Objectives:

The project will advance knowledge of migration and resilience in three main ways. First, empirical evidence collected to complement our multiscale comparative policy discourse analysis will provide in-depth understanding of the informal dynamics of policy making and governmentality. Second, we will offer a unique and important comparison between key informants' views from three levels of government and between two provinces, which have varying discursive agendas and strategies. Last, our analysis will further the discussion around the adoption of state discourses on "immigrant resilience," thus bringing new insights into the complex nature of the concept and its policy implications.

How will this project be implemented in practice?

We will conduct in-depth semi-structured key informant interviews with 1-2 representatives at the three levels of government (federal, provincial, municipal):

-Federal: 2 key informant interviews (completed)

-Province of Ontario: 2 key informant interviews (completed)

-Province of Quebec: 2 key informant interviews (TBD)

-City of Toronto: 2 key informant interviews (completed)

-City of Montreal: 2 key informant interviews (TBD)

-City of Ottawa: 1 key informant interviews (completed)

-City of Gatineau: 1 key informant interviews (completed)

-Waterloo-Region: 1 key informant interviews (TBD)

-Kitchener: 1 key informant interviews (TBD)

-Waterloo: 1 key informant interviews (TBD)

The interview guide was prepared collaboratively by the research teams in Ottawa-Gatineau, Toronto, and Kitchener-Waterloo. REB approval was obtained at uOttawa, U of T, and WLU.

Knowledge mobilization

Community outreach (throughout)

-Community outreach will be enhanced by posting information/updates on team activities through project website and social media.

-Findings will be shared through various (in)formal meetings and presentations to local communities, governments, stakeholders and public at large (organized in collaboration with community partners).

<u>Summary & Technical reports (summer 2020)</u>

-1 summary/technical report useful to all Partnership members, made available to the public on project website.

<u>Policy briefs (summer 2020)</u>

-One or more policy briefs to be posted on project website.

Academic conferences

-Presentations at local/national conferences in spring-summer meetings of Canadian Political Studies Association, Canadian Sociologists Society, Canadian Association of Geographers, etc.

Peer-reviewed publications (summer-fall 2020)

-Findings of Transversal II could be presented in a peer-reviewed article and/or triangulated and/or used complementarily with findings of Transversal I.

<u>What are the stages of this project?</u>

Research teams in Ottawa-Gatineau and Toronto completed data collection in summer 2019.

The research team in Kitchener-Waterloo will consult with other city-network researchers to coordinate interviews. Interviews will be conducted in summer-fall 2020.

In-depth analysis remains to be completed.

The Montreal team did not respond to any of the multiple emails that were sent since December 2018.

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