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Introduction

The Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS) was established by Ryerson Senate in March 2011 and has been in operation since July of the same year. The overall goal of RCIS is to advance policy-related research and scholarship in the areas of immigration and settlement studies, both nationally and internationally.

The establishment of RCIS has occurred in the context of a strong research and teaching presence related to immigration and settlement studies at Ryerson. In particular, Ryerson launched the interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies (ISS) in 2004, and the interdisciplinary PhD Program in Policy Studies with a field of specialize is Immigration, Settlement, and Diaspora Policies in 2009. RCIS's research focus complements these graduate teaching programs.

RCIS aims to be a leader in the transdisciplinary exploration of international migration, integration, and diaspora and refugee studies. In addition to supporting research in these areas, the Centre's mission includes mentoring students and consolidating Ryerson's reputation as the pre-eminent site of knowledge development and exchange with governments, community organizations, and academics.

This report reflects on RCIS's initial year of operation. In particular, it summarizes the Centre's activities and accomplishments, evaluates these activities vis-à-vis RCIS's strategic planning objectives, and outlines future activities and targets.

Summary of Activities and Accomplishments

Since its establishment, RCIS has moved towards implementing the **governance and administrative structure** outlined in the founding document passed by Ryerson Senate. The 2011-2012 RCIS Advisory Committee consisted of six faculty members from the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Community Services, two student representatives from the Policy Studies PhD Program and the ISS Program, and the Academic Director Harald Bauder (Appendix A). A part-time RCIS Coordinator, Thomas (aka Bobby) Cameron provided administrative assistance to the Centre's operations.

The number of **RCIS** affiliates has grown to 31 Ryerson faculty members since the establishment of RCIS (Appendix B). The recruitment of affiliates represents the active pursuit to build a campus-wide community. Most strongly represented among the current affiliates are the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Community services.

RCIS organized and hosted numerous **events**. These events have facilitated multiple strategic goals, including capacity building, partnership development, outreach to the immigration and settlement community, and the enhancement of Ryerson's and RCIS's reputation. The events included:



- Brownbag Presentation Series, catering mainly to RCIS affiliates and graduate students in the ISS and Policy Studies PhD programs. The purpose of the brownbags has been to build synergies and research capacity across campus, and inform affiliates and students about research expertise and interests available across campus.
- Seminars, Roundtable Discussions, Lunch-and-Learn, and Meet-and-Greet:
 These events have been widely attended by the immigration and settlement community and received media exposure. They were supported by wide-ranging collaborations, including with the Canadian Race Relations Foundation, the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, the CAW-Sam Gindin Chair in Social Justice and Democracy, CERIS The Ontario Metropolis Centre, the Network on Age and Generation in Migration Context, the Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI), and Ryerson's Student Union.
- Research Presentations by RCIS guests and visitors to Ryerson.
- Book Events, including the launch of RCIS's first book Immigration and Settlement. These events occurred in collaboration with Ryerson's Ted Rogers School of Management's International Research Institute, the Canadian Entrepreneurship & Innovation Platform, Canadian Scholar's Press, and Penguin Press.
- Information Booths at the 14th National Metropolis Conference and Toronto's World Refugee Day Community Fair; RCIS teamed-up with ISS to present both Ryerson institutions as a collaborative research-education effort to the wider community.

Appendix C provides a list in chronological order of all 2011-2012 RCIS events.

RCIS and its affiliates have contributed significant **publications** to the immigration and settlement field. Most importantly, RCIS was able to launch in partnership with Canadian Scholar's Press the 311-page book *Immigration and Settlement: Challenges, Experiences, and Opportunities*, edited by Harald Bauder. In addition, RCIS affiliate Myer Siemiatycki published the report *The Diversity Gap: The Electoral Under-Representation of Visible Minorities* with DiverseCity, an initiative led by Maytree and the Greater Toronto CivicAction Alliance. Appendix D lists other significant 2011 publications by RCIS affiliates. These 28 publications represent mostly peer-reviewed articles in well-known international journals, as well as book chapters, discussion papers and report. Co-authorship indicates a high level of collaborations between researchers within and beyond the Ryerson community and with graduate students. Furthermore, RCIS affiliate and Advisory Committee member, John Shields, has served as Managing Editor of the *Journal of International Migration and Integration* (JIMI), one of the leading international journals in the immigration and settlement field.

