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# **RELIGION, RACE, AND IDEOLOGIES OF WHITENESS: IMMIGRATION IN THE U.S., THEN AND NOW**

**Thursday, September 22, 2022 | 12:30-1:45 p.m. CST**  
**Via Zoom - Registration: [bit.ly/3S1p9ZH](https://bit.ly/3S1p9ZH)**

Immigration policy in the United States often reflects ideas about who is worthy or appropriate to be welcomed into this country, and those ideas have been significantly impacted by narratives about religion and race. In this panel discussion, scholars of religion, race, history, and immigration will discuss the influence of religion and race on immigration law and its enforcement, immigration detention, and community reception of immigrants. The panel will also consider how communities have interpreted religious ethical teachings about immigration and how these interpretations relate to on-the-ground responses to immigrants.

All panelists are members of the 2021-22 Public Religion Research Institute cohort of Public Fellows in Immigration. Dr. Luis Romero is Assistant Professor of Comparative Race and Ethnic Studies at Texas Christian University. Dr. Jane Hong is Associate Professor of History at Occidental College. Dr. Karen Hooge Michalka is Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Mary. Dr. Laura Alexander is Associate Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.



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