

DePaul Migration Collaborative

Advocating for Justice, Educating for the Future

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Monthly Newsletter

Note: This is our last newsletter of the year, we want to wish everyone a wonderful summer! Be sure to stay connected and keep an eye on our social media for updates on upcoming programs and end-of-year events.

WHO WE ARE: The DePaul Migration Collaborative engages scholars, practitioners, students and alumni to find solutions to society's most pressing problems in the areas of migration, mobility and human rights.

Events

Events

June 3rd, 2025 @ 1:30pm Filling in the Gaps: Faith Based Housing Beyond City Services

RSVP: [HERE](#)

June 5th, 2025 @11am Chicago to Vienna: Comparative Housing and Food Justice for Forced Migrants

RSVP: [HERE](#)

June 24, 2025 @10am Vienna to Chicago: Comparative Housing and Food Justice for Forced Migrants

RSVP: [HERE](#)

Non-DMC Events

May 18th, 2025 @6:30pm Haymarket Presents: Silky Shah on *Unbuild Walls: Why Immigrant Justice Needs Abolition*.

RSVP and Learn More: [HERE](#)

June 17th 2025 @12 to 1pm "Solidarity with Refugees" World Refugee Day Chicago Advocacy Event

Location: Daley Plaza 50 W Washington St. Chicago IL 60602

June 21st, 2025 @9am to 4pm World Refugee Day Chicago Celebration

Location: Foster Beach Park, 5200 N Lake Shore Dr. Chicago, IL 60640



Upcoming DePaul Migration Collaborative Events

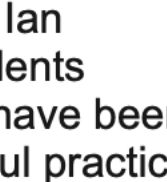
Hybrid Events, Food Provided

FILLING IN THE GAPS: FAITH BASED HOUSING BEYOND CITY SERVICES

Join the DePaul Migration Collaborative and hear from Practitioner in Residence Charlotte Long as she shares her research findings and invites you to hear about the ways in which informal faith networks have worked to fill in the gaps of housing for recent arrivals. Discover key insights, challenges, and potential future directions in faith-based housing solutions. Drawing from a qualitative study of 20 diverse faith-based networks, spanning dozens of communities who often assist in housing one family at a time, this event explores how these groups operate without steady funding or formal support, what housing models they've found effective, and the role they play in Chicago's migrant housing landscape.

Tuesday, June 3 2025
1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Lincoln Park DePaul Library,
1st floor Room JTR 103

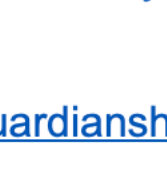


CHICAGO TO VIENNA: COMPARATIVE HOUSING AND FOOD JUSTICE FOR FORCED MIGRANTS

When we think of human rights, we don't always think of food and housing—but these are essential rights for all, including refugees and asylum seekers. Are the meals forced migrants receive nutritious, affordable, and sufficient? Is their housing safe, stable, and close to what matters—work, services, and community? How do these realities compare between Chicago and Vienna? Join the DePaul Migration Collaborative for a presentation of research from Practitioner in Residence Josi Friedman. Be the first to hear research insights on the right to food and housing for refugees in both cities, highlighting what's working, where challenges remain, and how we can do better. We invite the DePaul community and beyond to hear our findings, ask questions, and help imagine a more just future.