RCIS continues to develop **partnerships** for the purpose of outreach, knowledge transfer and mobilization, creating an infrastructure for research, and seeking research funding. The above-mentioned events have been very successful in facilitating to outreach and knowledge transfer and mobilization. In regard to research infrastructure,



RCIS has partnered with the PhD Program in Policy Studies to create the "2012 Summer Fellowship". Joan Andrew, the former Deputy Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI) in Ontario from 2005 to 2009 and now a RCIS affiliate and Public Servant in Residence in the Department of Politics and Public Administration, has facilitated ongoing discussions to include MCI in this partnership. The selected fellow, Charity Hannan, is currently conducting a policy-relevant research project in consultation with the RCIS research team and the Immigration Policy Branch of MCI and is expected to deliver a discussion paper to be published by RCIS. In addition, RCIS hosted Agnieszka Szewczyk of Loughborough University, UK, who conducted a pilot-project for the development of a research-grant application on Polish graduate migrants in the Toronto area. Moreover, RCIS is engaged in networking activities with colleagues throughout Canada and in Austria, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Israel, Singapore, Switzerland, the UK, the USA, and other countries that could lead to future partnerships.

The development of partnerships is expected to attract **external research funding**. So far, the efforts to attract research-funding have involved participation in grant applications with other research institutions at Ryerson and beyond. For example, RCIS is supporting a SSHRC Partnership Grant application led by Dr. Renee Sieber of McGill University, In addition, RCIS Director, Harald Bauder, is a co-applicant in an application (PI: Morton Beiser) for a CIHR Planning Grant on Canada-France comparisons of mental-health of immigrant children. If this application is successful, the research team will explore and develop RCIS's role in facilitating the research, capacity building, and knowledge transfer. Furthermore, Harald Bauder is a collaborator in an application (PI: Tony Hernandez) to the Canadian Foundation for Innovation (CFI) by Ryerson's Centre for the Study of Commercial Activities (CSCA). RCIS also collaborated with the International Migration Research Centre at Wilfrid Laurier University on a grant application for the Ontario Research Fund (ORF). Although, the program was cancelled before the results were announced, it established a relationship for potential future collaborations. Furthermore, RICS has made a concerted effort to bundle the research expertise among RCIS affiliates, and funneling this expertise towards the acquisition of research funds. Although an initial application in the Fall of 2011 for CFI funding was unsuccessful, the team-building effort of developing the proposal provides an important foundation on the basis which future applications can be developed (e.g. for a SSHRC Partnership Development Grant).

Over the past year, RCIS has taken initial steps to positioning itself strategically in terms of a **funding-raising agenda** towards RICS long-term financial sustainability. In particular, the Office of the Dean of Arts has assisted RCIS in developing a "Case of Support" with the mid-term objective to attract funding from individuals and/or foundations.

Among RCIS's key activities in its first year of operation has been to develop a strategy and infrastructure for effective **communication**. Ryerson's Marketing and Production team developed a RCIS Wordmark and designed a promotional brochure, which RCIS



has distributed widely. The newly established communication infrastructure includes the following:

• Website: <u>www.ryerson.ca/rcis</u>

• Email-list (with currently 220 addresses)

Youtube channel: http://www.youtube.com/user/rcis01

Twitter: RC1S

RCIS has worked closely with Ryerson's Media Relations office for the advertisement of its events and activities. In addition, RCIS was able to receive significant media attention in *The Montreal Gazette*, *The Toronto Star*, *PostMedia News*, and the Ryerson website (Appendix E).

