

## SUMMER COURSE 2024 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

*\*Please note this schedule is preliminary and subject to change as we confirm with our speakers\**

We are curating a lively course that will bring together leading policy makers, adjudicators, researchers, refugees, and NGO actors together from across the world, to share varied perspectives and encourage course participants to share their experiences throughout our week together.

### **June 3<sup>rd</sup>: Day 1**

#### **INTRODUCTION AND STATE OF THE FIELD**

MORNING

##### **9:00-10:30am: Welcome and introductions!**

[Simon Wallace](#), Refugee Lawyer and PhD Candidate, Osgoode Hall Law School

[Petra Molnar](#), Associate Director, Refugee Law Lab and Faculty Associate, Berkman Klein Center, Harvard

##### **9:30 – 10:30am: Year in Review: Migration trends globally**

[Ethel Tungohan](#), York University

Coffee Break

##### **10:45 – 12:15pm: Year in Review: Border Technologies**

[Lucia Nalbandian](#), Research Affiliate CERC In Migration and Integration, Toronto Metropolitan University

Lunch

AFTERNOON

##### **1:15-2:45pm: Interactive session**

Discussion in small groups the two “state of the union talks” and present back on developments in your field

##### **3:00-4:30pm Interactive session: Intro to machine learning and AI**

[Simon Wallace](#), Refugee Lawyer and PhD Candidate, Osgoode Hall Law School

**Evening Keynote 1** (Downtown Toronto)

### **June 4<sup>th</sup>: Day 2**

#### **THE SHARP EDGES: Border Technologies, Spyware, and Digital Discrimination**

MORNING

**9:00-10:30am: “Nothing About Us Without Us:” Panel with the [Migration and Technology Monitor Fellows](#)**

Wael Qarssifi, Syrian journalist examining surveillance of migrants in Malaysia  
Nery Santaella, Venezuelan refugee and the Director of Voices Of Venezuela  
Simon Drotti, a Data Analysis, Graphics and UX Designer, and a refugee in Uganda  
Rajendra Paudel, a returnee migrant worker from Saudi Arabia and UAE  
Veronica Martinez, multimedia reporter from the frontier of the US/Mexico border  
In conversation with [Petra Molnar](#)

Coffee Break

**10:45 – 12:15pm: Panel on tech-in-use and discriminatory impacts in the Majority World**

Mariam Jamal, lawyer and project officer with [Haki na Sheria](#), Kenya  
Mona Shtaya, researcher with the [Middle East Institute](#)  
[Aapti Institute](#), Bengaluru, India

AFTERNOON

**1:15-2:45pm: Panel on border surveillance and regulation**

Civil society representatives from the US, Mexico, and EU  
[Derya Ozkul](#), Warwick University and Oxford University

**3:00-4:30pm: Panel on spyware and targeting of human rights defenders**

[Nana Mgbechikwere Nwachukwu](#), lawyer and Affiliate with Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society, Harvard  
[Florian Schmitz](#), journalist with Deutsche Welle  
In conversation with [Petra Molnar](#)

**June 5<sup>th</sup>: Day Three**

**DOWNTOWN SITE VISITS**

*We will start this day slightly later to accommodate travel downtown*

We are currently formalizing in-person visits to leading organizations who work on the intersection of spyware and human rights, and the [FCJ Refugee Centre](#), a leading migrant justice and service provision organization in Canada.

We will have the chance to visit these spaces and will have lunch together in downtown Toronto.

**Evening (Downtown Toronto):** Book Launch event for [The Walls Have Eyes: Surviving Migration in the Age of Artificial Intelligence](#) by Petra Molnar (May 2024)

**June 6<sup>th</sup>: Day Four**

## **HELPING TOOLS: How can technologies strengthen refugee protection?**

MORNING

**9:00-10:30am:** Government representatives and reflections from various jurisdictions

Coffee

**10:45 – 12:15pm:** Perspectives from the UN's High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)  
[Hovig Etyemezian](#), Head of Innovation Service · UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency  
[Rebeca Moreno Jimenez](#), Innovation Officer and Lead Data Scientist, UNHCR

Lunch

AFTERNOON

**1:15-2:45pm: Tools for critical research in migration and tech**

[Sean Rehaag](#), Director of the Centre for Refugee Studies and the Refugee Law Lab  
[Asta Sofie Stage Jarlner](#), PhD Fellow, Center of Excellence for Global Mobility Law,  
University of Copenhagen

Coffee

**Evening Keynote 2** (Downtown Toronto)

**June 7<sup>th</sup>: Day 5**

**FUTURES: How Do We Build a Different World?**

MORNING

**9:00-10:30am: Panel on how new technologies can deliver services to refugees and people-on-the-move**

[Craig Damian Smith](#), [Pairity](#)  
[Jen McIntyre](#), Canada-US Border Rights Clinic  
[Elisa Ertl](#), [Re:Match Project](#), Germany and Canada, using algorithms for refugee resettlement

Coffee

**10:45 – 12:15pm Panel: Data Governance and Law Making**

[Younes Ahouga](#), research fellow, CERC in Migration and Integration, TMY  
[Zainab Ziaie](#), lawyer specializing in algorithmic decision-making in Canada's immigration system  
[Will Tao](#), lawyer specializing in algorithmic decision-making in Canada's immigration system

Lunch

AFTERNOON

Coffee

**3:00-4:30pm:** Interactive wrap up session and visioning

Led by [Petra Molnar](#)