

**Centre for Refugee Studies: Annual Student Conference**  
**April 16 – 17, 2009**  
**York University, Keele Campus**  
**Toronto, ON CANADA**

DOCUMENTING THE UNDOCUMENTED: REDEFINING REFUGEE STATUS

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

**DAY ONE: Thursday, April 16, 2009**

Registration/Breakfast (Room 305, CRS, York Lanes Offices) 8:00am – 9:00am  
**(\*\*\*Free Fair Trade Coffee with your personal mug, courtesy Las Nubes\*\*\*)**

Plenary Session A: Broad Scope 9:00am – 10:30am  
Senate Chambers, Room 940, North Ross

NB: 15mins presentation & 10mins Q&A

*Canada's Undocumented: Regularization of "Nonstatus" Migrants, Historical Context and Present Dilemmas*  
**Anastasia Tataryn**, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

*Sexual Orientation, Torture and Uprootedness: Some Observations*  
**Ezat Mossallanejad**, Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture (CCVT), Toronto

*Toward an Understanding of Refugeeeness*  
**Guy N. Threlfo**, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia

*Internally Displaced Persons in Sri Lanka: Relationships between Self-Settled IDPs and Their Hosts in North and North Central part of the country*  
**Shantha Wanninayake**, Gothenburg University, Sweden

*Un/Convention(al) Refugees: Accounts of escape and exile from homophobic and transphobic persecution*  
**Sharalyn Jordan**, University of British Columbia, BC

Plenary Session B: Broad Scope 10:30am – 12:00pm  
Senate Chambers, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Vari Hall

NB: 15mins presentation & 10mins Q&A

*The Restrictions on Women's Rights to Freedom of Movement and the Grounds for the Refugee Status: the Case of North Korea;*  
**Jeewon C. Min**, University of British Columbia, BC

*Laissez-faire "ad-hocism" & Temporality: Rationalizing a Normative Framework for Iraqi Forced Migrants in the Arab world*  
**Tinenenji Banda**, Cornell Law School & Regional Human Security Centre, Amman, Jordan

*IDP Nation- Beyond Elections and Forced Migrations in Kenya*  
**Ruth Situma**, Vancouver Coastal Health, BC

*Making Airwaves, Using community radio to give voice to migrant workers, undocumented people and their allies in Toronto*  
Marco Luciano , Live-In-Caregiver Program, Toronto & Maya Shapiro, York University, Toronto

*Matter of S-E-G: A Gang-Related Case Impacting Particular Social Group Cases More Broadly*  
Lindsay M. Harris, University of California Berkeley School of Law, USA

LUNCH (Room 305, CRS York Lanes Offices) 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Opening Remarks and Keynote Address 1:00pm – 2:30pm  
Senate Chambers, Room 940, North Ross

Keynote Speaker: Francisco Rico-Martinez, Co-Director, FCJ Refugee Centre  
*Re-thinking human mobility, refugee and undocumented status*

FAIR TRADE BREAK 2:30pm – 3:00pm  
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Concurrent Session/Thematic 3:00pm – 4:00pm  
NB: 15-20mins presentation & 10-15 mins Q&A

Room 311 B, Student Centre: Statelessness  
*Humanitarian Statelessness? Examining the situation of individuals in immigration limbo in Canada*  
Monika Korolczuk, University of Toronto, Toronto

*In Need of a Place to Call Home – Refugee Claimants and Statelessness*  
Rosemary Legge, Settlement Worker, Matthew House, Fort Erie, ON

*The Emotive Statelessness Nature of Palestinians Living in the Middle East: A Critical Analysis*  
Noora Sharrab, York University, Toronto

Room 311 C, Student Centre: Sexual Violence, Counseling & Education 3:00pm – 4:00pm  
*Economic and Sexual Violence against Women and Girls: Analyzing the Intersection of Ethnicity and Internal Displacement in Kenya*  
Grace Nyamongo, York University, Toronto

*Counseling Refugees: Issues and Challenges*  
Ivana Djuraskovic, University of Calgary, Alberta

*Refugee Education and the Southern Refugee Legal Aid Network (SRLAN)*  
Maria Sian Lew, University of Buffalo, SUNY, USA

Room 315 B, Student Centre: Displacement I 3:00pm – 4:00pm  
*Ethnography of the Displaced: Interpreting the Tibetan Refugee Experience in India*  
Sudeep Basu, National Law School of India University in Bangalore, India

