Research by the P2P Partnership on Linguistic Minorities and Immigration: Results and Perspectives

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What Questions Have We Been Addressing

- What are the outcomes of linguistic minorities in and outside of Quebec?
 - social outcomes
 - economic outcomes
- What is the Welcome-ability of various communities?
 - opportunities for economic and social integration and for political participation

Ravanera, Esses, Rajulton, Hamilton, Lavoie, Lacassagne

- Analysis of pre-existing data sets: Census, Canadian Community Health Survey
- Design and validation of a survey instrument to assess attraction, retention, and integration of Official Language Minority immigrants

The Integration of Immigrants of Differing Official Language Ability and Use in Canada

- 2006 Census Economic
- Work Participation
 - Labour Force Activity
 - Employment Status
 - Hours Work for Pay or in Self-Employment
 - Occupation
- Income
 - Household After Tax Income
 - Individual After Tax Income
 - Wage and Salary Income
 - Low Income Cut-off
 - Dwelling Tenure

- 2007/08 Canadian
 Community Health Survey -Social
 - Perceived Physical Health
 - Perceived Mental Health
 - Perceived Life Stress
 - Life Satisfaction in General
 - Sense of Belonging to Local Community
- Descriptive Analysis
- Multi-variate Analysis
 - Socio-demographic characteristics

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- Where do Anglophone and Francophone immigrants settle?
- What are the individual and community characteristics that predict retention?
- Do Official Language Minority Communities impact immigrant retention?

Haan, Arbuckle, Prokopenko, and Travis

• Analysis of pre-existing data sets: Longitudinal Immigrant Database (IMDB), Harmonized Census Files

What Questions Have We Been Addressing

• What are best practices and strategies for promoting attraction and retention in OLMCs?

Esses, Burstein, Clement, Drolet, et al.

- Strategies for developing performance measurement tools for the RIFs
- Case studies, document analysis

Burstein, Clement, & Petty

• Case studies, document analysis, interviewing

Vatz-Laaroussi, Mulatris, Lemay, Sarenac, & Urra-Rugama

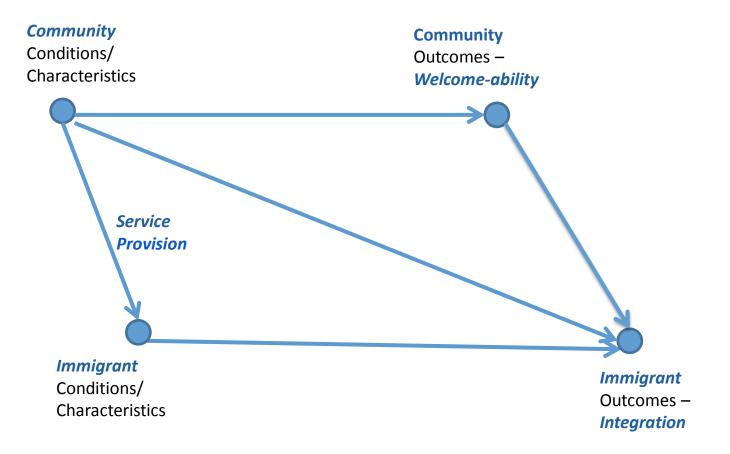
- Comprehensive ethnographic and contextualized approach to identifying promising practices
- Comparative focus

Next Steps

- Putting all the pieces together:
 - Community characteristics
 - Community outcomes
 - Service provision, including promising practices
 - Immigrant characteristics
 - Immigrant outcomes

Next Steps: Comprehensive Research

- Common Concepts
- Common Measures
- Common Geographic Units



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