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# The Humanitarian Immigration Crisis and an Evidence-free Public Policy

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**Mailman Center for Child Development, Room 4003**  
Lunch provided; first come, first served.

The current U.S. immigration crisis is complex. Conflicts at the Texas border pose especially tricky research challenges given the need to study especially vulnerable populations. Such research is needed to guide informed and humane policies; but we lack coherent data collection strategies or policies to shape that research. This presentation will address concerns of immigrants and of law enforcement officers, and examine other ethical issues related to immigration, migration and the rights of vulnerable populations.

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