

# **Fostering Immigrant Inclusive** Workplaces

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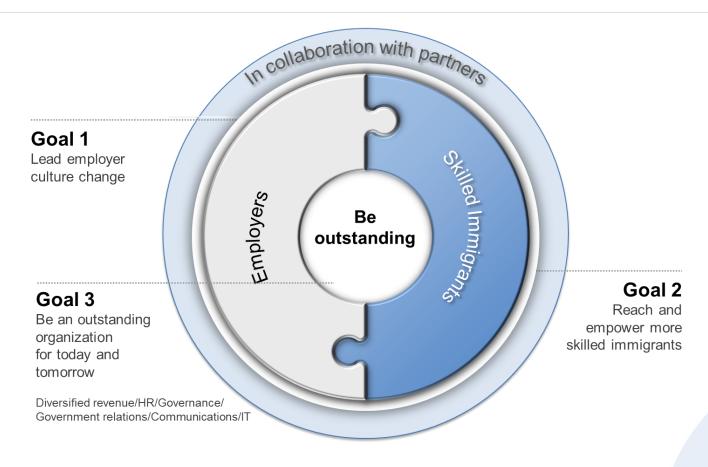
"Canadian-born high-school grads have a better shot at a job than university-educated recent immigrants" (Global News, 2014)

"If immigrant wage gaps and excess unemployment were completely eliminated, it would mean more than \$30B in additional earnings – about 2 per cent of GDP" (RBC Economics Research, 2011)



# TRIEC's Strategic Plan





TRIEC creates long term, large scale, and sustainable change for the working life of skilled immigrants through collaborative, partnership-based approach



# How do we make change?

# We help employers achieve their business goals





# Employer Engagement: Dentons Example (formerly FMC)



#### Why?

Clients engaged in diversity initiatives & required their legal service providers to do so too

#### What?

Involved in The Mentoring Partnership

Helped them develop a paid internship program for an internationally trained lawyers

#### Results?

Won an Immigrant Success Award (2010)

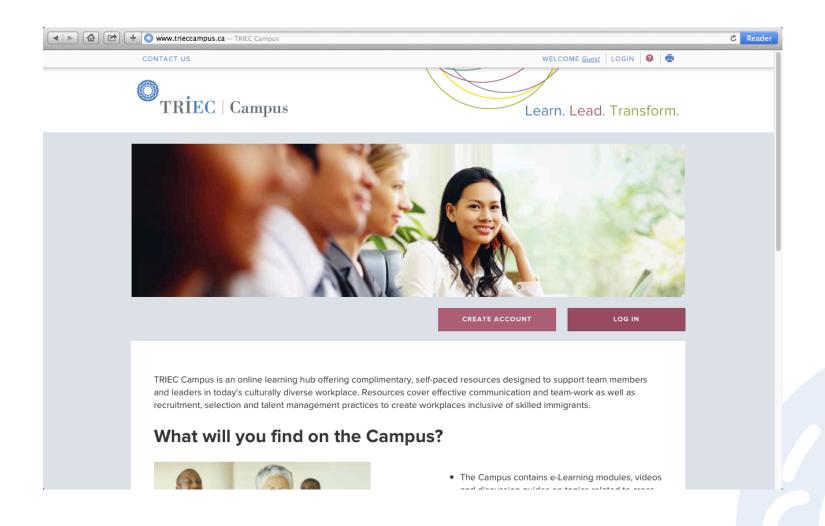
Named Canada's Best Employers for New Canadians (2009 & 2010)

Creation of the Legal Professional Internship Program which became a model the ITLP Bridging Program





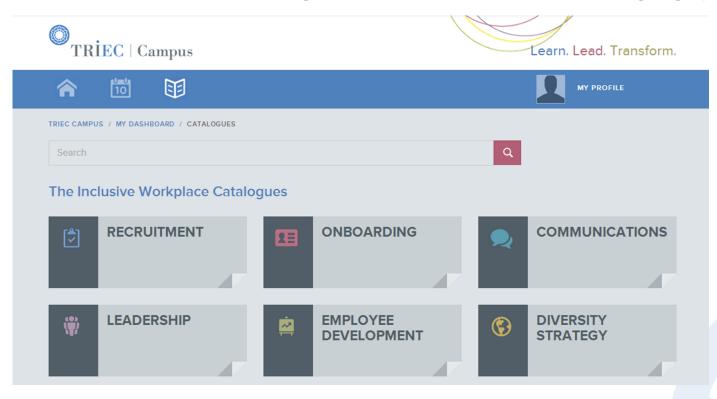




## TRIEC Campus: Content



#### Select content based on organizational needs, knowledge gaps



# TRIEC Campus: Outcomes



#### Campus resource usage:

Resource type	Actual
E-learning modules completed	1,056
Resources downloaded (videos & guides, workshop materials, printable resources	4,064
Registered Users	2,737
Total resource usage	7,857

## TRIEC Campus: RBC Pilot



 RBC published 6 TRIEC Campus e-learning modules on their in-house learning system (RBC Campus)



- 1 module converted in French
- Part of their newcomer on-boarding program
- As of July, 2015:
  - 562 RBC employees used the RBC Campus
- Embedding resources on an employer's platform promotes usage of those resources

### We scale up good ideas





# Occupation-specific mentoring relationships



#### Areas of focus:

Workplace culture in the Canadian context Information about their profession, industry and sector Networking to build professional links

## TMP: Milestones and impact



- 10,00+ mentoring matches to date, 1,300+ annually
- 6,000+ mentors have joined, 700+ new mentors annually
- 75% mentees are employed in their field at 12 months
- 97% of mentors were satisfied with their mentoring experience
- 90% of mentors are more likely to interview and/or hire a skilled immigrant



# TMP: A triple win





#### We Connect to Talent Sources





- Occupation/industryspecific associations for immigrant professionals
- TRIEC works with almost 60 associations
- Provides employers with access to new talent sources

NetworksForImmigrants.ca



# We are always on the look-out for what's next



- Intergovernmental Relations Committee policies, programs, trends impacting immigrant employment
- Research
  - Who are the skilled immigrants in the GTA that are still not meaningfully employed
  - What programs, supports and services are helpful in addition to government-funded services? Who's providing them? What are the outcomes?
- Participate in committees and consultations





# Thank you



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