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List of Acronyms

ACPQ: Association des collèges privés du Québec	DEI: Diversity, equity and inclusion
AQPC: Association québécoise de pédagogie collégiale	FECQ: Fédération étudiante collégiale du Québec
ARC: Association pour la recherche au collégial	AI: Artificial Intelligence
BCI: Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire	MES: Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur
CAPRES: Consortium d'animation sur la persévérance et la réussite en enseignement supérieur	ORES: Observatoire sur la réussite en enseignement supérieur
FNEC: First Nations Education Council	PARES: Plan d'action pour la réussite en enseignement supérieur
ECOBES: Centre d'Étude des COnditions de vie et des BESoins de la population	SSs: Student Services
	QSU: Quebec Student Union

A Word from the Team

The Observatoire sur la réussite en enseignement supérieur (ORES or the Observatory) is proud to present its first Annual Report. Marked by the launch of a new service offering and the onboarding of new members, the year 2022–2023 has been a flourishing period!

A New Observatory on Student Success

Initiated in February 2022, the creation of the Observatory is part of the Plan d'action pour la réussite en enseignement supérieur 2021–2026 (PARES) established by the ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur (MES) of the province of Québec. This Plan builds on several areas of intervention, including knowledge consolidation and transfer, with a view to contributing to the development of the full potential of each student.

The Consortium d'animation sur la persévérence et la réussite en enseignement supérieur (CAPRES) – an initiative spearheaded by the Université du Québec from 2002 to 2022 – was mandated to set up an observatory to centralize the dissemination of research on student success, promote knowledge transfer and contribute to the adoption of new practices by the various stakeholders in the college and university networks. Driven by the CAPRES' 20 years of expertise, the Observatory thus launched its activities.

A Year of Reflection and Change

Transition. This is the word that best sums up the Observatory's first year of existence. The team, to which six new members were added during the year, quickly started working on the implementation of this mandate. It was a tall order! This shift in identity needed to be communicated effectively so that engaged audiences and partners would embrace the change. The team also took advantage of this period of reflection to enhance its service offering by developing new projects and by enriching existing content.

Projects Rooted in a New Identity

In 2022–2023, the team focused on key projects: creation of a new brand image; design and launch of a new Website; development of a popular scientific journal (*Relais*); launch of an online directory of inspiring practices; updating of the information monitoring model and implementation of a knowledge mobilization and transfer model.

The year ended with the official launch of the Observatory's public activities, with the publication of a first thematic dossier signed by the ORES. In fact, the dossier entitled *Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI): At the Heart of Student Success* was particularly unifying. Both the dossier itself and the many activities it spawned were well received by the French-speaking community at home and abroad. The infographics, images and tools created by the team to support the dossier's findings have been widely shared and are already being used in several institutions.

The year 2022–2023 was also marked by several networking activities. The ORES was present at symposia, congresses, meetings and various collaborative activities. The team is looking forward to continuing the discussions initiated over the past year!

Looking to the Future

The ORES' vision is clear: to act as a vector of positive change for the development of tomorrow's college and university networks.

In the coming year, the Observatory will continue to:

INFORM

Summarize, explain and share the most up-to-date knowledge on success in higher education.

UNITE

Foster enriching interdisciplinary exchanges among and between postsecondary institutions.

ENGAGE

Promote the adoption of the best strategies and the implementation of the most effective measures for students to develop their full potential.

In conclusion, the ORES is grateful to its partners, collaborators, as well as to all those committed to student success. We hope that reading this report will allow you to realize the wide range of activities proposed by the Observatory.

Happy reading!

The ORES in a Nutshell

A meeting place for college and university stakeholders, where the most reliable and relevant knowledge on accessibility, perseverance and student success is shared.

Our Offering



Information Monitoring

For concise summaries of relevant research findings and resources



Relais, a Popular Scientific Journal

To strengthen the link between research and the field



Public Activities

To reflect as a group and mobilize



Directory of Inspiring Practices

To discover promising initiatives



Thematic Dossiers

To understand current issues and possible courses of action



Practical Tools

To understand key issues and concepts at a glance



Prospective Outlook

To better anticipate emerging issues

Our Approach



Our Achievements

Information Monitoring

120+
information
monitoring articles
produced

Participation in
60+
events
(symposia, conferences,
workshops, etc.)

