

Rural Research Centres Network

The Rural Research Centres Network (R2CN) is one of seven networks within the Rural Policy Learning Commons. R2CN aims to support, engage, and mobilize rural research centres working within higher education, non-profit, public, and private sector contexts across Canada and internationally to amplify their impact and policy relevance. This network was initiated in 2017 and activities have included conducting a survey among research centres in post-secondary institutions working on rural issues in Canada to identify capacities and challenges. R2CN's membership includes largely Canadian researchers, but rural research centres in the U.S. and Europe in RPLC's network are also encouraged to participate.

The Rural Research Centres Network has been exploring the following areas of interest:

Substantive:

- Core competencies and research and policy areas of rural research centres
- Key impacts of rural research centres at local, regional and national levels
- Role of rural research in regional development and governance
- Advocacy for federal rural policy development
- Strengthening collaboration between rural research centres

Structural:

- Institutional governance of rural research centres
- Supports provided as well as those needed by rural research centres

Join the Rural Research Centres Network and RPLC

As a member of the Rural Research Centres Network, you will be connected to individual researchers and institutes working on a variety of rural topics across North America and Europe. You may be able to receive updates about relevant webinars, conferences, and other events happening in the network, access funding support to attend rural conferences, and have a chance to influence research work conducted by the network. Additionally, membership in RPLC provides you with the following benefits:

- Newsletters and social media updates
- Logistic support for webinars & web meetings
- In-person connections at conferences
- Access to online resources (reports, news updates)
- Support for conferences, institutes, publications, distance learning, student travel
- Members-only resources on RPLC website

RPLC's Other Rural Policy Networks:

- Migration in Remote and Rural Areas
- Natural Resources Development
- Rural Governance
- Rural Renewable Energy
- Transformations in Indigenous Communities
- RPLC-CRRF Alliance

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