



# RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

We would like to invite you to participate in our research study, "Why Migrants Stay in Small and Mid-sized Canadian Cities: a comparative case study approach."

## To participate, you must be:



- 18 years or older
- Living in one of these cities/regions or within 100 kilometers of these cities/regions for at least 3 years:
  - Ontario: Grey and Bruce Counties, Lanark and Renfrew Counties, or North Bay
  - British Columbia: Campbell River, Comox Valley, or North Vancouver Island
  - Saskatchewan: Moose Jaw
- An immigrant or refugee to Canada
- Have arrived in Canada in 2018 or before
- Have an active email address
- Can communicate in English
- Participants must agree to be audio-recorded during the focus group

## What is our study about?



The purpose of the study is to gather information on how migrants experience living in smaller cities. By participating in this research you will help us understand what smaller centres can do to welcome newcomers and meet their needs.

## What does participation involve?

### Focus Groups:



You will be invited to participate in a 1.5-hour discussion, with up to 5 participants. We will ask about your experiences and reasons for staying in a small city. We will hold 2 focus groups per region.

### Consent to participate:

If you want to participate, please fill out the consent form and survey [HERE](#).

Participation in each part of this research study is voluntary.

### Survey (Optional):



We will ask some questions about you and where you came from. The survey should take 5 minutes for you to finish.

### Incentive:



Each participant in the focus groups will receive a \$25 (CAD) Amazon gift card.

If you have any questions about the study, please contact us at the **Canada Excellence Research Chair program in Migration and Integration, Ryerson University:**



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For questions regarding your rights as a participant in this study, please contact:

### Research Ethics Board

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