Strategic Planning

An important milestone in RCIS's first year was the development of the <u>RCIS Strategic Plan, 2012-2016</u>. This section evaluates RCIS' activities and accomplishments in relation to the plan's 6 objectives and 8 concrete strategies. These objectives and strategies were aligned with RCIS's founding document and Ryerson University's planning document <u>Shaping Our Future: Academic Plan for 2008-2013</u>.

Objective 1: Scholarly Research and Creative Activities (SRC)

Within this Objective the RCIS Strategic Plan has identified three strategies.

Strategy 1: Providing stimulus and support to increase both the quality and quantity of SRC activities

The publication of the edited volume *Immigration and Settlement* marks a highlight of this year's SRC activities. The strong publication record among RCIS affiliates is an indication for a robust foundation on which to develop future SRC activities. Through the brownbag presentations and other networking activities, RCIS has stimulated interaction and networking among its affiliated faculty and graduate students. In addition, RCIS has undertaken initial steps to bundle the high-caliber research expertise among its affiliates, leading to a joint CFI grant application. RCIS and a team of affiliates are now exploring the possibility of an application for a SSHRC Partnership Development Grant. Furthermore, SRC linkages are being fostered to other research institutions at Ryerson and beyond through collaboration and participation in grants applications.

Strategy 2: Transferring knowledge to the community and engaging policy making

RCIS has been very successful in implementing this strategy. The events, including public seminars, roundtable discussions, lunch-and-learns, and a meet-and-greet have connected RCIS researchers, the settlement community, and policy makers. Several of these events have disseminated SRC outcomes of Ryerson faculty and their



collaborators to the intended audience and beneficiaries in the community and policy making field.

Strategy 3: Pursuing partnerships and collaborations that support SCR activities

An important partnership with growth potential has been initiated between RCIS and the Policy Studies PhD Program, with the possible future inclusion of MCI. RCIS has been successful in initiating connections and establishing relationships with Canadian and international research institutions and individual researchers that provide a foundation for concrete research partnerships in the future. The collaborations with local community partners in organizing events have deepened linkages with potential future community-based research partners.

Objective 2: Student Engagement

Strategy 4: Engaging students in SRC activity opportunities

RCIS has successfully integrated Ryerson graduate students in most of its operations. The Summer Fellow is a student in the Policy Studies PhD program with a specialization in the Immigration, Settlement and Diaspora Policies field. Another student from this program and field has received a year-long stipend as RCIS Coordinator. Two research assistants from the ISS program have been involved in developing RCIS's communication strategy and gained valuable experience in events organizing. All students in the two graduate programs have been invited to RCIS events and many have chosen to participate in these events. Graduate students also served as co-authors of publications by RCIS affiliates (Appendix D).

Objective 3: Research and Learning Environment

Strategy 5: Providing a stimulating working environment and creative space for affiliated faculty and students

RCIS has acquired equipment and furnishing to support its current activities. The Centre is located in an office on the 6th floor of Jorgenson Hall; it has also been able to temporarily use a small office on this floor to accommodate a visitor. Although this space has enabled RCIS to sustain its operations, it is ineffective in fostering meaningful and stimulating interaction between RCIS affiliates and students. A more suitable office space would be coordinated with student space allocated to the ISS and Policy Studies PhD programs. A central location on campus would ensure that RCIS is accessible and visible to researchers and students across campus as well as guests and visitors from other universities and communities.



Objective 4: Funding

Strategy 6: Developing a sustainable funding model for ongoing RCIS activities and administration

Basic funding has been provided by the Office of the Provost, Dean of Arts and Dean of Community Services for the first five years of RCIS's operation. A relative conservative approach towards fundraising has been taken in the first year of RCIS existence, to ensure that fundraising efforts do not infringe on important team- and identity-building activities. Nevertheless, RCIS has begun developing a coordinated funding-raising agenda and is planning the increasingly aggressive pursuit of funding sources over the next four years.

