

CONNECTING CANADA

Helping newcomers start their career and settlement journeys in Smaller, Urban and Rural communities across Canada



ACCES is a leading employment services organization that provides innovative programs to jobseekers and employers.

The Connecting Canada project believes that as more newcomers hear about opportunities to live, work, and grow in communities outside of major metropolitan areas before arriving, more can choose to start their Canadian journeys there.

Through this project, individuals can learn more about the range of communities they could choose to settle in, be connected to employers motivated to hire newcomers, and learn about the services they can access to help them integrate into the community and embark on a new career.

Program Details



E-learning content and live webinars to help pre-arrival immigrants recognize the opportunities in non-traditional landing communities



Networking events to build connections between pre-arrival immigrants and professionals in smaller communities



Hiring events to help employers in smaller communities connect with and hire immigrant talent

Program Benefits



Newcomers taking part in Connecting Canada will be able to make more informed choices about their settlement options.



Participants will gain access to opportunities in smaller urban, and rural communities that are actively seeking to welcome and support newcomers as they settle and build their new lives in Canada.



Employers outside of major metropolitan areas will have access to a talent pool of newcomers, to help them address persistent skills and labour shortages.



Policymakers and service providers will benefit from the knowledge and evidence gathered through the Connecting Canada project.



Smaller, urban and rural communities build newcomer capacity by providing tailored resources, fostering local partnerships, and enhancing infrastructure to support their successful integration.

Program Eligibility



All communities in Canada outside of Quebec with populations of 100,000 or less are eligible to participate in the project.



Project activities support newcomers by helping them begin their career and settlement journey through connections to employers, access to job opportunities, and services that promote successful integration into Smaller, Urban, and Rural (SUR) communities.

For any questions regarding program details or eligibility, please contact the program team by emailing connectingcanada@acesemployment.ca

Visit our website to learn more:

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You belong in a career that aligns with your interests and abilities. ACCES will provide you with the support, coaching, and connections you need to realize your full potential and make a lasting impact.

57,000+

EACH YEAR

5,700+

EMPLOYERS IN OUR NETWORK
FOR YOU TO CONNECT WITH

40+

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE
DELIVERING EMPLOYMENT
& RECRUITMENT SERVICES



How can we help you find a job?



Job search support

and guidance including customized one-to-one support and a variety of job search workshops



Specialized services

for women, trades, bilingual (English/French).



ACCES Employment offers a

wide variety of sector-specific programs to support internationally trained professionals in finding work in their field. Call or visit any of **our locations** to meet with an Employment Consultant who will help you get started. No appointment is required.



Online services & programs:

- Connecting Canada (pre-arrival)
- Webinars and online resources



Connections to employers

who are hiring through job fairs, networking, mentoring and employment opportunities

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