

Migration and Human Rights in the North American Corridor: Dilemmas, Contradictions, and Challenges

October 12-13, 2007
The University of Chicago
Social Science Research Building Room 305
1126 East 59th Street

Friday, October 12

- 8:00 - 9:00 Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 - 9:15 Welcome
Dain Borges, University of Chicago
- 9:15 - 9:30 Opening Remarks – “Why Human Rights? Bridging the Gap between Migration Research and Human Rights”
Susan Gzesh, University of Chicago
- 9:30 - 10:15 Keynote Address – “Globalization and New Migration Trends: The American, Mexican and Central America in the International Context”
Douglas Massey, Princeton University
- 10:15 - 10:40 Break

10:40 - 12:30 Panel 1: Causes, Conditions, Cases in Countries of Origin

Panel Chair: **Andreas Feldmann**, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

- 10:40-11:00 “Crisis del campo en México y migración internacional”
Rodolfo García Zamora, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas
- 11:00-11:20 “Migration in Post Conflict Societies: The Central American Case”
Katharine Andrade-Eekhoff, Universidad Centroamericana, El Salvador
- 11:20-11:40 “The Low Road to the North: How Suppression of Wages, Worker Rights and Union Democracy Contributes to Mexico-U.S. Migration”
Benjamin Davis, AFL-CIO
- 11:40-12:00 “Violations of Economic and Social Rights as Push Factors Fomenting Migration”
Alejandra Ancheita, Proyecto de Derechos Económicos, Sociales, y Culturales, México
- 12:00-1:00 Discussion
- 1:00-2:30 Lunch

2:30 - 4:30 Panel 2: Migrants in Transit and Crossing Borders

Panel Chair: **Jorge Durand**, Universidad de Guadalajara

- 2:30-2:50 “Coyotaje and the Discourse of Clandestine Migration: Distinctions between Personal, Structural, and Cultural Violence”
David Spener, Trinity University

2:50-3:10	“Changes in the pattern of Central American migration to the U.S.: new routes, actors, and dilemmas” Rodolfo Casillas, Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, México
3:10-3:30	“Due Process and Detention Practices in the North American Corridor” Beth Lyon, Villanova University
3:30-4:30	Discussion

Saturday, October 13

9:00 - 10:00	Continental Breakfast
10:00 - 10:15	Opening “Migration in Latin America: Reflection on Sovereignty, Weak States and Migration” Emilio Kourí, University of Chicago
10:15 - 11:00	Keynote Address – “Human Rights and Migration: The Missing Link” Bimal Ghosh, International Organization for Migration, Switzerland
11:00 - 11:20	Break

11:20 - 1:30 Panel 3: Migrants in their Countries of Destination

Panel Chair : **Susan Gzesh**, University of Chicago

11:20-11:40	“The Participation of Mexican Hometown Associations (HTAs) in Immigrant Rights Advocacy: New Trends and Challenges in the Chicago Metropolitan Area” Xochitl Bada, University of California Santa Cruz
11:40-12:00	“Title TBA” Patrick Taran, International Labor Organization
12:00-12:20	“Mortandad en la frontera” Jorge Durand, Universidad de Guadalajara Andreas Feldmann, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
12:20-1:30	Discussion
1:30-3:00	Lunch

3:00 - 4:00 Responses from the Advocacy Community: Bridging the Gap

Chair: **Susan Gzesh**, University of Chicago

Maricela García, Latinos Unidos
Oscar Chacón, National Alliance of Latin American & Caribbean Communities
Patricia Zamudio, Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social