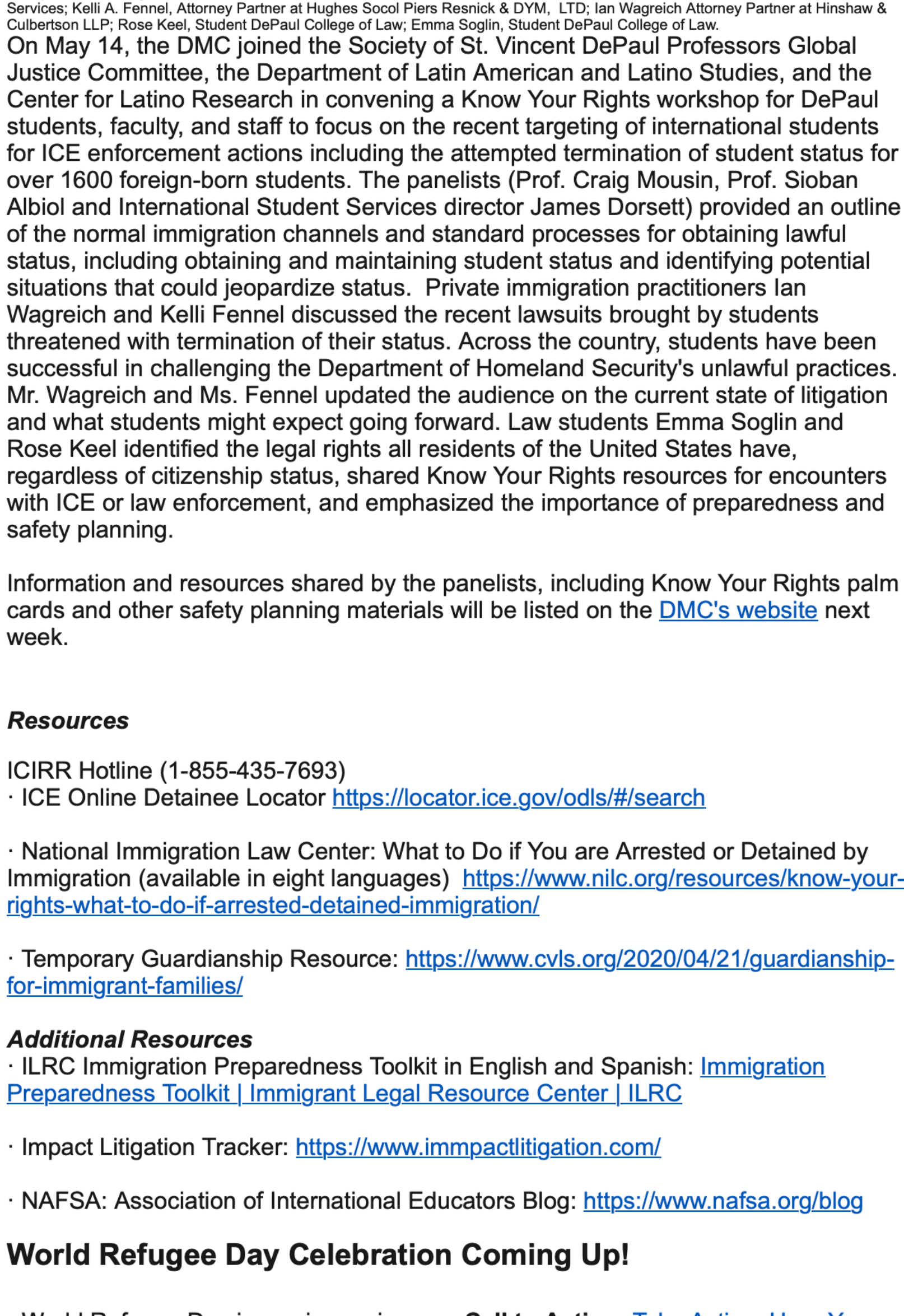
Tuesday, June 5 2025
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

DePaul Center, Room 8002



News

Professors, Students and Attorneys Come Together to Share Know Your Rights Information with the DePaul Community.



Left to Right: Craig Moulin, Moderator Adjunct Professor, DePaul College of Law; Sioban Albiol Professor of Legal Practice and Director of Asylum and Immigration Law Clinic and Co-Director of the DMC; James Dorsett, Director of International Student and Scholar Services; Kelli A. Fennel, Attorney Partner at Hughes Socol Piers Resnick & DYM, LTD; Ian Wagreich Attorney Partner at Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP; Rose Keel, Student DePaul College of Law; Emma Soglin, Student DePaul College of Law.

On May 14, the DMC joined the Society of St. Vincent DePaul Professors Global Justice Committee, the Department of Latin American and Latino Studies, and the Center for Latino Research in convening a Know Your Rights workshop for DePaul students, faculty, and staff to focus on the recent targeting of international students for ICE enforcement actions including the attempted termination of student status for over 1600 foreign-born students. The panelists (Prof. Craig Moulin, Prof. Sioban Albiol and International Student Services director James Dorsett) provided an outline of the normal immigration channels and standard processes for obtaining lawful status, including obtaining and maintaining student status and identifying potential situations that could jeopardize status. Private immigration practitioners Ian Wagreich and Kelli Fennel discussed the recent lawsuits brought by students threatened with termination of their status. Across the country, students have been successful in challenging the Department of Homeland Security's unlawful practices. Mr. Wagreich and Ms. Fennel updated the audience on the current state of litigation, and what students might expect going forward. Law students Emma Soglin and Rose Keel identified the legal rights all residents of the United States have, regardless of citizenship status, shared Know Your Rights resources for encounters with ICE or law enforcement, and emphasized the importance of preparedness and safety planning.

