

David Este

Award Recipient

Lee Lorch Award



David Este is a professor at the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary. The majority of his research has focused on different aspects of the immigrant/refugee experience in Canada. He has also been involved in research studies that examined the health and well-being of people of African descent in Canada, and HIV/AIDS service utilization by African newcomers in Calgary. He was Co-PI of the Strength in Unity Project that focused on stigma, mental health and men from Asian communities. David is co-author of one book, co-editor of four volumes, and has published several journal articles and book chapters focused on issues related to immigration and diversity.

During his career, he has worked extensively with a number of nonprofit organizations including but not

limited to the United Way of Calgary, Woods' Homes, and the Coalition for Equal Access to Education.

In January 2019, David was part of a team that received the Governor General's Award in History for Community Programming for the documentary entitled, *We Are the Roots: Black Settlers and Their Experiences of Discrimination on the Canadian Prairies*.