at the Islamic Online University, and has also received Level 1 Pastoral Counselling training from the University of Toronto. She is now pursuing a Ph.D. at York University in Social Psychology. Kashmala's research interests include Socio-cultural challenges faced by the Muslim community in accessing mental health care, coping mechanisms used by Syrian refugees and developing an Islamic model of psychotherapy.

**Mohammad Azizur Rahman**  
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Aziz Rahman is a PhD candidate in the Department of Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Manitoba. His professional background includes research, consulting and community work. His dissertation thesis intends to explore refugees’ labor market outcomes and the factors associated with the economic integration of refugees in Canada.

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I am a professor in the Departments of Political Science, Economics and Community Development at Covenant College. My research focuses on the politicization of refugee issues in both developing and developed host states. I have particular interest in examining hate crimes and discourses of exclusion in relation to refugees and asylum seekers across diverse political and settlement contexts. I have completed fellowships at the University of Oxford’s Refugee Studies Centre and the Institute for Security Studies in Addis Ababa Ethiopia.

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Lex is a PhD candidate in International Development at SOAS, University of London, funded through a studentship from the Economic and Social Research Council. He holds an MPhil in International Relations and Politics from the University of Cambridge and a BA (Hons) in Politics with International Relations from the University of York, where he graduated with a starred first. His research interests focus on the aidnography of refugee protection and assistance, the governance of forced migration, the interaction between political scales, and the role of everyday practices in constructing and operating governance systems.

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Sean Rehaag is an Associate Professor at Osgoode Hall Law School, where he specializes in immigration and refugee law, human rights and legal process. He frequently contributes to public debates about immigration and refugee law, and he engages in law reform efforts in these areas. His academic research focuses on empirical studies of immigration and refugee law decision-making processes. He currently holds an SSHRC grant involving quantitative research using large data-sets to study extra-legal factors that influence outcomes in Canadian refugee adjudication. He is also pursuing research using experiments to help better understand how refugee adjudications make credibility assessments.

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Monica Reyes is a wife, mother, educator, and scholar. She lectures in the Writing & Language Studies department at The University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley. She is also a PhD candidate with Old Dominion University’s English Studies program where her dissertation focuses on how people seeking asylum compose their narratives within liminal spaces on the U.S./Mexico border. Her research interests include: literary and cultural rhetorics of travel narratives; postcolonialism; displacement studies; and rhetorical ecology research methods. Her work on travel writing has been featured in Watchung Review (2017), Coldnoon: Travel Poetics (2015), and is forthcoming in the anthology, Travelln’ Mama: Mothers, Mothering and Travel (2019).

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Myriam Richard is a M.S.W candidate at the School of Social Work at Université de Montréal. She is involved in the field of immigration, refugee and intercultural relations as a research agent, trainer and community social worker in academia and community-based organizations. She is interested in refugee people’s pathways in Canada and internationally from a transnational feminist perspective, and she is also devoted to participatory action research methods as well as inclusive social intervention practices. Roxane Caron is an Assistant Professor at the School of Social Work at Université de Montréal. She is interested in refugee experiences, especially the realities of women. She is currently the principal investigator of two research projects aimed at better understanding the migratory journey of Syrian refugees from Syria to Canada in a transnational and intersectional perspective. Her work is anchored in a qualitative approach, especially in ethnographic approaches as well as in postcolonial and intersectional realities.
Joseph Rikhof  
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Dr. Joseph Rikhof is an Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Law (Common Law), University of Ottawa. He is recently retired from Justice Canada's Crime Against Humanity and War Crimes Unit. He is one of the foremost authorities in the area of exclusion under Article 1F of the 1951 Convention and he has published extensively in the field of international refugee law.

Genevieve Ritchie  
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Genevieve Ritchie has worked as a community educator and campaign organizer in both Australia and Canada. She is currently working toward a PhD in Adult Education and Community Development at OISE/the University of Toronto. Her research investigates the relations that inform and constitute migration, race, gender, the politics of youth, community resistance, and education for activism.

Glenda Santana de Andrade  
*CRESPPA-GTM (Université Paris 8)/ IC Migrations, France*

Glenda Santana de Andrade is a PhD candidate in Sociology, attached to the Sociological and Political Research Center of Paris (Université Paris 8). Her research focuses on refugees, migration, citizenship, collective action and survival strategies, with a geographical focus on Middle East. In addition, she holds a master's degree in Political Science from the Panthéon-Sorbonne University (Université Paris 1) and a master's degree in International Politics - IPE from the University of Manchester. She is the author of *What kind of citizenship in refugee camps? Palestinians in Lebanon* (Quelle citoyenneté dans les camps de réfugiés ? Les Palestiniens au Liban, Paris, l’Harmattan, 2016).