Information and resources shared by the panelists, including Know Your Rights palm cards and other safety planning materials will be listed on the [DMC's website](#) next week.

Resources

ICIRR Hotline (1-855-435-7693)

· ICE Online Detainee Locator <https://locator.ice.gov/odls/#/search>

· National Immigration Law Center: What to Do if You are Arrested or Detained by Immigration (available in eight languages) <https://www.nilc.org/resources/know-your-rights-what-to-do-if-arrested-detained-immigration/>

· Temporary Guardianship Resource: <https://www.cvlis.org/2020/04/21/guardianship-for-immigrant-families/>

Additional Resources

· ILRC Immigration Preparedness Toolkit in English and Spanish: [Immigration Preparedness Toolkit](#) | [Immigrant Legal Resource Center](#) | [ILRC](#)

· Impact Litigation Tracker: <https://www.immpactlitigation.com/>

· NAFSA: Association of International Educators Blog: <https://www.nafsa.org/blog>

World Refugee Day Celebration Coming Up!

World Refugee Day is coming up in Chicago this June. Join the celebration by attending the events organized by WRD Chicago. Come meet other advocates, celebrate culture, and support refugee programming.

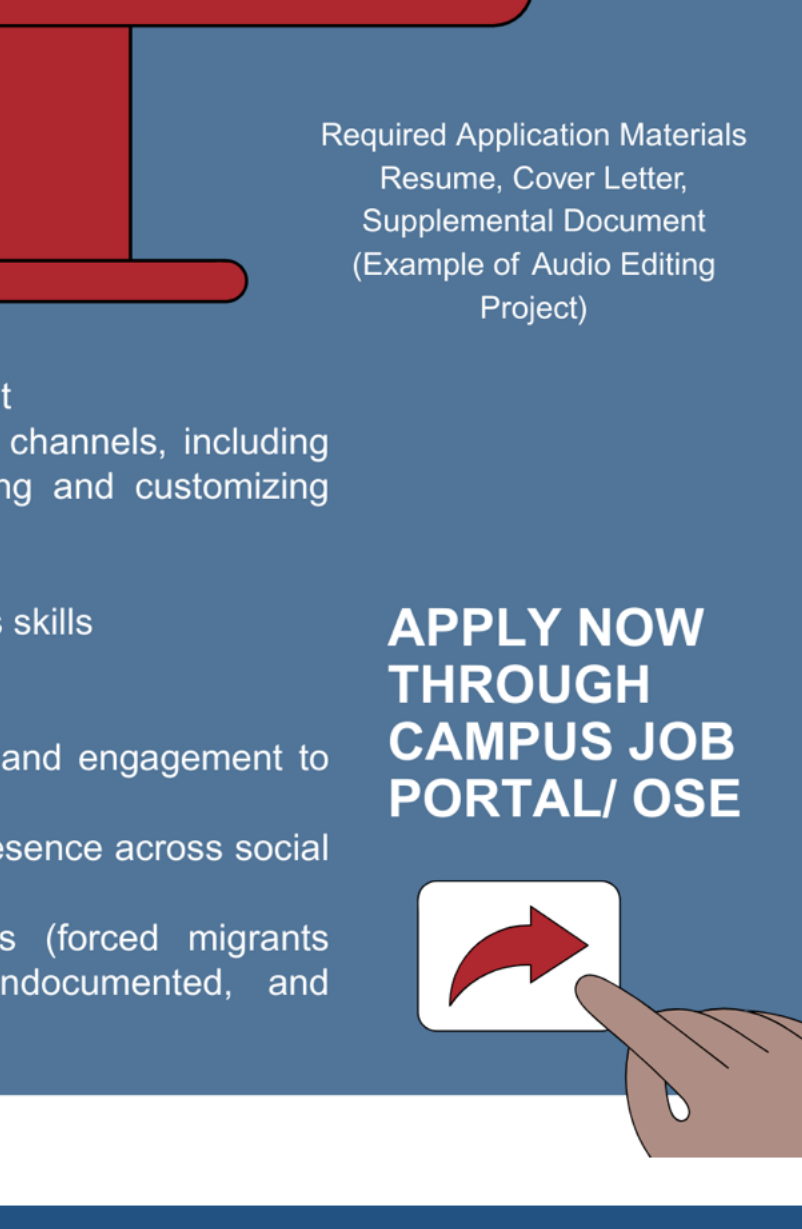
Learn More: [WORLD REFUGEE DAY CHICAGO - Home](#)

