The International and Cross-Cultural Psychology Section (ICCP)

What is ICCP? The ICCP section aims to help psychologists and other interested professionals to think about cultural diversity. We encourage the exchange of information and ideas, and promote research and learning on issues of ethnicity and culture. We also aim to be inclusive and to provide a supportive intellectual environment for our members. The section's commitment to intellectual and cultural diversity is reflected in the invited speakers, symposia, talks, and posters that are organized by ICCP at the CPA annual conferences.

Who are the members? We are Canadian, culturally diverse and active locally and internationally. Currently, ICCP has 68 psychologists and 189 student members who conduct research in a wide array of domains including (but not limited to): the examination of inter- and intra-cultural variation across all areas of cognition, affect and behaviour; individual and group relations and acculturation issues within and across cultures; prejudice and discrimination; and intercultural communication and training. A number of our members, in addition to developing psychological awareness of cultural diversity, are dedicated to the application of this knowledge to the resolution of social problems and policy making.

What are the benefits of joining ICCP? The ICCP section organizes a wide range of conference presentations and holds a social hour at the annual CPA congress. We also have a listserv for section members. We provide a forum for our members to inform, update and debate with each other. We circulate conference news and updates, and arrange student and faculty activities at conferences. Membership for students is free and we have student awards every year.

How do I get more information? Please visit our website for membership information, list of section executives, conference information, and student awards: (<u>http://tonks.disted.camosun.bc.ca/iccp</u>). Please direct your comments, questions, and concerns to the ICCP Chair.

We would like to invite CPA members to join our active, diverse, and growing section and help us to make Canada, and the world, a better place by increasing the cultural sophistication of psychological knowledge, by promoting policies based on this knowledge and by fostering increased understanding across cultures.

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