

Online International Workshop on Refugees and Displacement to Mark 70 Years to the UN Refugee Convention 25-27 March 2022

The workshop is organized by the Refugee Studies Initiative at Stockton University, in collaboration with the Institute for Holocaust, Genocide, and Memory Studies at University of Massachusetts, Amherst; the Martin-Springer Institute at Northern Arizona University; the Center for the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide, and Crimes Against Humanity at the Graduate Center – City University of New York; and the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at Stockton University.

The workshop aims to create a discussion across disciplinary and professional boundaries among scholars, educators, activists, and artists on several key issues, questions, and problems in studying, teaching, and engaging inside and outside academia with displacement and refugees. Each participant has sent a short paper (5-7 pages, including visual material) for pre-circulation and is prepared to talk for around 10 minutes. We will thus be able to devote in each panel a bit more than an hour for discussion. This format should help us carry our discussions from one session to the next.

For participants' bios and further information about the workshop, please visit the workshop website: <https://stockton.edu/refugee-studies/workshop-2022.html>

All times in the program are in EDT.

Friday, 25 March

10:00-11:45am: panel 1: Protection Gaps: Politics, Law, and Activism

Moderator: Daniel Moscovici, Stockton University

“Climate Refugees” and the Refugee Convention: Addressing the Protection Gap

Sumudu Atapattu, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Re-humanizing People in Motion through the Refugee Convention: Pro-refugee Narratives as Human Rights Discursive Practice

Alex Otieno, Arcadia University and University of Pennsylvania

Queer and Trans Displacement, Pandemic Politics, and Racialized Borders

Jamila Hammami, The Graduate Center – CUNY

1:00-2:45pm: panel 2: Identities in Displacement

Moderator: Raz Segal, Stockton University

Identities in Displacement: The Palestinians

Faedah M. Totah, Virginia Commonwealth University

Negotiating Resettlement through Kinship – Perspectives from the American Revolution

Kameika Murphy, Stockton University

Countering the Unholy Alliance: Notes on Religion, Identity, Displacement

Björn Krondorfer, Northern Arizona University

Saturday, 26 March

10:00-11:45am: panel 3: Teaching Refugees, Teaching about Refugees, Learning from Refugees

Moderator: Jordan Corson, Stockton University

Teaching Borders: Experiential Education and the Production of Knowledge with Empathy

Leah Mundell & Robert Neustadt, Northern Arizona University

Re-Imagining the Role of Schools as Sites of Reception and Education

Adam Strom, Re-Imagining Migration

1:00-2:45pm: panel 4: State Violence and Internal displacement

Moderator: Robert Gregg, Stockton University

Internally Displaced People due to Conflict in Mexico

Matthew Hone, Stockton University & Yael Siman, Iberoamericana University

State Violence and Internal Displacement in India

Sanjeevini Badigar Lokhande, University of Pennsylvania

Displacement in Northern Ireland during the "Troubles": Integrating Experiences of Police Officers with Separation from Home and Community into Security Narratives

Jess Bonnan-White, Stockton University

Sunday, 27 March

10:00-11:45am: panel 5: International Advocacy and Aid, Past and Present

This panel discusses two exhibition projects on Jews displaced in Europe after World War II and the Holocaust, within the broader context of humanitarian aid from the period of World War I and the Armenian genocide to the current crisis in Europe of Ukrainians fleeing the Russian attack on their country.

Exhibit: “After the End of the World: Displaced Persons and Displaced Persons Camps,” created by the United Nations Department of Global Communications, UN Archives and the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research in New York. Scholar advisor: Professor Debórah Dwork, Center for the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide, and Crimes Against Humanity at the Graduate Center—CUNY. Sponsored by the Refugee Studies Initiative and the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at Stockton University.

South Jersey Holocaust Survivor Digital Exhibition and Archive, a project of the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at Stockton University.

For more information on the exhibits, see: <https://stockton.edu/refugee-studies/workshop-2022.html>

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After the End of the World: Displaced Persons and Displaced Persons Camps

Tracey Petersen, The Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme,
Department of Global Communications & Debórah Dwork, Center for the Study of
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CUNY

Experiences of Holocaust Survivors from South Jersey in Displaced Persons Camps

Michael Hayse & Gail Rosenthal, Stockton University

Ottoman-Armenian Refugees in the Caucasus during the First World War and the Armenian Genocide

Asya Darbinyan, Northern Arizona University

Forced Migration in the Carpathian Region in Ukraine after World War II and Today

Pavlo Khudish, Uzhhorod National University, Ukraine

1:00-2:45pm: panel 6: Images and Voices of Refugees in Photojournalism and Art

Moderators: Mariana Smith & Ryann Casey, Stockton University

“We demand for a peaceful place to live”: Photojournalists Reporting Refugee Crises in Europe and Colombia, 2015-2022

Fátima Martínez, Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia

Art as a Form of Protest

Ada Trillo, Photographer

3:15-4:15pm: Concluding Discussion