"Solidarity with Refugees" Advocacy Event
Tuesday, June 17, 2025 12-1pm at Daley Plaza
Address: 50 W. Washington

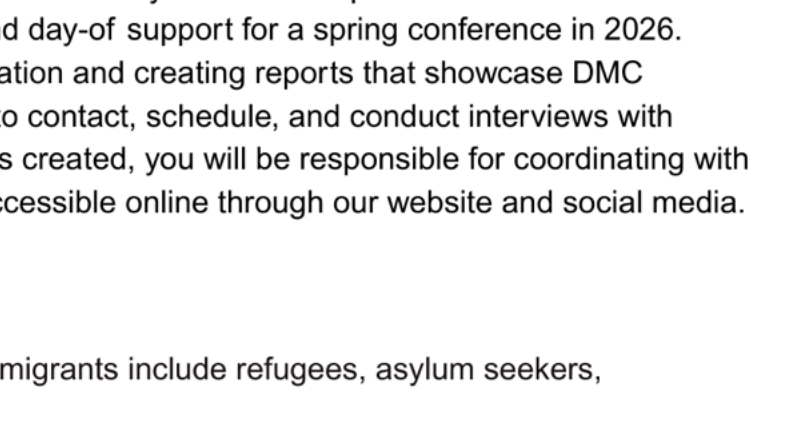
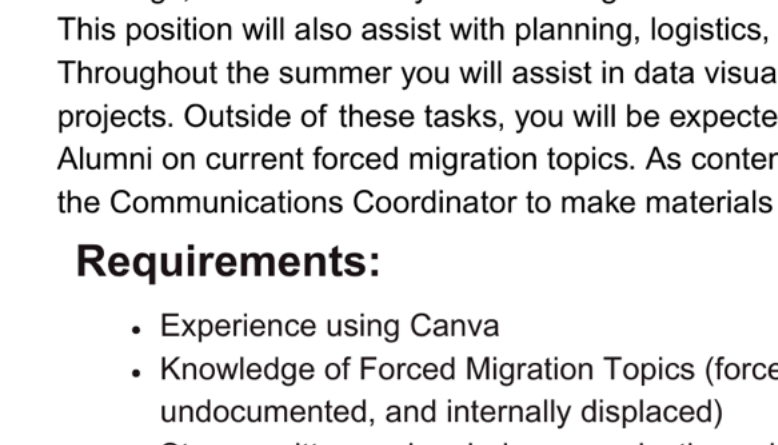
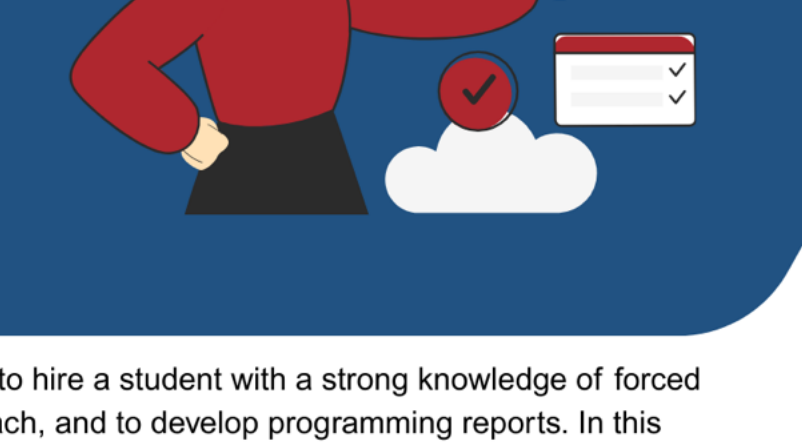
World Refugee Day 2025 Community Celebration
Saturday, June 21, 2025 9am to 4pm at Foster Beach Park
Address: 5200 N Lakeshore Dr.

*This is a FREE EVENT including complimentary picnic lunch, performances, resource fair, soccer tournament, kids' activities, giveaways, and more.

