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)
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.