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Kristyn Frank is a senior researcher in the Social Analysis and Modelling Division at Statistics Canada, where she has worked since 2011. She holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Waterloo. Prior to working at Statistics Canada, Dr. Frank was a SSHRC postdoctoral fellow at the University of Guelph and a research analyst at the Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario. Her research primarily focuses on the social and economic integration of immigrants, with particular interest in the labour market outcomes, educational attainment, and subjective well-being of immigrants in Canada. She also conducts research on the skills and employment of postsecondary graduates. Her work has been published in various academic journals including *International Migration Review*, *Canadian Studies in Population*, and *Journal of Marriage and Family*. Dr. Frank is also co-chair of the Canadian Sociological Association's Applied Sociology Research Cluster.

Cultural influences across time and space: How salient are source-country characteristics in immigrants' economic and social behaviour?

Studies examining immigrant integration typically focus on how structural elements of the host society affect immigrants' social and economic outcomes. However, immigrants' lives are also shaped by factors beyond the borders of their new society. The skills, behaviours, and preferences developed in immigrants' source countries continue to affect their experiences after migration. This is particularly true for immigrant women, as their participation in the social and economic realms of the host society may be influenced by the prevailing gender role attitudes of their source country. This presentation will discuss results from various empirical studies that examine the saliency of source-country characteristics among immigrants in Canada. In particular, the extent to which source-country gender roles are associated with immigrant women's labour force activities and the educational attainment of immigrant children will be examined. The presentation will also highlight some of the linked data files that Statistics Canada has recently constructed and address their use in advancing research on immigration and mobility issues.

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4:00 pm, SSC 5220

Refreshments at 3:30pm in SSC 5230

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