Call to Action: [Take Action: Urge Your Members of Congress to Defend Refugee Resettlement and Protect Federal Funding for Refugee Programs](#) | [CWVS](#)



DMC Researchers Share their Insights on Migrant Housing in Chicago and Abroad



The panel, *Beyond the Brick Wall* brought together researchers from the DePaul Migration Collaborative to discuss the pressing issue of adequate housing and its intersections with forced migrant experiences. Professor Molly Brown, an Associate Professor at DePaul and Director of the Homelessness Advocacy Research and Collaboration Lab, moderated the conversation.

The discussion centered around the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights and its definitions of the 7 elements of adequate housing: (1) Security of Tenure, (2) Availability of Services, (3) Affordability, (4) Accessibility, (5) Habitability, (6) Location, (7) Cultural Adequacy. To start the conversation, researchers shared some of the ways they have seen housing evolve or be provided for in cities. Speakers mentioned that despite IL being a Welcoming City there is no formal right to housing in IL which can impact programming and policy. Each speaker shared examples of supportive policies, migrant experiences, and methods of gap fulfillment. Panelists addressed how legal status, discrimination, and documentation issues compound housing challenges for migrants and make it challenging to achieve adequate housing.

Lessons from international contexts, including Austria and Chile, revealed common themes of exclusion and the need for policy reform and coordinated support systems. The conversation also highlighted the intersectional impact of housing inadequacy, particularly on families, gender or socioeconomic status prior to migration. When panelists were asked about conflict between a host cities' homeless population vs immigrant populations, speakers dispelled the assumption that there is a correlation between rising housing costs and immigration through sharing data driven research with guest. They also shared how migration actually highlights an already existing problem and pushes policy makers to prioritize a response. Looking forward, panelists stressed the importance of civil society/informal groups, legal reform, and interdisciplinary collaboration for all affected by homelessness. Students were encouraged to engage through policy, advocacy, volunteering, and applying their learned skills in combination with the Vincentian question "What Must Be Done" to promote equity. Thank you to our speakers and guests for engaging in this conversation.

Student Applications Open

Join the DMC team as a Program Assistant or Communications Coordinator! Apply through the [Office of Student Employment](#). Email migration@depaul.edu if you have any questions regarding either position.

Position 2: Communications Coordinator

WE ARE HIRING!

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

The DePaul Migration Collaborative (DMC) is seeking to hire a student to run the official DMC social media pages and website alongside support the DePaul Migration Advocates project. In this position you will be asked to develop website content under the instruction of the DMC team and create flyers and marketing materials for events. You will be expected to maintain and update the website alongside create posts about DMC programming on Instagram and LinkedIn. You will also be asked to communicate with DMA/DMC Program Assistant and asked to edit audio files to then be placed on the website. Overall, we are looking for a creative individual that is eager to develop content that promotes the work of the DePaul Migration Collaborative.

