## **ASYLUM**

- If a person claims fear of persecution if returned to their own country
  - Must show objectively reasonable fear of future persecution
  - Usually by showing past persecution
  - On a protected ground
    - Race
    - Religion
    - Political opinion
    - Nationality
    - Membership in a particular social group (PSG)
  - By government actors or persons the government is unable or unwilling to control
- One year rule must be filed within one year of entry to US
  - Exceptions to one year rule
- Affirmative/Defensive asylum processes (USCIS or Immigration Court)