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Laura's research focuses on the history of race, refugees and religious and secular humanitarianism.

Biography

Laura is a historian of global migration whose research explores the history of refugees, race and humanitarianism. She is the author of *Elusive Refuge: Chinese Migrants in the Cold War* (Harvard University Press, 2016), which looks at how race influenced the character of the international refugee regime with particular attention to how it shaped the migration and resettlement of Chinese refugees to British white settler societies during the cold war. Laura's work has also appeared in a variety of international and national academic journals including the *Journal of Refugee Studies*, the *Canadian Historical Review*, the *Journal of the Canadian Historical Association* and the *Urban History Review*. Her current research, funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, investigates the history of sanctuary in North America from the 19th-century to the present. The project explores how secular and religious offers of sanctuary enforced notions of deserving recipients and challenged the authority and legitimacy of the nation-state.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Refugee and Human Rights Issues, Immigration, Canadian History, Archives, Heritage, Race Relations, Global Migration, Humanitarianism, Sanctuary

Education

University of British Columbia

Ph.D. History

University of Toronto

M.A. History

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