

## Immigrants in Canada's Workforce: How Do They Fare?

This presentation will provide a broad overview of the Canadian immigration system and associated economic issues. It will primarily comprise a discussion of trends over the last few decades in immigration policy and in the labour market outcomes of new immigrants. We will address the well-known decline in the labour market outcomes of new immigrants, as well as the reasons for that decline and many of the policy changes enacted over the same time period.

Arthur Sweetman is a Professor in the **Department of Economics** at **McMaster University** in Hamilton where he holds the Ontario Research Chair in Health Human Resources. His interests focus primarily on empirical economic issues related to the health labour market and related policies, as well as general labour market, social, and health policy.

The economics and policy of Canadian immigration is a particular focus of his research and he is currently pursuing projects looking at internationally educated health professionals. In 2010 two of his coedited volumes were published by McGill-Queen's University Press: *Canadian Immigration: Economic Evidence for a Dynamic Policy Environment* (co-edited with Ted McDonald, Elizabeth Ruddick, and Christopher Worswick), and *Pursuing Higher Education in Canada: Economic, Social, and Policy Dimensions* (co-edited with Ross Finnie, Marc Frenette, and Rick Mueller). Other research topics include economic issues in education, program evaluation, poverty, employment insurance, and microfinance.



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