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Project Title	Citizenship and Employment Precarity

Description of Research Project (1500 characters maximum)

The Citizenship and Employment Precarity (CEP) research project seeks to gain insight into the ways that citizenship and legal status trajectories impact employment possibilities and job quality over time. The project involves a web-based survey of persons living in the GTA who entered Canada without permanent residence. Data will be used to analyze the relationship between changes in legal status and citizenship, job precarity and overall health.

The project requires outreach in order to recruit respondents. Recruitment includes traveling around the GTA to make in-person oral presentations for various groups and organizations to explain the project and to address questions. Outreach may also involve team members facilitating respondents filling out the survey.

Data analysis will begin while it is being collected in order to ensure timely analysis and writing.

Undergraduate Student Responsibilities (1500 characters maximum)

Students will work with the supervisor, project coordinator, and graduate students on outreach and recruitment. This would involve travel and making presentations. In some cases, students may help respondents to take the survey.

Depending on the student's language skills and networks, she/he may be involved in outreach with specific ethnocultural/linguistic groups and organizations. Training will be provided by the supervisor and/or project coordinator.

The student(s) may participate in data quality monitoring and preliminary data analysis (descriptive statistics, charts, graphics). Students will receive training as needed.

Students may also be able to participate in developing knowledge mobilization materials. This involves writing clearly for a wide audience. York's KM Unit will provide training.

Students with expertise or interest in graphics will help to develop infographics using survey and existing data (from IRCC and StatsCan).

Qualifications Required (750 characters maximum)

Required:

Be a 4th year student in good standing.

Some courses and/or work experience related to migration, immigration and/or refugee policy and experience.

Excellent writing skills and oral communication.

Responsible and able to complete tasks on time.

Sensitive to ethical concerns regarding precarious work and legal status.

Preferred but not required: (1) Fluency in one or more languages other than English or French (spoken and written fluency), (2) interest in and familiarity with introductory social statistics, and (3) willingness to work with team on recruitment strategies for a wide range of communities/populations.
