As part of the McLaughlin Lunch Talk Series, McLaughlin College Proudly Presents:

**The Criminalization of Migration and Book Launch**

With an estimated 260 million migrants in the world today, including over 68.5 million of those who are forcibly displaced, States have turned to draconian measures to try to stem the flow of irregular migration, including, the criminalization of migration itself. "Crimmigration" or the "criminalization of migration" involves the use of criminal law measures, public policies, and practices that stigmatize, marginalize and diminish or undermine the rights of those who are forcibly displaced. Canada has not been immune from these practices, despite its reputation of being one of the most open immigrant and refugee receiving States in the world.

This Lunch Time Talk will feature a number of contributors, from a book that has just been published, *The Criminalization of Migration: Context and Consequences*, who will examine this growing phenomenon not only in Canada but abroad.

**MODERATOR:**

**JAMES C. SIMEON** is the Head of McLaughlin College and an Associate Professor in the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA), Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada. He is a Member-at-Large of the Executive of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) and a past President of CARFMS. He also serves as the Coordinator of the International Association of Refugee and Migration Judges’ (IARMJ) Inter-Conference Working Party Process. His primary areas of research are international refugee law, international human rights law, international humanitarian law, international criminal law, and public policy and public administration.

**PANELISTS:**

**JOSEPH RIKHOF** is an adjunct professor at the Faculty of Common Law of the University of Ottawa where he teaches the course on International Criminal Law. Until his retirement in early 2017 he was also a senior counsel at the Crimes against Humanity and War Crimes Section of the federal Department of Justice. His expertise lies with the law related to genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity, especially, as practised at the domestic level and in the context of immigration and refugee law.

**NANCY WEISMAN** is Senior Counsel to the Immigration Division at the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. She has an LLB from Osgoode Hall Law School and a BA from the University of Manitoba. She is a member of the Law Society of Ontario. She has lectured extensively on issues pertaining to immigration and refugee law, in particular on war crimes and crimes against humanity, at various conferences throughout Canada, at Osgoode Hall Law School and York University and at the Law Society of Ontario.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

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