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Meet our Instructors




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	<p>Monica Abdelkader is the Director of Resettlement and Settlement Services at the Association for New Canadians in Newfoundland and Labrador. Over the last 15 years her career has included working in refugee protection and resettlement in Canada, Egypt and Guatemala, focusing on psychosocial and (re)settlement services. She has a Masters in Health Policy and Equity from York University and has taught courses on migration and global health at York University, the American University of Cairo and Memorial University of Newfoundland. Monica had held many leadership roles over the course of her career including as a Board Member with several nonprofits including with the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies and the Canadian Council for Refugees, as well as sits on the Advisory Committees of the National Advisory on Accessibility for Immigrants and Refugees, the National Afghan Resettlement Steering Committee, the National Operation Ukraine Safe Haven Steering Committee and the Immigrant and Refugee Mental Health National Advisory Committee. Her work has included supporting nonprofits working with immigrants and refugees in Canada including in Ontario, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.</p>
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	<p>lives in the Middle East and in their diasporic communities in Europe and Canada. In her doctoral research, “Refugees from Syria caught between war and borders: A journey towards protection,” which received the Award for Outstanding Graduate Work, she examines the governance structures of refugee protection and the encounters between exclusionary bordering practices and refugees’ agency during their displacement. The findings of her research appeared in leading journals. Dr. Almustafa is currently working towards the publication of her book “Contemporary Narratives of Exile: Rethinking Refugee Protection Worldwide” which is based on her dissertation research, with Wilfrid Laurier Press.</p>
<div data-bbox="311 688 565 945" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="224 951 657 1018" data-label="Caption"> <p>Carmel Bouclaous Email: carmel.bouclaous@lau.edu.lb</p> </div>	<p>Carmel Bouclaous is Assistant Professor at the Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine, Lebanese American University (LAU), Lebanon. She teaches social medicine, global health, and nutrition. Her research focuses on the effects of the social, political and economic environments on health and health disparities among host and refugee populations. She has a number of peer-reviewed publications and ongoing projects on such topics as health literacy, mental health following collective trauma, food insecurity, sexual beliefs and practices and others. In addition to being active in several international research networks, she has been invited by the World Health Organization Enhanced Wellbeing Unit to serve on an expert panel for the assessment of population health literacy. Dr Bouclaous serves on the Board of Directors of the Lebanese Medical Students’ International Committee and heads LAU’s Medical Students’ Association Advisory Council. She provides support in the organization of National Health Days, Free Medical Days, and various awareness campaigns and initiatives. Prior to joining LAU, she has worked extensively in healthcare management. She holds a PhD in Development Studies from the Geneva Graduate Institute, a Master of Public Health with an emphasis on health management and policy, and a Master of Nutrition from the American University of Beirut-Lebanon.</p>
<div data-bbox="243 1560 636 1818" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="203 1824 548 1890" data-label="Caption"> <p>Bree Akesson Email: bakesson@gmail.com</p> </div>	<p>Bree Akesson is the Canada Research Chair (Tier II) in Global Adversity and Wellbeing, Associate Professor of Social Work at Wilfrid Laurier University, and Faculty Affiliate with the Child Protection in Crisis (CPC) Learning Network at Columbia University. With a background in both social work and public health, she has worked for over two decades with children and families impacted by war and displacement in settings such as Chechnya, Northern Uganda, Palestine, Lebanon, and Afghanistan. Her program of research ranges from micro-level understandings of the</p>


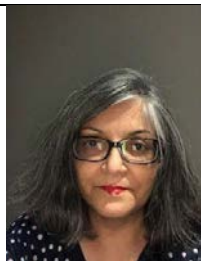
	<p>experiences of war-affected families to macro-level initiatives to strengthen global social service workforce systems. Dr. Akesson's work has been cited over 1,000 times across a range of disciplines such as geography, health sciences, human rights, psychology, and social work. Her latest book <i>From Bureaucracy to Bullets: Extreme Domicide and the Right to Home</i>—co-authored with Dr. Andrew Basso and published in 2022—was the inspiration for a United Nations report calling for the classification of home demolition as a war crime. Her research in Afghanistan (led by Dr. Martha Bragin and co-authored with her Afghan colleagues) was awarded the <i>International Social Work Journal Prize for Best 2022 Journal Paper</i>.</p>