Objective 5: Administration and Governance

Strategy 7: Maintaining effective governance and administration to meet RCIS objectives

RCIS has implemented an effective governance and management structure. The current RCIS Advisory Committee equally represents the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Community Services, as well as students in the ISS and Policy Studies PhD programs. A part-time coordinator and student research assistants have helped to successfully conduct RCIS activities.

Objective 6: Reputation

Strategy 8: Communicating effectively with the external community and stakeholders about the value and quality of RCIS activities

RCIS events, exposure in mainstream media, and the active participation in social media have enhanced the reputation of RCIS and Ryerson University. In particular, locally-relevant and the applied nature of RCIS events have contributed to Ryerson's role as a City Builder. Partnerships and collaborations in organizing these events have been extraordinarily effective in expanding RCIS's communication network.

Future Outlook and Targets

In the 2012-2013 academic year RCIS will continue to organize and host the brownbag presentations, roundtables, seminars, book events, etc. and maintain a presence on immigration and settlement-related conferences. Through collaboration with partners within and outside the Ryerson community, RCIS will continue to build capacity, establish partnerships, reach out to the immigration and settlement community, host visitors (e.g. Robin Peace of Massey University, New Zealand, and Agnieszka Szewczyk of Loughborough University, UK) and enhance Ryerson's and RCIS's reputation.

An important event will be the international conference *Immigration and Settlement: Precarious Futures?* The conference will be held on May 15-17, 2013, at the Ted



Rogers School of Management, and will be modeled on the very successful 2010 conference *Migration and the Global City*, which drew more than 250 participants from four continents. The conference will serve as a platform to develop and/or deepen partnerships with the Diversity Institute and other institutions at Ryerson and beyond.

The below targets are organized to reflect the strategies of the *RCIS Strategic Plan*, 2012-2016:

Stimulate and support to SRC activities:

- Continue team-building efforts (e.g. brownbag presentations) among affiliated faculty and partners
- Continue developing research-funding agenda (e.g. explore applying for SSHRC Partnership Development Grant)
- Continue collaborating within and beyond Ryerson community in grant applications
- The international conference *Immigration and Settlement* will stimulate SRC engagement and possibly lead to the publication of journal-articles and/or a book

Knowledge transfer and mobilization to the community and engaging policy making:

- Continue RCIS events (e.g. seminars, roundtables, lunch-and-learns)
- Continue to develop and strengthen partnerships in co-organizing events
- Continue to advertise RCIS to Ryerson researchers as effective infrastructure to disseminate SRC output to community, policy makers, and stakeholders
- The international conference *Immigration and Settlement* will facilitate knowledge transfer and mobilization.

Partnerships and collaborations that support SCR activities

- Initiating and possibly expanding partnership with MCI and other levels of government
- Continue developing partnership with ISS and Policy Studies PhD Programs, and possibly other programs/institutions at Ryerson
- Continue networking activities with researchers and research institutions within Canada and internationally
- Strengthen and expand partnerships with local community-based partners

Student Engagement

- Explore and develop annual research assistantship and student-placement agreement with ISS
- Continue to engage graduate students in the administration of RCIS and events organizing
- Involve students in the organization of the international conference Immigration and Settlement



• Involve undergraduate research assistance in support of possible SRC activities

Research and Learning Environment

 Accelerate efforts to secure highly-visible and permanent space on campus, preferably shared with ISS and Policy Studies PhD students

Funding-Raising

- Continue developing fund-raising strategy towards long-term sustainability of RCIS
- Cautiously accelerate and expand fund-raising efforts
- Cultivate relationships with foundations and individuals through the international conference *Immigration and Settlement*

Administration and Governance

- Maintain effective and collegial interaction and coordination between the RCIS Director, Advisory Committee, and administration
- Expand RCIS Advisory Board to include community stakeholders
- Continue building campus-wide representation among RCIS affiliates and reach out to researchers throughout the Ryerson community

Reputation

- Continue organizing high-profile events, engaging with media, actively participating in social media, and fostering collaborations within and beyond the Rverson community
- Advertise international conference *Immigration and Settlement* to international and national researchers, community stake holders, and the general public.



