International Migration, Development & Citizenship

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Recent world events compel us all to think critically and creatively about how today’s society and each of us should address urgent issues surrounding migration, development and citizenship.

This course will help you:

• Gain a better understanding of the complexity of societal forces driving migration and refugee movements today
• Consider “development” policies and practices, and how they displace and/or increase demand for workers
• Explore how governments, employers and communities are responding to different types of migrants and refugees
• Re-examine the meanings of citizenship and migrants’ quest for social mobility, belonging and human dignity across increasingly hostile geographies and regimes.

This course explores questions such as:

• How many people are migrating and how do we count them?
• If migration is an individual decision, why does it occur in waves?
• If borders are increasingly open for goods and services, why are they closing for people?
• What rights should be given or denied to migrants or refugees?

The course supports the International Migration, Development and Citizenship concentration in the Master of Arts in Critical and Creative Thinking (MA CCT).

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