<div data-bbox="264 661 613 919" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="207 919 673 989" data-label="Caption"> <p>Stephanie Hansel Email: stephanie.hansel07@gmail.com</p> </div>	<p>Stephanie Hansel, MSc Public Health has worked in public health and international development for more than 20 years. Working closely with partners in low and middle-income countries, she has contributed to the design and implementation of several innovative health service and education models in maternal and child health, mental health, family health and emergency care. For almost 10 years she served as Director of Continuous Professional Development at Juzoor for Health and Social Development, a leading national NGO in Palestine, where she supported public health policy and health systems strengthening efforts at the national level in Palestine, including promoting a family health approach to primary care which was later endorsed by the Palestinian Ministry of Health. She participated in the first conference of the Besroul Centre for Global Family Medicine in 2012 and has contributed to publications of The Besroul Papers Working Group. Ms. Hansel is currently a manager at Massachusetts General Hospital, Global Health Innovation Lab overseeing a health system strengthening initiative to improve emergency postpartum hemorrhage care in Africa, South East Asia and Latin America.</p>
<div data-bbox="337 1423 540 1661" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="305 1696 573 1757" data-label="Caption"> <p>Alexis Benos Email: benos@auth.gr</p> </div>	<p>Alexis Benos is a public health physician, Emeritus Professor in Social Medicine and Primary Health Care at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. His work, combining academic research and teaching with political activism defending health as a social right, is centered on the development of Primary Health Care and Public Health. He is an active member of the International Association of Health Policy (IAHP) and a founding member of People's Health Movement.</p>


	<p>Feride Aksu Tanık is physician, specialized in public health. Worked in Ankara and Ege Universities as Professor of Public Health. She is signatory of “Peace Petition” and dismissed from Ege University with a Government Decree in 2017. Bio link</p>
<p>Feride Aksu Tanık Email: ferideaksu59@gmail.com</p>	<p>She took part in establishment Academy in Human Rights Foundation Turkey. https://tihvakademi.org/english-3/</p> <p>She is among the founding board members of Human Rights Foundation Turkey. She is the President of International Association of Health Policy in Europe.</p> <p>Training activities related migration, health and right to health:</p> <p>Project partner, country coordinator and trainer in International Course (2011-2013) on “Global Health and Migration” funded by ERASMUS Program.</p> <p>Project partner, country coordinator and trainer in International Course (2014) on “Right to Health Without Borders” funded by ERASMUS Program.</p> <p>http://traducat.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Global-Health-Migration-Handbook.pdf</p> <p>Publications on Migration</p> <p>Women in Migration Beyond Statistics, Feride Aksu Tanık, World Medical Journal, vol. 62, Nr.3, p.84-85. https://www.wma.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/WMJ-3-2016-WEB.pdf</p> <p>Co-Editor of the special “Migration Issues” of the “Community and Physician Journal of Turkish Medical Association” (published in Turkish, 2018, Volume 33, issues 4-5) https://www.belgelik.dr.tr/ToplumHekim/kayit_goster.php?Id=2850</p> <p>Refugees Access to Health Care (Mültecilerin Sağlık Hizmetlerine Erişimi) Toplum ve Hekim Cilt 33, Sayı 4, Temmuz-Ağustos, 2018, Sayfa 268-276 https://www.belgelik.dr.tr/ToplumHekim/kayit_goster.php?Id=2857</p>
	<p>Lisa Ariemma is a journalist, researcher, educator and activist. She particularly focuses on issues linked to participatory citizenship, active democracy and migration. She has created and taught courses on intercultural dialogue and multiculturalism and has been published in peer-reviewed academic journals, newspapers, online journals and blogs. She has taken part in various conferences, meetings and cultural festivals in Europe, North America and the Middle East as an activist and independent researcher. She has participated in SabirFest and is a co-founder of the Maydan Association. She lives in Meana di Susa, Italy and Toronto, Canada but considers herself a citizen of the world.</p>
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	<p>Dr. Ilene Hyman (BSc PT, MHSc, PhD) is an Adjunct Professor in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto and the Graduate Health Program at York University. Her research focuses on and engages with immigrant and racialized communities to identify health and social inequities, build capacity and address structural barriers through policies and programs. Ilene has conducted dozens of qualitative, quantitative and mixed method studies exploring the determinants of immigrant and refugee health, effectiveness of settlement programs, intersectoral partnerships and policy initiatives for immigrant integration and inclusion. Ilene is also involved in several global health activities including the Global Public Health and Health Systems Improvement through Implementation Science and Public Health and Migration teams at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, Metrics workgroup at the Canadian Partnership for Maternal and Child Health and as a Catalyst+ advisor.</p> <p>https://utoronto.academia.edu/IleneHyman</p>
