

# Racism, Rights, and the Responsibility to Protect: Re-imagining the Struggle for Equality and Justice for Refugees and the Forcibly Displaced

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29, 30, 31 May 2023

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## Program

<sup>\*</sup>Note that all coffee breaks will be held in front of Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D

<sup>\*\*</sup>Lunch is not being provided for CARFMS23. There are many food options on campus.

### May 29 2023

8:00am – 8:30am	Coffee and Registration
8:30am – 10:00am Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Welcome to CARFMS23  Hybrid: Opening Keynote Address – Enhancing Democracies and Right to Asylum through Immigration Policies and Programs – The Stories of Southeast Asian Refugees, (Stephanie Stobbe)  https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09
	(Open to all those attending Congress)  Announcement of the winners of the CARFMS Student Essay Contest – Julie Young, Assistant Professor, University of Lethbridge
10:00am – 10:30am	Coffee and Networking
10:30am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (6)
A1 Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Hybrid: The Potential and Limitations of Canadian Refugee Sponsorship Programs  Chair: Rachel McNally  https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09  • Dismantling exclusionary practices in Canada's Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program (Jess Howsam)  • Executive action and unequal access: Hurdles to refugee sponsorship in Quebec and the rest of Canada (Ian Van Haren)  • A Necessary Re-assertion of Government Resettlement (Adèle Garnier, Shauna Labman)
Ross South S104	Hybrid: Hostile Borders  Chair: Aziz Rahman  https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87994161456?pwd=a05USzM4cDlQQjVET1dKMjNld3pNQT09  Canada's evolving bordering scapes: Challenging everyday border practices to advocate for refugee inclusion (Giovanni Carranza-Hernandez)  Unjust Laws: the impact of the UK Hostile Environment immigration policy on international refugee protection system (Zrinka Bralo)

	The Hindutva politics: A glance at the BJP policies towards Rohingya refugees (Monika Verma – virtual presenter)
A3 Ross South S201	Panel: Photovoice, Documentary-Making and Participatory Video in the Age of TikTok: Emerging Digital, Visual and Participatory Methodologies in Refugee and Migration Research
Ross South S203	Panel: Canada's institutional landscape and the impacts on inclusion, exclusion and belonging (Bronwyn Bragg, Dechen Tenzin, Jennifer Hyndman, John Carlaw)
A5	Promoting Access to Education
Ross South	Chair: Andrea Snizynsky
S125	• Justice in the classroom: Countering the Intersectionalities of Exclusion through Access to Education (Tanya Aberman)
	<ul> <li>Understanding the Education of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in an Urban Setting: A Child's Perspectives (Jennifer Chinenye Emelife)</li> </ul>
A6	Protection and Resistance in Latin America
Ross South	Chair: Idil Atak
S205	<ul> <li>Unwilling or unable? Mexico's failure to recognized and protect refugees (Ruth Elizabeth Prado Perez)</li> </ul>
	• Justice for who(m)? International Refugee Law as a Site of Struggle (Veronica Oeverlid)
	<ul> <li>Border Externalization in Latin America: Brokering resistance in transit zones (Natasha Sofia Martinez)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Climate Change as a "Root Cause" of Forced Displacement and Systemic Violence from Central America and Mexico (Bernardo Bolaños)</li> </ul>
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch - Networking & Congress programming
12:15pm – 1:15pm	CONGRESS Big Thinking Keynote - Seeds of the future: Climate justice, racial justice, and Indigenous resurgence, Alanis Obomsawin
Accolade East- ACE 112 (Tribute Communities Recital Hall)	racial Justice, and indigenous resultenees, Mains Obolisawin

