**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 3rd: 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

*5:00-6:30pm Evening Keynote 1 and Reception: Texas House of Representatives Mary Gonzales*  
Representative Mary E. González is currently serving her sixth term in the Texas House of Representatives, where was elected in November 2012, to represent House District 75 — an area that encompasses much of eastern El Paso County. Mary has authored numerous bills to improve public schools, increase economic development, and support agriculture in District 75 and throughout Texas. She is Vice Chair of the House Appropriations Committee and serves on the House Higher Education Committee. Mary chairs the Texas House LGBTQ Caucus and is Treasurer of the Information Technology Caucus.
June 4th: 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
   Mizue Aizeki, Surveillance Resistance Lab
   Santiago Narvaez, R3D
   Laura Bingham, Temple University, Institute for Law, Innovation and Technology
   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 Deutche Welle
   In conversation with Petra Molnar

5:00-6:30pm Evening Keynote 2 and Reception: Nanjala Nyabola
   Nanjala Nyabola is a political analyst, activist, and writer based in Nairobi, Kenya, including books such as Travelling While Black: Essays Inspired by a Life on the Move. Ms Nyabola writes extensively about African society and politics, technology, international law, and feminism. She recently authored a report called Digital Identities and Border Cultures with the Atlantic Council

June 5th: 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.

**June 6th: 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 student, University of Copenhagen

Coffee

3:00

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

**June 7th: 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, Parity
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  
1:15-2:45pm: Interactive wrap up session and visioning  
Led by Petra Molnar