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	<p>Dan Vandebelt works with the Waterloo Region Immigration Partnership as a Community Engagement Coordinator - bringing together settlement and immigrant service providers, non-profit and ethnocultural groups and private individuals to work collectively to solve emerging and intractable challenges in the local community. These issues are always evolving - whether it is language interpretation, housing, health care access, language learning, collaborative settlement strategies, digital service delivery, etc. Dan also leads the data and research work of the Immigration Partnership - often collaborating with many of the 80 other local immigration partnerships across Canada.</p>
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	<p>Jessica Kwik is the Director of the <u>Peel Newcomer Strategy Group (PNSG)</u>, a local immigration partnership project based out of the United Way of Greater Toronto in Peel region, Ontario, Canada.</p> <p>As a community collaborative, PNSG engages stakeholders to facilitate better integration of services for newcomers based on local data and planning. Jessica brings an educational and work background in applied health sciences, environmental studies, mental health promotion and settlement supports.</p>
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	<p>Janet McLaughlin, PhD, is an Associate Professor of Health Studies and a Research Associate at the International Migration Research Centre at Wilfrid Laurier University in Ontario. Since 2004, she has been conducting research on issues related to migrant agricultural workers' health and human rights, and their access to health care and protections in Canada, and their sending states, particularly Mexico and Jamaica. This scholarship has formed the basis of numerous academic articles, book chapters, policy papers, op-eds, and documentary films, as well as over 100 media interviews/profiles. Dr. McLaughlin is co-founder and co-coordinator of the Migrant Worker Health Project and the Migrant Worker Health Expert Working Group (www.migrantworker.ca), initiatives that aim to increase health accessibility, awareness, and protections for migrant workers.</p> <p>https://www.wlu.ca/academics/faculties/faculty-of-human-and-social-sciences/faculty-profiles/janet-mclaughlin/index.html</p>
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	<p>Migrant worker support</p> <p>Originally from El Salvador, due to the civil war in that country, I fled to Canada as a refugee in the early nineties. Before coming to Canada, I graduated as a physician and specialized in Paediatrics. I also hold two Master degrees: a Master in Public Health obtained in the Netherlands and, a Master in Science - Public Administration with Emphasis in Health, from the Central American Institute of Public Administration in San Jose, Costa Rica.</p> <p>In El Salvador, I practiced paediatrics in the private sector, and worked as a Paediatrician with the Behavioral Clinic in the city of Santa Ana. After moving to the city of San Salvador I worked as a professor of Community Medicine at the School of Medicine, National University of El Salvador. I also worked with a social program with the Catholic Church, developing and implementing a training for residents from the rural areas as Primary Health Care Workers.</p> <p>In Canada, my first work was as the Director of the Refugee Program from the Canadian Lutheran Church and then I moved to the Regional Public Health Dept. as a Health Promoter and later as the Manager of the Youth Health Program.</p> <p>Besides my paid work, in Canada, I have volunteered with different organizations and projects providing support to recent immigrants and refugees. Some of them are</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member and Chair of the K-W Multicultural Centre - Chair of the Board of the Ontario Public Health Association - Board member from the Canadian Public Health Association - Founding member of the Kitchener Downtown Community Health Centre - <p style="text-align: right;">Currently:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Volunteering with the K-W Multicultural Cent - Member of the Settlement Pillar Work Group from the Region of Waterloo Immigration Partnership Initiative. <p>In the last five years, I have been working as the Health Promoter-Community Developer for the International Agricultural Workers (IAW) Health Program with the Grand River Community Health Centre. In this position, I work in collaboration with different organizations in the community to support IAW to access health services and provide support and health promotion-education to them.</p> <p>https://www.thespec.com/news/hamilton-region/2021/01/08/adapting-to-pandemic-mobile-clinics-virtual-check-ups-catered-to-farm-workers.html</p> <p>https://www.linkedin.com/in/eliseo-a-martell-b379301b/?originalSubdomain=ca</p>
