

# New Perspectives on Institutions and Immigration in Second-tier Cities

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# Presentation Format

- Overview of the literature
- New perspectives for the research
- Conclusions

# Approaches in Second-tier Cities: The Ontario Context

Lack of empirical studies

- Walton-Roberts (2004)
- Di Biase and Bauder (2005)
- Brochu and Abu-Ayyash (2006)
- Block (2006)
- Mulholland (2006)

# New Perspectives

- An empirical study of Filipino immigrants in three of Ontario's second-tier cities  
“Local, Regional And Transnational Networks And The Integration And Settlement Dispersal Of Filipino Immigrants”

# Participants

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# Research Methods

## Research themes

- a) Immigration histories and employment trajectories
- b) Transnational networks and linkages
- c) Importance of local institutions and “gateway” cities

# Expected time-table

- May–Aug. 2006: basic preparations (ethics approval, logistical planning)
- Sept.–Nov. 2006. Sample development.
- Dec-Feb. 2007. Interview survey and analysis.
- Mar.-Apr. 2007: Dissemination, including 9<sup>th</sup> National Metropolis Conference