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No Refuge - The Migrant Caravan and International Human Rights Law With Fernando Chang-Muy and Stephanie Schwartz

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Time: 4:30pm

Location: Perry World House

Join Penn Law's Fernando Chang-Muy and Perry World House's Stephanie Schwartz for a conversation moderated by PWH's Global Shifts Program Manager Jocelyn Perry

The right to seek asylum has been enshrined in international human rights law, through the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. However, this right is increasingly under attack the world over—from the Trump Administration's [deployment of U.S. Army troops to the southern border](#) to prevent people from Central America, including those traveling as part of "the migrant caravan," from entering the country to seek asylum, to the European Union's "deal" with Turkey to return asylum seekers to Turkey and Syria in exchange for increased funding. Australia is effectively imprisoning asylum seekers on offshore detention centers without access to basic necessities, while Tanzania and Peru (among other countries in Africa and South America) have attempted to discourage and prevented individuals from crossing international borders into their countries in order to seek asylum.

Join Penn Law's Fernando Chang-Muy and Perry World House's Stephanie Schwartz for a conversation moderated by PWH's Global Shifts Program Manager Jocelyn Perry on Tuesday, 11/27, at 4:30pm to discuss the humanitarian and legal implications of these issues. Fernando Chang-Muy has just returned from providing support to Hondurans in Mexico, many of whom are traveling through Central America in hopes of seeking asylum in the United States. Stephanie Schwartz has extensive experience working with asylum seekers and refugees throughout East Africa, and Jocelyn Perry has recently returned from working for the Malawi Government's Department of Refugees on their Refugee Status Determination procedures. They will provide their own perspectives on the right to seek asylum, including the ways in which individuals are precluded from accessing it and what opportunities exist to protect or strengthen this right today.

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