Mary Rose Geraldine Sarausad  
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I am based in Thailand and work as a lecturer at the Asian Institute of Technology for more than 10 years. My research experience has evolved from several years of teaching and postgraduate research training in two of the most renowned institutes in Southeast Asia, focusing mainly on investigating trends in international migration within the Southeast Asian region and analyzing the experiences of migrants, particularly on Filipinos and Myanmar migrants in Thailand. My research areas of interest are international migration, labour market, population mobility, human rights and gender issues, and social protection. My doctoral research on contemporary Filipino migration in Thailand is a pioneering work, which highlighted the less-explored Philippines-Thailand migration system that has evolved for several decades and the persistence of unauthorized migration within the cities and at the borders of Thailand. My research activities and participation in international conferences and summer programs have provided me with a deeper knowledge of various issues, current discourses and analytical approaches. Moreover, I have presented research papers at several international conferences in Europe and Asia with funding support. My recent paper on irregular migrant workers in Thailand was presented in Geneva, Switzerland in July, 2015, and I was awarded the RDW Prize 2015 for Best Paper by a junior researcher. I have several publications online and in peer-reviewed journals.
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Department of Politics and Public Administration, Ryerson University

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Amanda recently completed her MA in Development Studies at York University, with a diploma in Refugee Studies. Her SSHRC-funded research is based in her fieldwork with displaced independent Eritrean youth in Cairo from May to August 2017, focusing on their livelihood strategies and agentic capabilities amidst their vulnerable situation. Prior to her MA, she worked as a Volunteer Legal Advisor, and in the Unaccompanied Youth Bridging Program, at Saint Andrew’s Refugee Services from February to July 2016. Since completing her MA in June 2018, she has been an International Youth Fellow with the Aga Khan Foundation, based in Cairo.

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Stephanie Silverman is a migration researcher and educator working at the intersections of law, society, ethics, and policy. She has experience working for and with governments, universities, front-line workers, and migrant community groups. Stephanie Silverman's sociolegal research on immigration enforcement focuses on detention practices in Canada, the US, and the UK. She holds a DPhil from Oxford, and two SSHRC grants and is also a partner at Thinking Forward: [https://www.thinkingforwardnetwork.org/](https://www.thinkingforwardnetwork.org/)

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**Amy Soberano**
*Access Alliance, Canada*

Amy Soberano is a Counsellor Therapist at Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services. Amy has a Master's of Social Work from the University of Toronto. Stemming from her education she developed a passion for working with newcomer populations, particularly youth and has worked on several research projects in this area.

**Rosa Solorzano**
*Canadian Council for Refugees, Canada*

Rosa Solorzano has been part of the CCR Youth Network for 7 years. She has been a youth leader and mentor of multiple youth projects to help raise awareness and create change to the many barriers newcomer migrant youth face in Canada. She is currently one of the co-chairs of the CCR Youth Network Core Group and a student at York University.

**Matthew Stevens**
*Lessons Learned Simulations and Training, Canada*

Matthew Stevens has worked with refugees and migrants in the Middle East, South America, and North America since 2008. Most recently, he served as a Project Director of the JRS Higher Education Project in Amman, Jordan, the Country Director of JRS Jordan, and as a consultant on Higher Education Programming with JRS MENA. Matthew’s academic interests focus on engagement with multiple perspectives in situations of displacement, communication between humanitarian organizations and refugee groups, and recognizing agency of people who are refugees. Since returning to Canada and establishing Lessons Learned, Matthew has become an expert in simulation-based learning methodologies to promote empathy and refine participants’ conceptualizations of complex systems. Lessons Learned is currently exploring the possibility of co-facilitation of this and other training events with individuals who have come to Canada via WUSC or other resettlement programs. However, the availability of a co-facilitator has not yet been confirmed.

**Stephanie Stobbe**
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Stephanie Stobbe, an Associate Professor in Conflict Resolution Studies at Menno Simons College (a College of CMU) at the University of Winnipeg, is a leading expert on Southeast Asian processes of dispute resolution. As an active educator, trainer, and ADR practitioner, she has worked and conducted research in Canada, United States, South America, Europe, India, Asia, and Southeast Asia.

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**Annie Taccolini Panaggio**  
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Annie Taccolini Panaggio works within both refugee and Unaccompanied Children systems as a policy officer and critic. She currently works for Bethany Christian Services’ Refugee and Immigrant foster care program, as well as alongside Dr. Gonzalez Benson on research through the University of Michigan’s School of Social work.

