



ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM
THE GLOBAL REFUGEE
& IMMIGRATION CRISIS

Thursday, March 22, 2018

TCU DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM
& THE PULITZER CENTER ON CRISIS REPORTING

MORNING SESSION – 9:30 - 11:45 A.M. – MOUDY SOUTH 204

Welcome - **Dr. Uche Onyebadi**, *Associate Professor and Chair – TCU Department of Journalism*

Introduction - **Dr. Amiso George**, *Associate Professor – TCU Department of Strategic Communication (Chair)*

Overview of Refugee/Immigration Crisis - **Ann Peters**, *University and Outreach Director –
The Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting*

“Could the U.S. have prevented the Rohingya crisis?” - **Nahal Toosi**, *Foreign Affairs Correspondent – POLITICO*

LUNCH – 11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. – MOUDY SOUTH 212

AFTERNOON SESSION – 12:30 – 4:15 P.M. – MOUDY NORTH 141

Introduction - **Dr. John Tisdale**, *Associate Professor – TCU Department of Journalism (Chair)*

“Bush vs. Trump: Will the DHS learn from the mistakes made during its first border land grab?”
Julián Aguilar, *Immigration and Border Security Reporter – The Texas Tribune*

“The Mediated Newcomer: Constructing Immigrants in the News Lens”
Dr. Melita Garza, *Assistant Professor – TCU Department of Journalism*

Presentation of the 2018 Fellowship Awards - **Ann Peters**

Address by Award Recipients

Thanks - **Dr. Uche Onyebadi**



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Julián Aguilar

Julián Aguilar is a native of El Paso who earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Texas and a master's degree in journalism from the Frank W. Mayborn Graduate Institute of Journalism at the University of North Texas. He reports on politics and Texas-Mexico border affairs for *The Texas Tribune*, with a focus on immigration reform and enforcement, voter ID, international trade, border security, and the drug trade. Before joining the *Tribune*, Aguilar was a freelance writer for the *Fort Worth Weekly*; a government and crime reporter for the *Laredo Morning Times*; and a political writer for the *Rio Grande Guardian*.

Politico, Toosi spent eight years as a reporter for The Associated Press in New York, Islamabad, Kabul and London. Prior to that, Toosi worked for the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, where she primarily covered higher education but also managed to report from Iraq, South Korea, Thailand and Germany. Toosi has always had a strong interest in migration and refugee issues. In Pakistan, she covered the human displacement caused by militancy. At *Politico*, she's written about the policy and political challenges posed to the United States by the global migration crisis.



Nahal Toosi



Ann Peters

As University and Community Outreach Director, Ann Peters oversees the Pulitzer Center's Campus Consortium program, which creates opportunities for journalists, students and faculty to examine global issues across disciplines at a growing network of university and college partners and offers international reporting fellowships. A graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Georgetown University Law Center, Ann began her career as a correspondent for United Press International. She reported from North Carolina, Washington, D.C., Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, Lebanon, Egypt and South Africa. Peters also worked in London as a research associate and consultant for Human Rights Watch and practiced law.

Dr. Melita Garza is an assistant professor in the journalism program at TCU. Her areas of expertise include journalism history, diversity, businesses and economic news, English- and Spanish-language news, the media and civil rights, and literary journalism. Dr. Garza is an award-winning journalist with more than 20 years professional experience in national and international media. She has worked at the Chicago Tribune, Bloomberg News in New York, the McKinsey Quarterly in London, and the Milwaukee Journal. She began her career as a reporter trainee at the Los Angeles Times.



Dr. Melita Garza



Dr. Amiso George

Dr. Amiso George is an associate professor in the strategic communication program at TCU. Her areas of expertise include risk and crisis communication, public relations and corporate communication. Before entering academia, Dr. George worked as a journalist and freelance broadcaster in radio and television at Nigerian Television Authority, Voice of America international radio network (Africa Service) and WOUB Radio in Athens, Ohio.

Dr. John Tisdale is an associate professor in the journalism program at TCU. His areas of expertise include media writing and media history, with a focus on Southern journalism in the civil rights era of the 1950s. Dr. Tisdale has held positions as a reporter and copy editor at the Beaumont Texas Enterprise, the Columbus Commercial-Dispatch, the Orange Leader, the Temple Telegram, and the Waco Tribune-Herald.



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