

Georgia Immigration Research Network

Spring 2018 GIRN Meeting

Immigration and Immigrant Integration in Georgia and the U.S. South

Kennesaw State University – Marietta Campus, Joe Mack Wilson Student Center – Ballroom A/B
1100 South Marietta Parkway, Marietta, Georgia 30060
Friday, May 4, 2018

Agenda

9:00-9:20 AM

Arrival, Registration, and Coffee/Tea

9:20-9:40 AM

Welcome

- *Paul N. McDaniel (Geography & Anthropology, Kennesaw State University)*
- *Darlene Xiomara Rodriguez (Social Work & Human Services, Kennesaw State University)*
- *Nathalia Jaramillo (Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Kennesaw State University)*

9:40-11:00 AM

Panel 1: Immigration and Immigrant Integration: Past, Present, and Future

- Representing Immigration in Public History
Adina Jocelyn Langer (Museum of Holocaust History and Education, Kennesaw State University)
- The Immigration Act of 1924: Pivotal Ethnic Conflict and Compromise in the Past and Now
Lois Teye-Bochway (Elite Scholars Academy)
- Creating a Welcoming Metro Atlanta
Jordyne Krumroy (Welcoming America, Atlanta, Georgia)
- Green Card Youth Voices: Immigration Stories from an Atlanta High School
Darlene Xiomara Rodriguez (Social Work & Human Services, Kennesaw State University), Lara Smith-Sitton (English, Kennesaw State University), Paul N. McDaniel (Geography & Anthropology, Kennesaw State University)

11:00-11:10 AM

Break and Coffee/Tea

11:10 AM-12:30 PM

Panel 2: Issues Impacting Immigrant and Refugee Youth in Georgia and the U.S. South

- Caught in the Crosshairs: An Analysis of the Legal Landscape Impacting the Educational Access for Immigrant Students and Their Families
Chinasa Elue (Educational Leadership and Higher Education, Kennesaw State University)
- University Student's Awareness of Educational Discrimination Against Undocumented Immigrants in the U.S. South
Tatiana Villarreal-Otalora (Social Work, University of Georgia), Jane McPherson (Social Work, University of Georgia)
- Parental Engagement and Acculturation: How Schools can Help
Allison Garefino (Children and Family Programs, Kennesaw State University), Brandi Southern (Conflict Management, Kennesaw State University), Kelly Hoffman (Psychology, Kennesaw State University), Casey Wakeford (Psychology, Kennesaw State University), Dominic Padgett (Psychology, Kennesaw State University)
- Sometimes My Mind, It Has to Analyze Two Things: Identity Development and Adaptation for Refugee and Newcomer Adolescents
Sherrill W. Hayes (Conflict Management, Kennesaw State University)

12:30-1:30 PM

Lunch and Keynote Speaker

- *David Schaefer (Latin American Association, Atlanta, Georgia)*

1:30-2:50 PM

Panel 3: Immigrant and Refugee Resettlement in Georgia and the U.S. South

- Recent African Immigrants in Georgia: Numbers and Impact
Akanmu Adebayo (History, Kennesaw State University)
- New African Religious Organizations
Chris Edwards (Division of Global Affairs, Kennesaw State University)
- Successful Strategies for Integration: Exploring Disciplinary Practices of African Immigrant Parents
Banti Zehyoue (International Conflict Management, Kennesaw State University)
- The Lived Experience of Afghan Women Refugees in Three Metropolitan Areas of the Southeastern US: A Phenomenological Study
Brenda Brown (Nursing, Kennesaw State University)
- Healing the Wounds of Torture & Rebuilding Lives in Georgia
Darlene Lynch (Center for Victims of Torture, Atlanta, Georgia)

2:50-3:00 PM

Break and Refreshments

3:00-4:20 PM

Panel 4: Local Contexts and Practices of Immigrant Integration and Exclusion

- Immigration and Labor Market Outcomes in U.S. Metropolitan Areas
Allen Hyde (Sociology, Georgia Institute of Technology)
- Residential Segregation, Migration, and Food Access Disparity in Atlanta
Cathy Yang Liu (Policy Studies, Georgia State University), Joowon Jeong (Policy Studies, Georgia State University)
- Accumulated Acts of Breaking Laws During Daily Survival: The Case of Maya Migrants and Highway Safety
Alan Le Baron (Latin American History, Kennesaw State University), Andrew Matusick (International Policy Management, Kennesaw State University)
- The Romanian American Dream: Permanent Migration and Integration of Romanians in Georgia
Eliza Markley (International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology), Darina Lepadatu (Sociology, Kennesaw State University)

4:20-4:30 PM

Closing Remarks

- *Paul N. McDaniel (Geography & Anthropology, Kennesaw State University)*
- *Darlene Xiomara Rodriguez (Social Work & Human Services, Kennesaw State University)*

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