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**Sandra Trebunia**  
*University of Lincoln, United Kingdom*

Sandra Trebunia is a final-year PhD Social Work student at the University of Lincoln, United Kingdom. Sandra’s research examines refugee women’s experiences of settlement in Sao Paulo. She is particularly interested in exploring the potential of social work and social movements to support women during settlement in urban areas in a way that is sensitive to gender and culture and promotes their agency. Her research interests include: integration theories, feminist theories, agency, empowerment, postcoloniality and human rights. Before studying at Lincoln, Sandra worked as social worker in refugee camps in Poland and Belgium and volunteered in humanitarian project in Palestine.

**Jeanique Tucker**  
*University of Alberta, Canada*

I am a PhD in the Department of Political Science at the University of Alberta and my primary areas of study are Political Theory and Comparative Politics. In 2017 I completed my Master of Arts in Political Science at the University of Victoria. My thesis, “Moralizing Violence” focused on institutional violence trained on black and brown bodies. I was able to consider the accounts of refugees confined to camps and the kinds of structures facilitating, even encouraging, human suffering. My PhD research builds on this work but focuses on the structures and processes capable of relieving some of this suffering.

**Samuel Umoh**  
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Samuel Uwem Umoh is a lecturer, Department of History, University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa. He is also a tutor at the Department of cultural heritage and a field researcher for Tourism Kwazulu-Natal. He is PhD Scholar at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. His areas of interest are oral history, political
elites, culture, tourism, migration and higher education. Samuel has published numerous articles, chapters and co-authored books.

**Luna Vives**  
*Université de Montréal, Canada*

Luna Vives is an assistant Professor in the Department of Geography, University of Montreal. Her research focuses on the reinforcement of the Southern European border and the migration of unaccompanied migrant children.

**Lorne Waldman**  

Lorne Waldman (OC) is one of Canada's most influential legal counsel and an expert in immigration and refugee. He was the founding President of the Canadian Association Refugee Lawyers (CARL) and has represented clients at all instances of the refugee determination system including the Supreme Court of Canada. He has been the counsel of record on many famous Canadian court cases.

**Nancy Weisman**  
*Immigration and Refugee Board, Canada*

Nancy Weisman is a Senior Legal Counsel at the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. She has taught refugee law in various forums including at York University, where she earned her LLB at Osgoode Hall Law School. She has a number legal scholarly articles and book chapters on Canadian refugee law to her credit and has presented at CARFMS Annual Conferences on many occasions.

**Kira Williams**  
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Kira Williams is a research associate at University of Waterloo, instructor and researcher in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies at Wilfrid Laurier University, lecturer at the Balsillie School of International Affairs and employee for the International Migration Research Centre. Their research focuses on international migration, global governance, and analytical methodology. Kira recently completed and defended their PhD dissertation, which explored how states reconfigured spaces at sea to manage the movement of people and shift borders in the Central Mediterranean Sea. Their supervisor was Dr. Alison Mountz.

**Katya Yefimova**  
*University of Washington, United States*

Katya is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Washington Information School. Her research interests lie at the intersection of technology, social inclusion and design. She works with organizations to develop better programs for immigrant and refugee communities in Seattle, WA.

**Julie Young**  
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Dr. Julie E.E. Young is Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Critical Border Studies and Assistant Professor in Geography at the University of Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada. She holds a doctorate in Geography and a Graduate Diploma in Refugee and Migration Studies from York University. Her research program aims to better understand North America's borders in the context of broader global processes as well as what local practices tell us about where, how, and for whom borders work. Much of Julie's research to date has focused on how migrants and advocates in communities around the Canada-US and Mexico-Guatemala borders interact with and challenge those borders.

Russel Zinn  
*Federal Court (Canada)*

This panel will be chaired by Justice Russel W. Zinn of the Federal Court (Canada). Justice Zinn has been a member of the Federal Court (Canada) since 2008. Justice Zinn is the author of "The Law of Human Rights in Canada: Practice and Procedures." He is a member of the Immigration and Refugee Law Bench and Bar Liaison Committee and serves on the Governing Council of the International Association of Refugee and Migration Judges (IARMJ).

Jona Zyfi  
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Jona Zyfi is a doctoral student at the Centre for Criminology & Sociolegal Studies at the University of Toronto working under the supervision of Professor Audrey Macklin. She holds an Honours BA in Criminology with Minors in Ethics and Psychology from Ryerson University and an MA in Criminology from the University of Toronto. Jona's MA thesis explored the Safe Country of Origin provisions in the EU, and the counterpart Designated Countries of Origin regime in Canada. Her research interests include forced and irregular migration, the criminalization and securitization of asylum seekers, refugee protection and status determination, and the intersections of citizenship, belonging, state sovereignty/power and human rights. She is currently a research assistant for a project examining private refugee sponsorship from sponsor’s perspectives.