

Migration & Ethnic Relations

Leaders in Research and Training

Western University's *Centre for Research on Migration and Ethnic Relations* and its *Collaborative Graduate Program in Migration and Ethnic Relations* are world leaders in research and graduate training related to migration and ethnic relations. These interdisciplinary efforts provide graduate students with unique training opportunities, while informing public policy and practice that facilitate the well-being of immigrants and ethnic minorities.

Centre for Research on Migration and Ethnic Relations

- Interdisciplinary research that directly informs local, regional, national and international public policy and practice
- Connects academic researchers with policy-makers and community stakeholders through collaborative projects and events
- Positions Western at the forefront of Canadian research on migration and ethnic relations
- Provides opportunities for collaboration with researchers, policy-makers and practitioners around the world
- Provides analytic and research capacity to the *London and Middlesex Local Immigration Partnership*
- Includes the state-of-the-art *Migration, Gender, and International Development Research Laboratory* for quantitative and qualitative research on migration and ethnic relations, gender and international development
- Home to the *Pathways to Prosperity Partnership (P2P)*, a national coalition dedicated to fostering welcoming communities that promote the economic, social, and civic integration of migrants and minorities in Canada
- *P2P* engages all key federal and provincial migration ministries; municipalities; national, regional, and local organizations involved in newcomer settlement; and researchers from more than 50 universities

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Collaborative Graduate Program in Migration and Ethnic Relations

- Provides graduate students with interdisciplinary training necessary to better understand and conduct research in migration and ethnic relations, and for employment in related academic, government and NGO sectors
- Builds on established graduate programs in anthropology, geography, history, political science, psychology, sociology, Hispanic studies, and women's studies and feminist research
- Includes a common colloquium series, course offerings that span departments and opportunities for students to work with faculty members in a variety of departments and disciplines
- Students receive a graduate degree in their home discipline, as well as in migration and ethnic relations
- Established in 2007, the program has grown to include more than 35 graduate students from a variety of disciplines who have been attracted from across Canada and internationally

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Applied Outcomes

- Research and analyses enhance the capacity of communities, and the institutions they rely on, to integrate, attract and retain newcomers, including new and relocated immigrants, international students and temporary foreign workers
- Provides policy-makers and practitioners with an evidence base to optimize programs and policies to integrate newcomers and to take advantage of the many skills and assets they bring with them to their new country
- Improves understanding of the state of ethnic relations and multiculturalism in Canada and internationally, and supports the development of strategies to address interethnic and intercultural conflict and disharmony
- Graduate students trained in applied and basic research that can be utilized in a variety of employment settings, including government, NGO, and academic institutions



Sign at the Canadian Museum of Immigration, Pier 21, Halifax.



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