

## RESEARCH TEAM

The YISP partnership is led by **Dr. Lucia Lo**, Department of Geography at York University and Economic Domain Leader, CERIS – Toronto. Her credentials include successful management of numerous research projects. Most recently, she was the principal investigator for a multidisciplinary study of immigrants’ access to settlement services in Toronto, Vancouver, and Montreal. She has just completed a two-year term on the Research Management Committee of GEOIDE, one of Canada’s network centres of excellence that promotes the use of geomatics in decision making.

Each team member brings complementary research skills and experience to the project:

**Dr. Paul Anisef** is one of Canada’s best-known researchers in the area of immigration. Currently, co-Director, CERIS, the Centre of Excellence for Research on Immigration and Settlement – Toronto, he is part of a SSHRC-funded research project examining the impact of foreign education on the economic success of recent immigrants.

A new scholar whose research acumen has been recognized by recent awards from SSHRC and CERIS, **Dr. Ranu Basu** has an enviable publication and research record concerning social justice issues within urban education and extensive experience using and teaching GIS.

Formerly Director of the Institute for Social Research and Associate Director of CERIS, **Dr. Valerie Preston** is currently investigating the housing conditions of immigrants and refugees in Canada’s largest metropolitan areas.

**Dr. Shuguang Wang** from Ryerson University is the former Graduate Director of the joint Masters program in Spatial Analysis, a position that recognized his expertise in all types of spatial analysis including Geographical Information Systems. He has led several pioneering studies of access to settlement services in the City of Toronto.

To take advantage of each person’s research expertise, each team member has taken responsibility for a different component of the research.

Name	Affiliation	Data Collection	Analysis
Lucia Lo	Geography, York	Census information	Spatial analysis of access
Paul Anisef	Sociology, York	York Region Survey	Employment/business services
Ranu Basu	Geography, York	Advise re census information	Educational services
Valerie Preston	Geography, York	Human services database	Housing Services
Shuguang Wang	Geography, Ryerson	Advise re services database	Settlement services