*Researching Internally Displaced Person(IDPs) in post-conflict Nepal*  
Tenzing Dekyikhangsar, York University, Toronto

*Palestinian Refugees: Displacement and Livelihoods*  
Lamya Hussain, York University, Toronto

*A Human Security Agenda: Strengthening Social Capital and Gender Empowerment for Women and Girls in Displacement Camps*  
Carlotta James, University of Toronto, Toronto

HARRAGA(Film) by Annika Lems & Christine Moderbacher  
Showing ALL DAY in Room 353B, CRS, York Lanes Offices

SOCIAL EVENT (The Underground, Student Centre) 5:30pm – 8:00pm

## DAY TWO: Friday, April 17, 2009

Registration/Breakfast (Room 390, CRS, York Lanes Offices) 8:00am – 9:00am  
(\*\*\*Free Fair Trade Coffee with your own personal mug, courtesy Las Nubes\*\*\*)

Concurrent/Thematic Sessions 9:00am – 10:30am

NB: 15 – 20mins presentation & 15-20mins Q&A

Room 311B, Student Centre: Refugees & Non Status

*Access Denied: The Lack of Services for Non-Status Individuals*

Erika Garcia, Davenport Perth Neighbourhood Centre & Chrissy Diavatopoulos, York University, Toronto

*Neoliberalism & Citizenship: The Case of International and Non-Status Students in Canada*

Ryan Hayes, University of Toronto, Toronto

Room 311C, Student Centre: Refugee Stories, Participation & Communication 9:00am – 10:30am

*Viewings from the Voiceless: Redefining Refugees through Participatory Communication*

Jacqueline Strecker, York & Ryerson Universities, Toronto

*Telling Stories: Zimbabwean Refugees in Canada and the IRB*

Andriata Chironda, University of Toronto, Toronto

Room C: Refugees: Labeling vs Humanitarian Affairs 9:00am – 10:30am

“Home Free”

Jessie Thomson, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada (DFAIT), Ottawa

*The Political Power of Definitions and Labels: The Impact on Refugees*

Melissa Stachel, University of Western Ontario

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Concurrent/Thematic Session 10:45am – 12:15pm

NB: 15mins presentation & 15mins Q&A

Room 311B: Migration & Migrant Workers

*The Historiography of Migration and the Collapse of Yugoslavia, 1991-1995*

Cameron Whitehead, University of British Columbia, BC

*Dubai Dreams: Negotiating Spaces of Exclusion; Interrogating Hierarchies of Entitlement through the Experiences of Female Migrant Domestic Workers*

Alisha Ticku, York University, Toronto

*City is a Sweatshop: a discussion*

Farrah Miranda & SK Hussan, Organizers, No One is Illegal, Toronto

Room 311C: Public Art & Photography 10:45am – 12:15pm

*Re-imagining Landscape, Re-defining Community: Public Art and its Role in Resettlement*

Irene Route, former graduate of Princeton University, USA

*The Walnut's passengers, photography and immigration policy*

Lynda Mannik, York University, Toronto

Room 315C: Displacement II 10:45am – 12:15pm

*Looking beyond the Façade: Exploring the complexity of the Forces behind the Global Internal Displacement- Nigeria as a Model*

Ayodeji N. Otit, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

*Displacing Place: A Discourse analysis of International Refugee Law*

Serina Zapf, University of Victoria, BC

*The Plight of Environmentally Displaced Persons: Responding to Their Needs in the Context of Canadian Refugee and Immigration Law*

Gowry Sivapathasundaram, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

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Plenary Session B: Broad Scope 1:15pm – 2:45pm

Senate Chambers, Room 940, North Ross

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*The Exclusion of Innocent Victims of Civil War from the 1951 Convention and Canadian Refugee Policy*

Natalie Perryman, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

*Environmental Displacement: special Reference to sub-Saharan Africa*

Qasim Hersi Farah, Independent Environmental Displacement Specialist, Toronto

FAIR TRADE BREAK 2:45pm – 3:00pm

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Closing Remarks and Keynote Address 3:00pm – 5:00pm

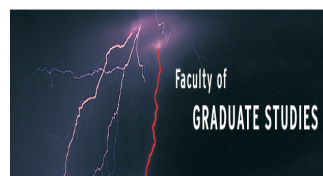
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Closing Keynote Speaker

Prof. Laura Westra PhD, Phd (Law) Professor Emerita (Philosophy) University of Windsor

*Climate and Ecological Refugees: Beyond the 1951 Convention on the Status of Refugees*

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