Participation in
90+
meetings
with partners and
organizations from the higher
education ecosystem

Public Activities



91% of our webinar attendees reported that they had increased their knowledge of the topics covered

Knowledge Mobilization

1 thematic dossier

3,700+
Web page views
(April to June 2023)

3
issues of
the popular scientific journal, Relais

9
inspiring practices

1 guide including courses of action
to support student engagement,
developed in collaboration with the SSs of the Université du Québec network and the Fédération des cégeps

Visibility

since the launch of the Website in March 2023

14,900+
users of our Website

1,400+
new subscriptions to our platforms

87,000+
views on LinkedIn

Our Year

February 2022

Announcement of MES funding
for the creation of the ORES

April 2022

Recruitment: Hiring
of the Executive Director

June 2022

**Mobilization activity at
the SS symposium:** Realities
and Challenges Faced by
Students from Immigrant
Backgrounds in Their Socio-
professional Integration: How
Can We Better Prepare and
Support Them Throughout Their
Educational Pathway?

**Mobilization activity at the
AQPC symposium:** Rendez-vous
de la réussite 2022: Improving
Students' French Language Skills
in Collaboration with the Carrefour
de la réussite au collégial



March 2022

Webinar: Facilitating the
Transition of Students with
Disabilities to the Labour Market

May 2022

Webinar: Valuing French
Among Graduate Students:
Issues and Courses of Action

July 2022

Recruitment: Hiring of a
Communications Officer

August 2022

Recruitment: Hiring of an Organizational Development Officer

November 2022

Launch of the ORES' new brand image and presentation video

March 2023

Conference: Public launch of the ORES' activities and round table on recognizing the diversity of student experiences

Publication: Thematic dossier Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI): At the Heart of Student Success

Launch of the new Website including the CAPRES-ORES archive directory

Publication: Relais no. 1 – Black Students' Voices on Race Relations in Québec Universities by Marie-Odile Magnan

September 2022

Publication: Courses of Action to Support Student Engagement in Higher Education, in collaboration with the SSs of the Université du Québec network and the Fédération des cégeps

February 2023

Recruitment: Hiring of a Knowledge Mobilization Officer



Attribution: Louise Leblanc

RELAIS.

April 2023

Webinar: Fostering Inclusive and Responsible Artificial Intelligence (IA) to Ensure the Success of all Student Populations in Higher Education

May 2023

Publication: Relais no. 3 – What Are the Means Used by University Graduates When Looking for Employment? by Mircea Vultur

Mobilization activity at the Acfas symposium: Student Success in Higher Education at the Crossroads of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)

Webinar: Who Bears the Responsibility to Promote Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in Higher Education Institutions?

Recruitment:
Hiring of a Content Editor

Publication: Relais no. 2 – Barriers to Accessing College Education: What Can Be Learned from Findings on Allophones From Recent Immigrant Backgrounds? by Emilie Doutreloux



June 2023

Recruitment: Hiring of an Administrative Technician

Mobilization activity at the AQPC symposium: Rendez-vous de la réussite 2023: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at the Heart of Student Success, in collaboration with the Carrefour de la réussiteau collégial

Our Team



Julie Gagné
Executive Director



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Knowledge
Mobilization Officer



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Development
Officer



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Mobilization Officer



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Administrative
Technician



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Descheneau-Guay**
Content Editor



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Communication
Officer



Anouk Lavoie-Isebaert
Information
Monitoring Officer



Karine Vieux-Fort
Scientific
and Research
Promotion Officer

Our Committees

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee gives its opinion on the general orientations of the ORES and suggests development priorities. It ensures that the ORES' actions are in line with the concerns and needs of the higher education community. The ORES' Executive Director chairs the Committee.