10-15 Hours Weekly, Hybrid

Required Application Materials

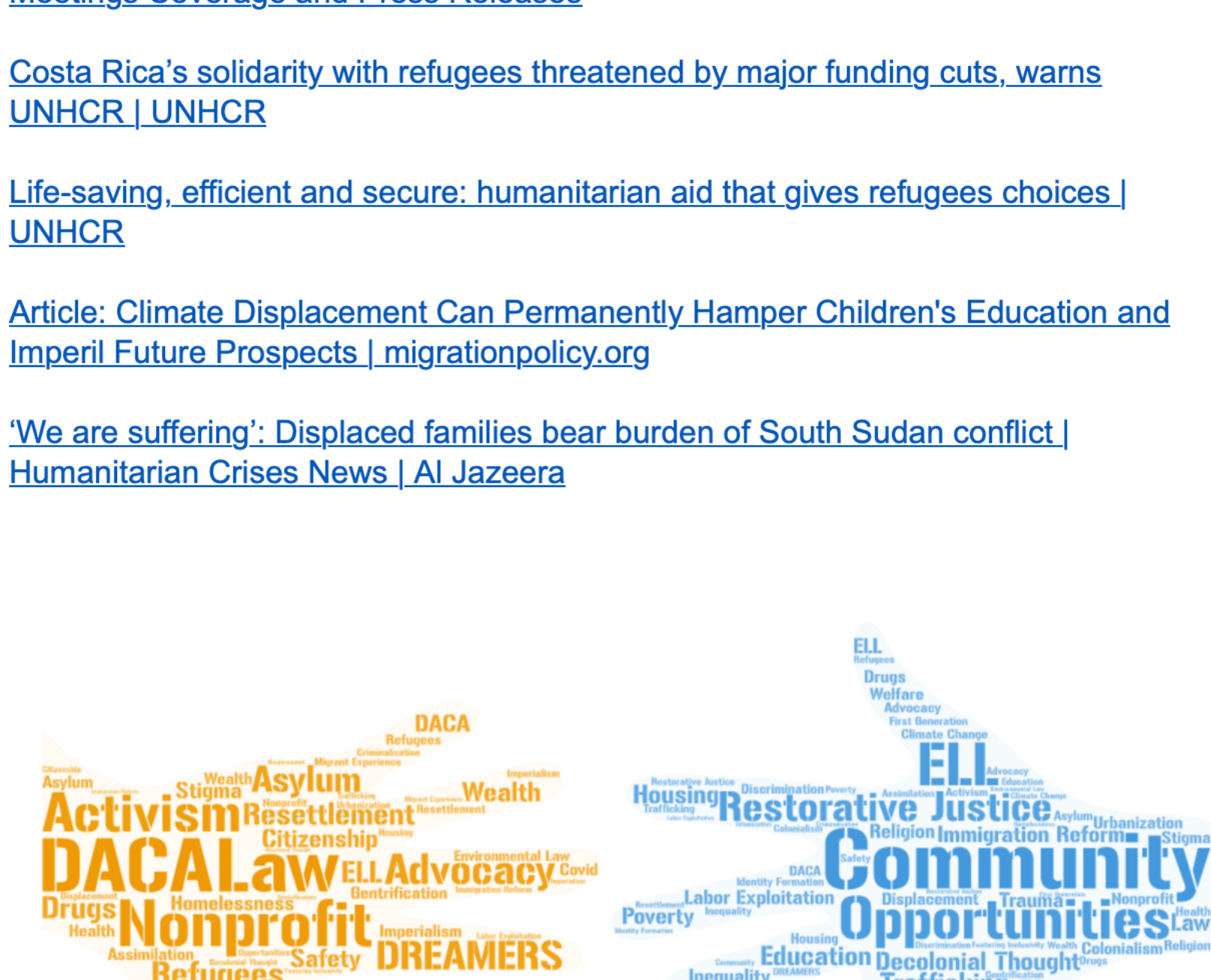
Resume, Cover Letter, Supplemental Document (Example of Audio Editing Project)

Position Requirements:

- Experience using Canva
- Experience in Basic HTML and Sharepoint
- Manage social media content across all channels, including writing posts, creating visuals, scheduling and customizing messages for each platform
- Audio editing experience
- Strong written and verbal communications skills
- Organized and can follow timelines
- Detail Oriented
- Ability to assess Social Media analytics and engagement to meet audience growth goals
- Maintain consistent brand identity and presence across social media platforms
- Knowledge of Forced Migration Topics (forced migrants include refugees, asylum seekers, undocumented, and internally displaced) -Preferred

APPLY NOW THROUGH CAMPUS JOB PORTAL/ OSE

Position 2: DMC Assistant



The DePaul Migration Collaborative (DMC) is seeking to hire a student with a strong knowledge of forced migration to assist in event coordination, alumni outreach, and to develop programming reports. In this position you will be asked to assist in event coordination efforts including, but not limited to flyer design, event bookings, distribution of flyers marketing to the DePaul community in relationship to scheduled DMC events. This position will also assist with planning, logistics, and day-of support for a spring conference in 2026. Throughout the summer you will assist in data visualization and creating reports that showcase DMC projects. Outside of these tasks, you will be expected to contact, schedule, and conduct interviews with Alumni on current forced migration topics. As content is created, you will be responsible for coordinating with the Communications Coordinator to make materials accessible online through our website and social media.

Requirements:

- Experience using Canva
- Knowledge of Forced Migration Topics (forced migrants include refugees, asylum seekers, undocumented, and internally displaced)
- Strong written and verbal communications skills
- Event planning experience
- Organized and can follow timelines
- Detail Oriented
- Ability to assist with end of year reports
- Maintain consistent brand identity and presence across social media platforms
- Experience interviewing (preferred)
- Ability to work a full day for Spring 2026 Symposium
- Experience with outreach

- Hour Requirement /Schedule: The expected time commitment is 10-15 hours weekly Hybrid.
- Required Documents: Resume, Cover Letter, 2 Supplemental Documents (Sample Canva Flyer and Sample Writing on a Forced Migration Topic (can be a research paper, a 1-page, blog post etc.)