Appendices

Appendix A: RCIS Advisory Committee (2011-2012)

Faculty Members:

- Mehrunisa Ali
- Harald Bauder (Chair)
- Francis Hare
- John Shields
- Myer Siemiatycki
- Vappu Tyyskä
- June Yee

Graduate Students:

- Frederica Gomes (Policy Studies PhD Program)
- Roza Azizi-Namini (Immigration and Settlement Studies Program)

Appendix B: Affiliated Faculty

- **Joan Andrew:** Public Servant in Residence in the Department of Politics and Public Administration and former Deputy Minister of Citizenship and Immigration in Ontario (2005 to 2009). She has worked within government on immigration policy, employment equity, women's issues and labour market policy.
- Sandeep Kumar Agrawal: Professor in the School of Urban and Regional Planning and director of the Master of Planning program. Research expertise: urban design; design review; ethnic enclaves; impact of ethnicity and multiculturalism on planning policies.
- Mehrunnisa Ahmad Ali: Associate Professor in the School of Early Childhood Education and the Ryerson Director of the Centre of Excellence in Immigration and Settlement, the Ontario Metropolis Centre (CERIS). Research expertise: newcomer children, youth, and families; parent—teacher relations; preparation of teachers to work with diverse populations.
- Tariq Amin-Khan: Associate Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Research expertise: the security state and securitization; the postcolonial state; capitalist globalism and international development; political and militant Islam; comparative study of multiculturalism, nationalism, and issues of South Asian state and society.
- **Sedef Arat-Koc:** Associate Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Research Expertise: Canadian immigration policy, specifically policies affecting immigrant women; multiculturalism and racism; imperialism; Turkish state and society in the context of neoliberalism and post-Cold War geopolitics.



- Harald Bauder: Associate Professor in the Graduate Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies (ISS) and the Department of Geography. Research expertise: political economy of immigration and settlement; labour market experiences of immigrants; immigration discourses in Canada and Germany.
- Morton Beiser: Professor of Distinction in the Department of Psychology, Founding Director and Senior Scientist, Ontario Metropolis Centre of Excellence for Research on Immigration and Settlement (CERIS). Research expertise: resettlement and health; international health; immigrant and refugee families and children; identity, discrimination and health; immigrants and the health care system.
- Roma Chumak-Horbatsch: Associate Professor in the School of Early Childhood Studies. Research expertise: language and literacy learning of young immigrant children, immigrant language parenting, home language maintenance and loss, classroom practices that promote multilingualism and multi-literacies.
- **Marco Fiola:** Associate Professor in and Chair of the Department of French and Spanish. Research expertise: language policies and language barriers in the public sector.
- Grace-Edward Galabuzi: Associate Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration and a research associate at the Centre for Social Justice. Research expertise: local community responses to global economic restructuring in the global North and South; the racialization of the Canadian labour market; social exclusion and the social economic status of racialized groups in Canada.
- Usha George: Professor and Dean, Faculty of Community Services. Research
 expertise: social work with diverse communities, focusing on three areas: social
 development; newcomer settlement and integration; and diversity and organizational
 change
- **Sutama Ghosh:** Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography. Research expertise: migration and settlement geographies; transnationalism; urban social geography; critical "race" theories; postcolonial theories; theories of space.
- **Manavi Handa:** Assistant Professor, Midwifery Education Program in the Faculty of Community Services. Research expertise: care for immigrant and refugee women, access to care for uninsured pregnant women, care for marginalized populations including language barriers and cultural appropriate care.
- Francis Hare: Professor in (and former director of) the School of Child and Youth Care and Director of the MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies. Research expertise: youth in transition from care; the evaluation of services for children and youth; the experience of separated immigrant and refugee youth in care.
- **Tony Hernandez**:Professor in Geography, Director of the Centre for the Study of Commercial Activity (CSCA). Research expertise: ethnic retailing, retail development, geo-visualization and business geomatics.
- Kenise Murphy Kilbride: Professor Emerita; Senior Scholar at CERIS: The Ontario Metropolis Centre. Research expertise: settlement and integration of immigrant