College and University Specialists

Nadine Arbour Coordinator Centre d'Étude des COnditions de vie et des BESoins de la population – ECOBES January 2022 to June 2023	Guy Gibeau Director of Studies Collège de Maisonneuve January 2022 to June 2023
Marilyn Baillargeon Professor Education Department, Université TÉLUQ January 2022 to December 2022	Simon Larose Professor in Educational Sciences Université Laval January 2022 to June 2023
Line Chouinard Executive Director Pôle sur les transitions en enseignement supérieur January 2022 to December 2022	Séverine Parent Professor in Educational Technology and Digital Literacy Université du Québec à Rimouski January 2022 to June 2023
Martine Dumais Teacher History Department, Cégep Limoilou January 2022 to June 2023	Ruth Philion Professor in Educational Sciences Université du Québec en Outaouais January 2022 to June 2023

Federating Bodies

Patrick Bérubé Executive Director Association des collèges privés du Québec – ACPQ September 2022 to June 2023	Marie-France Laurin In charge of the Carrefour de la réussite au collégial Fédération des cégeps January 2022 to June 2022
Réjean Drolet Senior Research Officer Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire – BCI January 2022 to June 2023	Annie-Claude Prud'homme Educational Affairs Advisor and in charge of the Carrefour de la réussite au collégial Fédération des cégeps September 2022 to June 2023
Lynn Lapostolle Executive Director Association pour la recherche au collégial – ARC January 2022 to June 2023	Francis Verreault-Paul Government Relations and Communications Services Director First Nations Education Council – FNEC September 2022 to June 2023

Student Associations

Frédéric Beaudet Vice President Fédération étudiante collégiale du Québec – FECQ January 2022 to June 2022	Laurence Malette-Léonard College Affairs Coordinator Fédération étudiante collégiale du Québec – FECQ September 2022 to June 2023
Marc-Antoine Tourville Vice President Quebec Student Union – QSU January 2022 to June 2022	Samy-Jane Tremblay President Quebec Student Union – QSU September 2022 to June 2023

Observation

Catherine Bouchard University Affairs Advisor MES January 2022 to December 2022	Sylvain Lafrance College Teaching Advisor MES January 2022 to June 2023
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Advisory Committee

An *ad hoc* advisory committee is set up for each thematic dossier. It is made up of people recognized for their expertise on the subject matter. Members of the Advisory Committee identify thematic trends and issues, validate content and formulate courses of action.

Members of the Advisory Committee for the dossier entitled *Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI): At the Heart of Student Success*

Jean-Philippe Beauregard Lead Consultant EDDI – Équité, discrimination, diversité, inclusion	Valérie Bridan Pedagogical Counsellor Collège de Rosemont
Emilie Doutreloux Professor in Educational Sciences Holder of the <i>Chaire de leadership en enseignement en équité, diversité et inclusion en éducation – Banque Nationale</i> Université Laval	Patricia Lapointe Pedagogical Counsellor at the Director of Studies Office Cégep Limoilou
Chris Isaac Lardner Teacher Department of Physics John Abbott College	Marie-Odile Magnan Professor in Educational Sciences Chair in Ethnic Relations Université de Montréal Director of the Fonds de recherche du Québec – Société et culture, Inclusion and Ethnocultural Diversity in Education
Bibiana Pulido Executive Director Réseau québécois pour l'équité, la diversité et l'inclusion et Institut équité, diversité, inclusion, intersectionnalité Director of Partnership Development and Training Institut équité diversité inclusion intersectionnalité – Université Laval	

MES-ORES Monitoring Committee

The Monitoring Committee is a forum for discussion between the ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur and the ORES. Its role is to monitor the funding agreement between the two entities.

Catherine Bouchard University Affairs Advisor University Teaching and Research Department MES February 2022 to December 2022	Chantale Dumont Head of the Pre-University Training and Research Department MES February 2022 to December 2022
Julie Gagné Executive Director ORES June 2022 to June 2023	Sylvain Lafrance College Teaching Advisor Pre-University Training and Research Department MES January 2022 to June 2023
Caroline Lessard Director of Academic Support and Libraries Université du Québec January 2022 to June 2023	Alice Ndayegamiye Director of Teaching and University Research MES January 2022 to December 2022
Anne-Marie Hébert Director Strategy and Capacity Department, Accessibility and Success Department MES January 2023 to June 2023	

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