Linking Higher Education and Employer Data to Improve our Understanding of Labour Market Insertion of International Students

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The number of international students in Canada grew by 68% between 2014 and 2018 and represented about 12% of total enrolments in 2016-17. The growing presence of this group has important consequences for Canada’s migration and integration policy since 20-27% of international students become permanent residents. The need to understand labour market integration of international students is growing. This presentation outlines the data that can inform the trajectories that international students take to become a part of the Canadian labour force, and the resources produced by Statistics Canada to understand the long-term outcomes of international students. Data sets to be discussed include: 1) National Graduates Survey (2018), 2) Education and Labour Market Longitudinal Linkage Platform (ELMLP), and 3) Graduate Satisfaction Surveys.