children, youth, families, and seniors; challenges in the acquisition of proficiency in English as an additional language.

- Mustafa Koc: Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology. Research expertise: food studies, security, and policy; globalization; sociology of migration.
- Anne-Marie Lee-Loy: Assistant Professor in the Department of English. Research expertise: theories and representations of cultural and national identities; the relationship between literature and the production of knowledge, with an emphasis on Asian experiences in the America; Chinese Caribbean fiction.
- April Lindgren: Assistant professor of journalism in School of Journalism and director of the Ryerson Journalism Research Centre. Research expertise: local news; journalism and urban affairs; the role of ethnocultural media in shaping newcomers' sense of place and attitudes toward diversity; ethnocultural media and election coverage.
- Henry Parada: Associate Professor in the School of Social Work. Research
 expertise: analysis of institutional practices; social work epistemology; institutional
 ethnography methodology; Latin America social work; community development; antioppression; child welfare.
- Arthur Ross: Professor in the Department of Politics and School of Public Administration. Research expertise: immigration policy and the history of the role of communal solidarity in establishing immigrant self-help organizations.
- **Daniel Rubenson:** Assistant Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Research expertise: political behaviour and electoral studies; campaign effects; leadership; political communication; political participation.
- John Mackie Shields: Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Research expertise: immigration policy; multiculturalism; social integration.
- **Myer Siemiatycki:** Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration and the first director of the MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies. Research expertise: civic participation of immigrants in Toronto.
- Aparna Sundar: Assistant Professor in the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Research expertise: immigrant and transnational political organizing and citizenship; capitalist development, displacement, and resistance in South Asia; political ecology.
- Vappu Tyyskä: Professor in the Department of Sociology and former Director of the MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies. Research expertise: immigrant families and youth.
- Mandana Vahabi: Associate Professor in the Daphne Cockwell school of Nursing and Co-Director of Centre for Global Health and Health Equity. Research expertise: immigrant health, particularly women's health, socio-cultural determinants of health, health literacy and access to primary and secondary health care services.



- Lu Wang: Associate Professor in the Department of Geography. Research expertise: health, immigration, access to health care, retail geography, ethnic retail, GIS, mixed-method approaches.
- **Shuguang Wang:** Professor in the Department of Geography. Research expertise: immigrants' settlement patterns; immigrants' economic performance; ethnic economy.
- **Karline Wilson-Mitchell:** Assistant Professor, Midwifery Education Program in the Faculty of Community Services. Research expertise: perinatal outcomes of uninsured new immigrant and refugee mothers and newborns, mental health issues affecting new immigrant and refugee women.
- **June Yee:** Associate Professor in the School of Social Work. Research expertise: race and racism; access and equity issues for ethno-racial minority clientele in health, education, and social services.



Appendix C: RCIS Events

Brownbag Presentation: Delineating Ethnoburbs in Metropolitan Toronto

October 28, 2011 Jorgenson Hall

Speakers: Dr. Shuguang Wang (Ryerson)

Brownbag Research Presentation: Sri Lankan Overcrowding Among Sri Lankan Tamils in Toronto

November 04, 2011 Jorgenson Hall Speakers: Dr. Sutama Ghosh (Ryerson)

Book Event: Ling Zhang, author of Gold Mountain Blues

November 10, 2011 Ted Rogers School of Management,

Speakers: Ling Zhang

Partners: International Research Institute of TRSM, The Canadian Entrepreneurship &

Innovation Platform (CEIP); Pinguin Press

Brownbag Research Presentation: In Light of Insite: Does 'Policy-Relevant Research' Influence Policy in Immigration and Settlement?