Interested students should apply via on-campus job portal, OSE

Snapshot: Fall 2025 Migration Focused Courses

As you explore courses for next quarter/semester, consider some of the below classes focused on migration studies.

CES 402- Mobility and the State, Jesse Mumm
CES 410/ INT 388- Refugee and Forced Migration, Shailja Sharma
HST 203- Immigrant America, Martha Gardner
HST 241/ PAX 271-World Refugee Crisis, Ogengu Otunnu
INT 323/ FMS 403- Human Rights and International Law, Gil Gott
LAW 516- Immigration Law and Policy, Sioban Albiol
LSP 301- Interactive Migrant Stories, Ramya Ramanath and Lien Tran
FMS 411- International Dimensions of Public Service

New Course! New Course! New Course! New Course!

Immigration, Asylum, and Hospitality:
Creating Interactive Stories of Migration Journeys to a Home in Chicago
HON 302 | GAM 362 | INTD 390 | INT 389

In this course, students will delve into the complex realities facing new migrants as they search for housing in Chicago. Through readings, engaging with oral histories, and direct collaboration with Chicago-based advocates, students will gain a critical understanding of migration and displacement. Our partnership with Chicago's *Sanshelter Working Group* will bring students face-to-face with the strengths and weaknesses of governmental, nonprofit, and community responses to the need for safe, affordable, and adequate housing for new arrivals.

To raise awareness of these challenges, students will work collaboratively to create interactive story prototypes that ethically convey migrants' experiences. These stories, created with *Jotai* or *ESD*, will become part of an online, public-facing archive documenting how a diverse and de-identified group of migrants find and make home in Chicago.

HX HUMANITIES

Dr. Ramya Ramanath (Public Service) & Lien Tran, HST (COW)
Loop Campus Tuesdays 10:00AM - 115PM
Fulfills experiential learning requirement

In Case You Missed It

Resources and Calls to Action

Resources

[DMC Resources](#)

[IL IMMIGRATION INFO | Know Your Rights & Volunteer](#) — [IL IMMIGRATION INFO](#)

[Litigation Tracker: Legal Challenges to Trump Administration Actions](#)

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Calls to Action

[Take Action: Urge Your Members of Congress to Defend Refugee Resettlement and Protect Federal Funding for Refugee Programs](#) | [CWVS](#)

[Fund the Resistance](#) - current cases and links to the websites of the organizations pursuing these cases and ways to donate.

[Tell Congress: International Students are Essential to America's Safety, Economy, and Global Strength](#) | [NAFSA](#)

[Stop Avelo "Abduction Airlines" – Defend and Recruit](#)

[Join the Movement - Take Action - NILC](#)

Migration News

With Paywalls

[Opinion | India and Pakistan's fight over Kashmir only benefits China - The Washington Post](#)

Without Paywalls

[Why has Trump given white South Africans refugee status? | Refugees News | Al Jazeera](#)

[Federal judge won't block Trump's plan to use IRS data to track down undocumented migrants | CNN Politics](#)

[Where things stand in 5 of the Trump administration's highest profile immigration cases | CNN](#)

[Disappeared In America](#)

[Immigration Actions in First 100 Days of Trump Second Term](#)

[DHS will offer a \\$1K stipend to migrants who self-deport - POLITICO](#)

[Trump Administration Quietly Moves to Restrict Access to Asylum, Other Protections in Immigration Court](#)

[Nonprofits Sue to Stop Trump Termination of Program That Provided Attorneys for People in ICE Detention Deemed Mentally Incompetent | National Immigrant Justice Center](#)

[DHS investigates L.A. County for giving federal benefits to immigrants - Los Angeles Times](#)

[Can Pope Leo XIV influence the nation's immigration debate?](#)

[Amnesty International Exposes Human Rights Violations at El Paso Immigrant Detention Facility | Amnesty International USA](#)

[Myanmar: Life-saving Education Funding Must Be Restored Following USAID Cuts | Amnesty International USA](#)

[Afghan refugees forced to return face uncertain future | UNHCR](#)

