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## NARRATIVES OF COLOMBIAN WOMEN'S REFUGEE CLAIMS IN CANADA

In my research project, I plan to examine Colombian women's experiences of filing for refugee status in Canada. In particular, I will look at how Colombian refugee women in Canada have experienced the refugee and asylum adjudication process and how categories such as race, class and education level have shaped their refugee claimant process. Therefore, this project's objective will be to provide insight that may contribute to the creation of immigration and refugee policies for refugee claimant women in Canada. With this information, the claimant process could potentially become more empathetic to the women's lived experiences in recognizing the problems with the present bureaucratic western model that depersonalizes the claimants and thereby revictimizes them.