

Studying Canada

An informational resource for international Canadianists

CANADA'S DIVERSITY AND ITS MANAGEMENT

BACKGROUND

The study of Canada's diversity and its management has been a long-standing feature of international Canadian Studies, especially in countries where the Canadian model is seen as instructive to support local efforts. Canada's adaptations to increasing diversity after the Second World War have become a symbol of Canadian identity, notably through its multiculturalist model, which has been both lauded and criticized from various perspectives.

Whereas the management of Canada's diversity includes questions around gender and sexuality, class and accessibility, the inability of Canadian institutions to handle racism have been front and centre. From the Black Lives Matter movement to an escalation in anti-Asian racism during the COVID-19 pandemic, Canadian institutions have struggled in dealing with systemic racism and engaging with the concerns of racialized communities.

RESEARCH INSIGHTS

Multiculturalism, diversity, race and racism are prevalent topics in the teaching and research agendas of international Canadianists. Not always the most important as a standalone category, it finds its significance when combined with themes connected to diversity, such as immigration, settlement and transnationalism, gender and sexuality, and nationalism, national identities and populism.

This is evident in the teaching agenda of international Canadianists where the most difficult themes to teach include a series of diversity-related topics, such as nationalism, gender and sexuality, immigration and official languages.

In terms of research, many diversity-related topics have been identified by international Canadianists as lacking materials for them to pursue their scholarships, including cultural practices, multiculturalism, and gender and sexuality.

RESOURCES

[Mosaic Institute](#)

Resources for students, teachers and organisations to dismantle prejudice in Canada.

[Maytree Foundation](#)

Reports and information to advance solutions for poverty as well as economic and social rights.

[Egale Canada](#)

Research reports related to the issues faced by 2SLGBTQIA+ peoples.

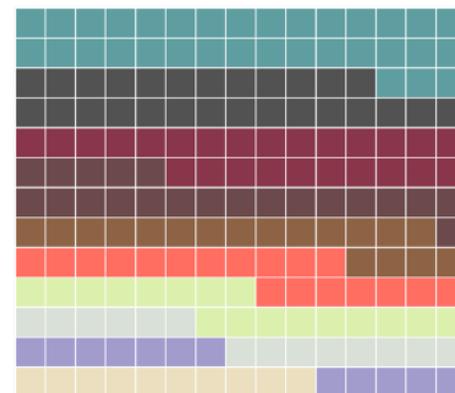
[Atlantis: Critical Studies in Gender, Culture, and Social Studies](#)

A journal focused on social justice, notably through the lens of gender and sexuality studies.

[Canadian Journal of Disability Studies](#)

A journal of critical disability studies, committed to disability rights.

MOST DIFFICULT TEACHING TOPICS



RESEARCH TOPICS WITH LESS MATERIALS

