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Fostering Bilateral Cooperation to Improve Health  
and Wellbeing for Migrants and Host Communities  
at the U.S.-Mexico Border

Emory Intramural

# Global Health Case Competition

Connecting students from diverse fields across Emory University  
to address a global health challenge.



# Agenda

Saturday, February 3, 2024

Welcome to Emory Global Health Institute's 16<sup>th</sup> Intramural Emory Global Health Case Competition. We are excited to host multidisciplinary, student teams from across all Emory schools to focus on the topic of border health, a global health challenge faced in many regions of the world. By the end of 2022, 108.4 million people worldwide had been displaced due to conflict, violence, persecution, insecurity, human rights violations, and other causes. Among these displaced populations are over 27 million refugees of which over 40% are children. The U.S.-Mexico border faces many challenges requiring binational cooperation to ensure the health and wellbeing of resident communities who live along the border and to provide humanitarian health solutions to migrants.

We wish all students participating in this challenge, *Fostering Bilateral Cooperation to Improve Health and Wellbeing for Migrants and Host Communities at the U.S./Mexico Border*, a meaningful experience and thank our judges, case advisors, and volunteers.



7:30AM – 8:45AM  
Team **CHECK-IN**

8:45AM – 9:00AM  
Welcome & **OPENING**

9:00AM – 10:45AM  
Presentations **ROUND 1**

10:45AM – 11:45AM  
Deliberations & **REFRESHMENTS**

11:45AM – 12:00PM  
Announcement of **FINALISTS**

12:00PM – 1:00PM  
Feedback & **REVISIONS**

1:15PM – 2:30PM  
Final **PRESENTATIONS**

2:30PM – 3:45PM  
Announcements & **RECEPTION**

8:00AM **JUDGES'**  
Briefing

2:30PM **JUDGES'**  
Deliberation



# Teams

## Emory Intramural Student Teams



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### TEAM 1

**PRINCESS ALEKE**

Neil Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing

**PROGGA HASSAN**

Rollins School of Public Health

**TICHA BRANDON TITA TEMBI**

Rollins School of Public Health

**HALEY TAYLOR**

School of Law

**TAMMY HOANG DANG**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**MADISON LI**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

### TEAM 3

**MUHAMMAD ZAFFER**

Rollins School of Public Health

**JACOB HELMANN**

Rollins School of Public Health

**ASHWIN ARORA**

Rollins School of Public Health

**ZIMENG LIU**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**YEJIN SUH**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**SHARON COLE-PENN**

Candler School of Theology

### TEAM 2

**NEHA MOKASHI**

Rollins School of Public Health

**HALEY CIONFOLO**

Rollins School of Public Health

**RAMYA GINJUPALLI**

School of Medicine

**LILY FREEMAN**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**MADELINE CHANDLER**

Rollins School of Public Health/Candler School of Theology

### TEAM 4

**HYOWON (CLARA) SHIN**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**AMAL PANJWANI**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

**THAI VANG**

Rollins School of Public Health

**SHIFAN YAN**

Rollins School of Public Health

**JEFFREY LIN**

Rollins School of Public Health

**JILLIAN WU**

Goizueta Business School



## TEAM 5

**MEGHNA RAY**

Rollins School of Public Health

**NAMRATA RAMAKRISHNA**

Rollins School of Public Health

**INGRID LUSTIG**

James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies

**VIKRAM VARADARAJAN**

School of Medicine

**SAMIHA ROSS**

James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies

**OLIVIA BENDIT**

Rollins School of Public Health

## TEAM 9

**WABEI SABOI**

James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies

**VIRAJ SHIVADEVUNI**

Oxford College

**VIKRAM SRINIVASAN**

Oxford College

**SARAH TIMBIE**

Rollins School of Public Health

**MARGOT BOLANOS**

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**KARI ZHOU**

Emory College of Arts & Sciences

## TEAM 6

**TWINKLE TREHAN**

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## TEAM 11

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**FIZZA SATTAR**

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## TEAM 12

**ADITYA MEHTA**

Rollins School of Public Health

**SHIMOLI PARIKH**

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**PARTH JARIWALA**

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# Judges

## 2024 Case Competition



**BEVERLY BURKS**

Mayor of Clarkston, GA

Beverly Burks serves as the mayor of Clarkston, “the most diverse square mile in America.” She is involved in various professional and community organizations, including Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Coalition of One Hundred Black Women, NAACP, and others. She serves on the Prevention Research Center - Georgia State University Community Advisory Board and the Clarkston COVID-19 Task Force. With over two decades of experience, Beverly recently became the Regional Director of Philanthropy and Public Relations at National Church Residences, overseeing Atlanta’s growth and leading philanthropy and community engagement efforts. She holds a Bachelor of Science in computer information systems from Alabama State University and pursues an Executive Master of Business Administration from the University of North Alabama. Beverly’s extensive career spans community outreach, public affairs, non-profit management, and event planning, showcasing her dedication to service and leadership.



**JORGE GAVILANES, JD**

Immigration Lawyer

Jorge Gavilanes is a Partner at Kuck Baxter Immigration, LLC, in Atlanta, GA. He practices in all areas of U.S. immigration and nationality law. Jorge established and serves as lead attorney of Emory Law School’s Emory Immigrant Legal Assistance Clinic; a volunteer, student-run clinic that assists the thriving immigrant community in Atlanta with legal advice and access to legal services. Jorge has previously served as Chapter Chair of the Georgia Chapter for American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA). The national organization of AILA has recognized Jorge as a Pro Bono Champion for his commitment to increasing access to legal services for the immigrant community through the law school’s clinic. Jorge routinely presents on immigration law to the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the Georgia State Bar, and Emory Law School. Jorge is a graduate of the BYU Law School.



**LESLIE NORMAN, MD**

Physician

After 38 years in practice, Leslie joined Clarkston Community Health Center (CCHC) as a volunteer, directly caring for patients as well as advising nurse practitioners and teaching medical students. CCHC serves predominantly an immigrant population but sees anyone without adequate access to healthcare. CCHC is a nonprofit organization that provides primary and specialty medical services, mental health services and women’s healthcare.





**MARY HELEN O'CONNOR, PHD**  
Health Sciences Researcher

Mary Helen O'Connor works to addressing the social determinants of health among the superdiverse residents of Clarkston,GA. As a researcher, teacher, advocate, volunteer, and community member, she has been developing culturally and linguistically responsive interventions, messaging, and training for health sciences students and professionals as well as establishing a women's preventive health program, a culturally adapted diabetes management program, and mental health services for RIM community members in the most diverse square mile in America.



**JOHN ROSSOW, DVM, MPH, DACVPM**  
Veterinarian

Lieutenant Commander John Rossow is a public health veterinarian in the Global Public Health Emergency Branch at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). As one of the first graduates of CDC's Future Leaders in Infections and Global Health Threats (FLIGHT) Program and a current member of the Humanitarian Health Team, John specializes in global health security, infectious diseases in humanitarian settings, and providing One Health technical assistance across a variety of emergency response and workforce development activities in the global sphere.



**JEFFREY STATON, PHD, MA**  
Political Scientist

Jeffrey Kaplan Staton is the Senior Associate Dean at the James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies and Professor and former Chair of the Department of Political Science at Emory University. He is Judiciary Program Manager for [Varieties of Democracy](#) and co-Editor of the *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*. His principal research and teaching interests are in law and politics, human rights, and democratic regime health. His research has appeared in social science, international studies, and law journals. His most recent book *Can Courts Be Bulwarks of Democracy?* was published with Cambridge University Press in 2022. His current research considers the causes of and potential solutions for due process failures in the American immigration law system.





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