## What is IMPRINT?

**IMPRINT is a national coalition** of nonprofits helping underemployed skilled immigrants to start their American careers.

#### IMPRINT:

- Creates and disseminates resources
- Advocates for policies that facilitate immigrant integration
- Broadcasts best practices and builds national connections



#### "Skilled" Immigrants

#### Who are we talking about?

>Immigrants/refugees/asylees with university education and/or professional experience earned abroad, seeking to work in their profession or pursue further education to qualify for a new career.





### "Skilled" Immigrants

▶7.2 Million college-educated immigrants in the U.S. (2014 data)



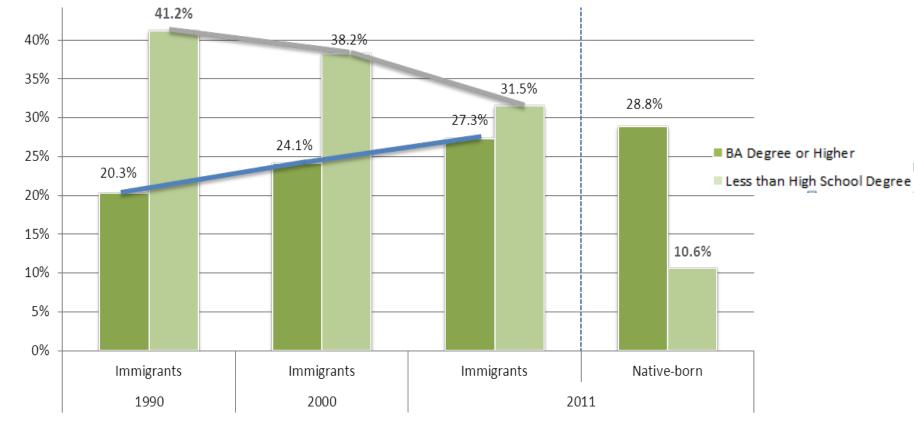
28% are Limited English Proficient (LEP) (2012 data)

More than 50% obtained their degrees abroad (2014 data)



#### National Trends – Skilled Immigrants

Immigrants with University Degree vs. Less than HS (Foreign-born, over 25 from 1990-2011)

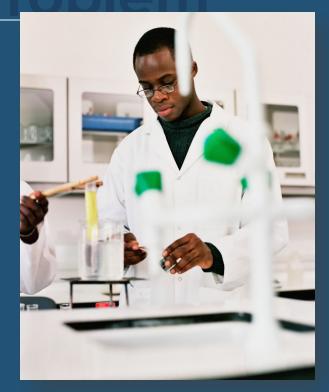


Percentage

# The National Scope of the "Brain Waste" Problem

>OVERALL, **1.6 million** college-educated immigrants\* in the U.S. are unemployed or underemployed

\* ages 25 and older in the U.S. civilian labor force Source: Migration Policy Institute, 2014



### The Missed Opportunity

Many have the very skills that are in high-demand in our economy – health care, engineering, sciences, etc.