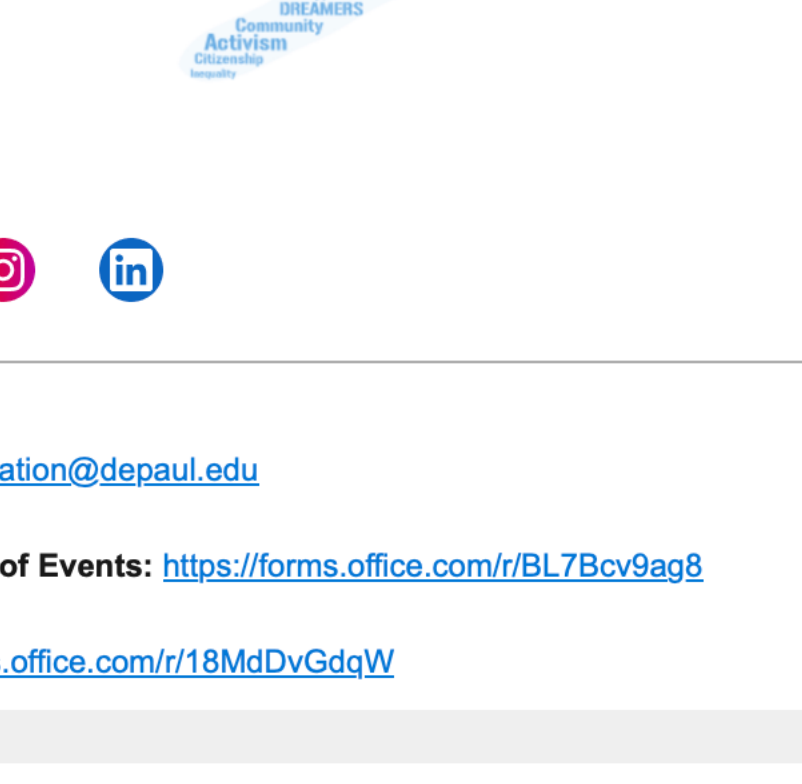
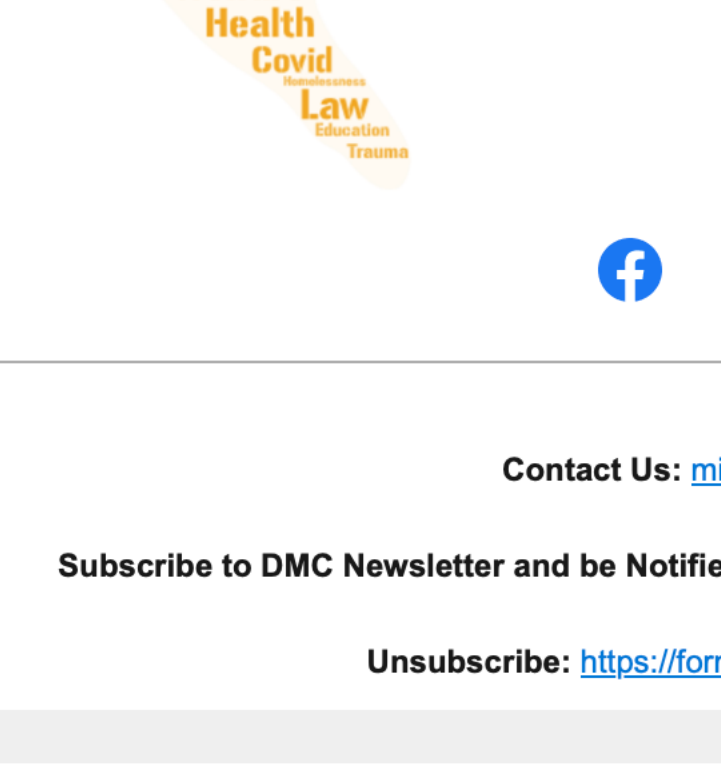
[Global Refugee Crisis Growing Worse, with Aid Workers near Breaking Point, Little Respect for Basic Rules of War, High Commissioner Warns Security Council | Meetings Coverage and Press Releases](#)

[Costa Rica's solidarity with refugees threatened by major funding cuts, warns UNHCR | UNHCR](#)

[Life-saving, efficient and secure: humanitarian aid that gives refugees choices | UNHCR](#)

[Article: Climate Displacement Can Permanently Hamper Children's Education and Imperil Future Prospects | migrationpolicy.org](#)

["We are suffering": Displaced families bear burden of South Sudan conflict | Humanitarian Crises News | Al Jazeera](#)



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