1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (4)
A7 Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Hybrid: Special Event: Photovoice, Documentary-Making and Participatory Video in the Age of TikTok: Emerging Digital, Visual and Participatory Methodologies in Refugee and Migration Research
	(Open to all those attending Congress.)
	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09
A8 Ross South S201	Hybrid Panel: Reimagining the Meaning of "Meaningful" Research in Migration and Refugee Studies through Art, Story, and Film: A Roundtable Conversation (Cyrus Sundar Singh, Fiorella Rabuffetti, Isadora Branco, Julianne Burgess, Lois Klassen - virtual, Stacey Haugen)
	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89466485574?pwd=K003aVpJbWFGa1lxT1dNNk5EN2FlQT09
A9	Panel: Rethinking Refugee Exclusion - International Refugee Law and
Ross South S205	International Criminal Law perspectives (Didem Dogar, Elies van Sliedregt, James C. Simeon, Maarten Bolhuis)
A10	Access to Healthcare during COVID-19 and Beyond
Ross South	Chair: Brian Dyck
S203	Migrant and Refugee Health during COVID-19 (Iman Ahmed)
	<ul> <li>Barriers to healthcare for refugees and asylum seekers: the case of Quebec and potential solutions (Genevieve Minville, Melanie Gagnon)</li> </ul>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Coffee and Networking
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Hybrid: Plenary on the Relationships between and among Indigenous Communities and the BIPOC Community as a whole and Newcomers
Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	- (Angele Alook, Christopher Kyriakides, Daniol Claire Coles, Idil Atak, Pablo Idahosa)
Hall CLH D	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09
	(Open to all those attending Congress)
5:00pm – 7:00pm	Described a Described
Scott Library, Second Floor	President's Reception

### May 30 2023

8:00am – 8:30am	Coffee and Registration
8:30am – 10:00am	Hybrid: Keynote Address – The Interplay Between International Refugee Law and International Criminal Law, (Elies van Sliedregt, Tilburg University) (Sponsored by CONGRESS) –
Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29lNFAwQ3FlZllmTi85U0FJQT09
	(Open to the public and all those attending Congress.)
10:00am – 10:30am	Coffee and Networking
10:30am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (6)
B1	Hybrid: Reconsidering Socio-Economic Integration
Ross South	Chair: Rachel McNally
S203	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84901253626?pwd=eG01S0NnYlZ6VGZueC9ZNjBSUHFFUT09
	Buyers, brokers and "big men": market institutional structures and social inequality among Sahrawi refugees (Arbie Baguios)
	National and Sub-National Politics and Refugee Socio-Economic Integration (Saja Al Zoubi - virtual)
	Restaurants and Resettlement: Cambodian Refugees Finding Success in the American Food Industry (Lilly Neang)
	Deskilling of Professional Refugees as a Violation of the Responsibility to Protect (Camelia Tigau)
	Gender, Race and Identity: Examining the Barriers to Protecting Refugees' Right to Work (Hamzah Aldoghmi)
B2	Legal Gaps in Protection
Ross South S201	Chair: Julie Young
	Ghost Citizens: Stateless Persons and Exclusions from Protection (Jamie Liew)
	Broad terrorist labels or crimes: slippery slope for asylum seekers     (Camille Marquis Bissonnette)
	How to Arrive Somewhere, Not Here: The Origin and Structure of Maritime Interdiction of International Migration in the Mediterranean Sea (Kira Williams)

	COVID-19 Exceptionalism and the Digital Divide in Refugee Claims Making in Canada (Amrita Hari, Cecelia White)
В3	Countering State Discourses through Feminist & Black Methods
Ross South 104	Chair: Rabindra Chaulagain
	<ul> <li>Querying 'policy' categories in Refugee Studies: Rendering visible the voices and practices of 'refugees' and 'sponsors' (Biftu Yousuf, Linn Biorklund Belliveau)</li> </ul>
	Toward Black Methods in the Study of Forced Displacement and Dislocation (Mariam Rashid)
B4	Hybrid: Geopolitics of Education for Peace Part I
Curtis Lecture	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09
Hall CLH D	(Anette Jiminez Marata, Julio Fonseca, Laura Perez Gonzalez, Luisa Iniguez Rojas, Marta Rosa Munoz Campos, Patricio Quevedo, Ranu Basu, Reynaldo Miguel Jiminez Guethon)
В5	New Methodologies in Forced Migration Research
Ross South	Chair: Brian Dyck
S205	Using AI to Open the Black Box of Human Refugee Adjudication (Sean Rehaag)
	<ul> <li>Democracy, Autocracy, and Refugees: Visualising the Tension between Political Regime Type and Refugee Protection (Min Ji Kim)</li> </ul>
	Whatsapp method approach in collecting qualitative data (Sarah Vuningoma)
B6 Ross South 125	Hybrid: IARMJ Inter-Conference Working Parties Process - Towards the Convergence of International Refugee and Migration Law and Practice (James C. Simeon, Judith Gleeson)
	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95029450184?pwd=TU5acGx3SWRXNEQ1N3RBcU13dDE0UT09
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch - Networking & Congress programming
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (7)
В7	Hybrid: Intersectional Perspectives on Integration
Curtis Lecture	Chair: Susan McGrath
Hall CLH D	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09

Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	(Barb Jackman, Judith Gleeson, Karen Drake, Maureen Silcoff, Rachel Bryce)
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Hybrid: Plenary on Human Rights and International and National Laws
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Coffee and Networking
Ross South S125	(Fatima Ahmed, Gemechu Abeshu, Zoha Salam, Christopher Kyriakides)
B12	Panel: Scoping Review of Racisms and Refuge
Ross South S205	(Anette Jiminez Marata, Julio Fonseca, Laura Perez Gonzalez, Luisa Iniguez Rojas, Marta Rosa Munoz Campos, Patricio Quevedo, Ranu Basu, Reynaldo Miguel Jiminez Guethon)
B11	Panel: Geopolitics of Education for Peace Part 2
	Rhetorical Commitments and Funding Realities in Dadaab, Kenya (HaEun Kim, Rachel Silver)
	Reconceptualizing Refugee Political Agency: Beyond Bare Life and Rohingya Refugee Stories (Nahian Salsabeel)
S203	Refugee Research In Context: Locating Refugee Experiences in an Open Access Resource (Amy Cran, Cassidy Ascione, Julie Young)
Ross South	Chair: Judge Judith Gleeson
B10	Refugee Agency in Research
Ross South S104	(James C. Simeon, Sorpong Peou, Stephanie Stobbe)
В9	Panel: The Right to Peace, Responsibility to Protect, and the Forcibly Displaced
	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84901253626?pwd=eG01S0NnYlZ6VGZueC9ZNjBSUHFFUT09
B8 Ross South S201	Hybrid Panel: The intersection of methodological and ethical quandaries from the perspective of research about and with Iranian queer refugees (Kamra Matin - virtual, Moira Dustin, Nilofar Shidmehr)
	The Central Capabilities to Wellbeing in the Context of Forced Migration: A Scoping Review (Areen Nassar)
	Re-imaging Canadian Citizenship: Decolonizing voices from refugee communities (Chizuru Nobe-Ghelani, Nadia Umadat)
	• Intersectional Marginalization and Newcomer Experiences in Rural Canada (Lars Hallstrom, Rachel McNally, Stacey Haugen)
	Intersectional exclusions in resettlement: Forced displacement and dis/ability in Germany and Canada (Michaela Hynie, Annette Korntheuer)

	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29lNFAwQ3FlZllmTi85U0FJQT09  (Open to all those attending Congress)
5:00pm – 6:00pm Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Hybrid: CARFMS General Meeting  https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29lNFAwQ3FlZllmTi85U0FJQT09
6:00pm – 8:00pm Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Passage to Freedom Documentary – English (Open to all those attending Congress.)

### May 31 2023

8:00 – 8:30am	Coffee and Registration
8:30am – 10:00am	Welcome to Day 3, Keynote Address: Strangers At Our Gate (The Honourable Lloyd Axworthy)
Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09
	(Open to all those attending Congress)
	Announcement of the winners of the CARFMS/LERRN Lived  Experience of Displacement Award – Julie Young, Assistant Professor,  University of Lethbridge
10:00am – 10:30am	Coffee and Networking
10:30am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (5)
C1	Hybrid: Personal Narratives in Asylum Processes
Ross South S203	Chair: Brian Dyck <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85852425111?pwd=aHIXbmJNR244RGNYd09qZGZPV1VGUT09">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85852425111?pwd=aHIXbmJNR244RGNYd09qZGZPV1VGUT099</a> 9