November 11, 2011 Jorgenson Hall Speakers: Dr. Francis Hare (Ryerson)

Seminar: Aging and Immigration

November 18, 2011 Kerr Hall East

Speakers: Dr. Kenise Murphy Kilbride (Ryerson University), Dr. Atsuko Matsuoka (York

University)

Partners: MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies, CERIS – The Ontario

Metropolis Centre, the Network on Age and Generation in Migration Context

Book Launch: Immigration and Settlement: Challenges, Experiences, and Opportunities

January 17, 2012 The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education

Speakers: Dr. Kenise Murphy Kilbride (Ryerson University)

Partner: Canadian Scholars' Press

Brownbag Research Presentation: Making Ontario Home: Methodological Issues

January 20, 2012 Jorgenson Hall Speakers: Dr. Mehru Ali (Ryerson)

Roundtable: Race, Identity, and Belonging: A Generation Gap?

February 17, 2012 Ted Rogers School of Management

Speakers: Debbie Douglas (OCASI), Dr. Mehru Ali (Ryerson University), Joe Friesen

(The Globe and Mail)

Partner: Canadian Race Relations Foundation



Information Booth: 14th National Metropolis Conference

February 09 – March 03, 2012 Westin Harbour Castle, Toronto

Partner: Ryerson MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies

Brownbag Research Presentation: Economic Disparities among South Asian Immigrants in Canada

March 21, 2012 Jorgenson Hall

Speaker: Dr. Sandeep Agrawal (Ryerson)

Research Presentation: Polish Graduate Migrants in the UK

April 03, 2012 Jorgenson Hall

Speaker: Aga Szewczyk (visiting scholar)

Lunch and Learn: Welcome to Canada? The Latest Immigration and Refugee Bill C-31

April 04, 2012 Oakham House, Ryerson University

Speakers: Debbie Douglas (OCASI), Nathalie Des Rosiers (Canadian Civil Liberties Association), Myer Siematycki (Ryerson University), Avvy Go (Metro Toronto and Southeast Asian Legal Clinic)

Partners: Canadian Civil Liberties Association, OCASI, Ryerson Students' Union, CAW-Sam Gindin Chair in Social Justice and Democracy

Roundtable Discussion: Let Us Listen to Your Side - Understanding the Problems Faced by the Managers and Front-Line Workers of the Non-Profit Sector

April 13, 2012 George Vari Engineering and Computing Centre

Speakers: Amanuel Melles (The United Way), S. Gopi Krishna (Scarborough Housing Help Centre), Richard De Gaetano (Etobicoke-Social Planning Toronto), Andrea Bryan (The United Way), Dr. Sutama Ghosh (Ryerson University)

Year-End Brownbag Review

April 25, 2012, Jorgenson Hall Invited: all RCIS affiliates

Meet and Greet: Knowledge Sharing on Canadian Immigration

May 22, 2012 The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education

Speakers: Jessica Farias (Mennonite New Life Centre), Gerard Keledjian (OCASI), Jull

Snider Lum (Canadian Newcomer Magazine)

Partner: OCASI

Information Booth: Toronto's World Refugee Day Community Fair

June 20, 2012 Dundas Square

Partner: Ryerson MA Program in Immigration and Settlement Studies



Appendix D: Publications

RCIS Publications

Bauder, Harald (ed.). (2012). *Immigration and Settlement: Challenges, Experiences, and Opportunities*. Toronto: Canadian Scholars Press.

Siemiatycki, Myer. (2011). *The Diversity Gap: The Electoral Under-Representation of Visible Minorities*. DiverseCity: The Greater Toronto Leadership Project.

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