 <p>Meb Rashid Email: mebrashid@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Meb Rashid has had the privilege of working with newly arrived refugees for nearly twenty years. He is the medical director of the Crossroads Clinic, a medical clinic that serves refugees arriving in Toronto. He also co-founded the Canadian Doctors for Refugee Care, an organization founded to advocate for refugees to access health insurance and was on the steering committee of the CCIRH, a group that developed evidence-based guidelines for the assessment of newly arrived immigrants and refugees. He is a co-founder of the Christie Refugee Health Clinic, a health clinic located in a refugee shelter. He is on staff at Women's College Hospital in Toronto and is an Assistant Professor with the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the University of Toronto.</p>
 <p>Kevin Pottie Email: kpottie@uwo.ca</p>	<p>Kevin Pottie has led a 20-year research program in global health equity and evidence-based guidelines. His systematic reviews and clinical guidelines are transforming the clinical approach to refugee care. During the European refugee health crisis, he worked at WHO and then led the European Migrant health guidelines (ECDC, 2018). He created the Refugee Health e-Learning (www.ccirhken.ca) and along with other members of the Canadian Refugee Health Network, he was happy to contribute to the recent Canadian Family Physician guidelines for refugees and other migrants during COVID-19.</p>

	<p>He is a leader at the Cochrane Equity Methods and GRADE Working Group and a full professor in the Departments of Family Medicine and Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Western University. He lives in London, Ontario and enjoys birding, bike polo, and he used to be a professional juggler and unicyclist.</p>
	<p>Rachel Talavlikar is a primary care physician dedicated to providing equitable, high-quality care for marginalized populations including refugees and immigrants. She completed medical school and residency with additional training in global and women's health at the University of Calgary in 2014. Her current clinical practice is based in North East Calgary, Alberta at the Mosaic Refugee Health Clinic (MRHC). Prior to medical school, she completed a degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Alberta. She was a leader in establishing the CRHN, is a member of the N4 Community of Practice Steering committee and the Society of Refugee Healthcare Providers Research, Evaluation and Ethics Committee.</p>
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	<p>Bhooma Bhayana is a family physician who graduated from Western University MD'85. After postgraduate studies at the University of Toronto in family medicine, she practiced in Toronto for five years with an emphasis on women's health and mental health. She has been practicing in London, ON for the past thirty-three years. Her interests include women's health, obstetrics, the care of newcomers and refugees and mental health. She is a medical examiner at the regional domestic violence and sexual assault center in London and an adjunct professor in the department of family medicine at Western where she is involved in piquing the interest of students in cultural competence and refugee health.</p>
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	<p>Clare Pain MD, MSc., FRCPC., D.Sc (Hons) Addis Ababa University, Professor in the Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto. She works at Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto and at the Canadian Center for Victims of Torture for refugee mental health in Toronto, and at the new Mount Sinai Hospital partnership in indigenous mental health with the Community Mental Health Program and Addictions Program; a Division of Weeneebayko Area Health Authority.</p>
<p>Clare Pain Email: clare.pain@sinaihealth.ca</p>	<p>She is the founder and senior strategist of the Toronto Addis Ababa Academic Collaboration (TAAAC), an ongoing educational partnership between Addis Ababa University (AAU) and the University of Toronto initiated in 2003, working to strengthen educational capacity and sustainability in graduate training at AAU. In July 2014 she was awarded</p>

	<p>an honorary doctorate from AAU for her work to assist the development of psychiatry in Ethiopia.</p> <p>Her clinical focus is the assessment and treatment of individuals including refugees, who continue to suffer from the complex effects of psychological trauma. She has lectured and taught on various aspects of psychological trauma including trans-cultural issues and increasingly on global mental health.</p>
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	<p>Dr. Michaela Beder is a psychiatrist with Inner City Health Associates and with the ACT team at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto. Her work is focused on improving the system for, and providing care to, people who experience severe mental illness, homelessness, substance use, criminalization, and immigration-related difficulties. She is the Director of Mental Health and Substance Use Care for Inner City Health Associates and an Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto. She is the Social Justice Postgraduate Education Lead for the Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Beder is also a community organizer working with allies at Health Providers Against Poverty and the OHIP for All Campaign on issues of immigration detention.</p>
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