	<ul> <li>Asylum as a "performed social drama": cultural practices and institutional filters in the asylum determination process (Silvia Pitzalis - virtual)</li> </ul>
	Penetrating the impenetrable – Hong Kong male immigration detainees' asylum case narration and their interaction with immigrant-sorting authorities (Wing Yin Anna Tsui)
C2	Hybrid: Understanding Vulnerability in Diverse Contexts
Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29lNFAwQ3FlZllmTi85U0FJQT09
	Chair: Rachel McNally
	"I started to lose meaning in life": Understanding the vulnerability of asylum seekers and non-status migrants in Toronto (Idil Atak)
	<ul> <li>Vulnerability in the non-refoulement assessment under Art 3         ECHR: Enhancing or hindering equality in decisions on international protection in Austria (Monika Mayrhofer)     </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Rethinking States R2P as a continuum of care: SGBV targeting refugee women through the Lenses of Intersectionality, Matrix of Domination, Vulnerability (Tatiana Morais - virtual)</li> </ul>
C3	Rohingya Panel
Ross South S101	
C4	Gender, Sexuality, and Gender Identity in Refugee Claims
Ross South	Chair: Paulie McDermid
S205	Pathways to protection: intersectionality in women's claims for protection (Moira Dustin)
	Gender Identity Asylum Seekers in Ireland: A Critical Step for the Trans Liberation Movement (Rory Sugrue)
C5 Ross South	Panel: Cascading Lives: Policies of Moral Hazarding and Locating the Agentic "Back" within Internationalized Canadian Higher Education
S128	(Liujia Tian, Soma Chatterjee, Anwaar Baobeid, Vedanth Govi)
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch - Networking & Congress programming
12:15pm – 1:15pm	CONGRESS Big Thinking Keynote: Re-imagining Black Futures - The Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean
Accolade East- ACE 112 (Tribute	

Communities Recital Hall)	
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Sessions (4)
C6 Ross South S101	Chair:  • Toward Advancing the Best Interest of Child and Youth Rights in Migration: Assessing the Participatory Rights of Unaccompanied Minors in their Refuge (Dustin Ciufo, Isra Ahsan, Mehmood Kohistani)
	The unequal right to family: transnational refugee families' experiences of separation and reunification in Quebec/Canada (Myriam Richard)
	Refugee Youths, Mental Health Challenges, and Coping Strategies     (Chaltu Abeshu, Courtney Kupka, Akm Alamgir)
C7	Informal Protection: Cities and Social Networks
Ross South	Chair: Brian Dyck
S203	"Almost a City": Understanding and Planning for Refugee     Movement to the City Informed by the Context of Nairobi, Kenya     (Lawrenz Decano)
	The role of friendship in refugee protection (Lucy Fiske)
	Countering Persistent Alterity: Fostering Advocacy and Agency (Max Stephenson Jr.)
C8 Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Hybrid Panel: Ezokola v. Canada (Citizenship and Immigration) – Ten Years On From the Supreme Court of Canada's Judgement on Complicity in Crimes Against Humanity
	(James O'Reilly, James C. Simeon, Joseph Rikhof (virtual), Lorne Waldman, Nancy Weisman)
	https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29lNFAwQ3FlZllmTi85U0FJQT09
C9	Colonialism, Geopolitics, and Subaltern Agency
Ross South S128	Chair: Rachel McNally
	<ul> <li>Localization and subaltern power in the refugee regime (Megan Bradley, Merve Erdilmen)</li> </ul>
	State Interests and the Global Response to Forced Displacement: How Can We Move Forward? (Brian Gorlick)

3:00pm – 3:30pm	Coffee and Networking
3:30pm - 5:00pm Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Closing Plenary on Structures/Processes and Policies/Practices and the Intersectionality of Exclusion and the Continuum of Care – (Leora Gansworth, Michaela Hynie, Shauna Labman, Talayeh Shomali) <a href="https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09">https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98956077130?pwd=MkV6a29INFAwQ3FIZIImTi85U0FJQT09</a> (Open to all those attending Congress)
5:00pm – 7:00pm Curtis Lecture Hall CLH D	Passage vers la liberté – documentaire Français (Open to all those attending Congress.)