

Rapport de recherche

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BUSINESS REPORT

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PART 1 – COLLABORATION OUTSIDE QUÉBEC

- We have closely collaborated with Dr Edward M. Adlaf during development of the research proposal and the submission of the grant application to the FQRSC. The P.I. (S. Kairouz) has been closely working with Dr Adlaf on projects related to alcohol, substance use and gambling among adolescents and young adults. Their most significant collaboration involved the Canadian Campus Survey project that was funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Dr Kairouz was responsible for the gambling section in the final report (ref).

Unfortunately, Dr Adlaf was forced by severe illness for an extended absence from work and could not collaborate with our team after the reception of the grant.

- We have recently initiated, during the Kettil Bruun Society conference in Lausanne (Switzerland), informal collaboration with Dr Anneke Risselada from the Addiction Research Institute in Rotterdam (Holland). Dr Risselada’s research interests pertain to gambling among adolescents and adult populations.

PART 2 – RESEARCH PARTNERS

- Valérie Van Mourik, one of the clinicians at Centre Dollard-Cormier working with gamblers, has been involved in our project namely in developing the content and conducting the follow-up interviews.

Valérie supervised one of the graduate students (J. Perrault) when conducting individual interviews and focus groups during the follow-up study. She has been also involved in the coding and interpretation of the data. The time Valérie has spent working on the ENHJEU project was funded by the CDC/IUD’s support program for researchers-clinicians collaborative initiatives.

- We have set up an advisory committee as soon as the project was granted the funding from the FQRSC. The mandate of the committee was twofold: 1) to provide scientific expertise on gambling issues among a young population, and 2) to insure the relevance of the project for stakeholders and prevention.

The committee members were:

- Dr Elisabeth Papineau, Institut national de santé publique (resigned in March 2010)
 - Mrs Gabriella Szabo, Concordia University, Health Services
 - Mr Dimitri Kouli, undergraduate student, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Concordia University
- The committee held two formal meetings. The first meeting was meant to gather feedback from members on the content on the questionnaires whereas the second meeting intended to present preliminary data for members to discuss the meaning and relevance of the main study findings and to examine pertinent channels to disseminate the results. The partners were consulted regularly for various issues regarding specific findings and knowledge dissemination.
 - The project could not have been realized without the precious collaboration of three universities and three professional schools in Montreal. We are very grateful to Concordia University, Université de Montréal, École des Hautes Études Commerciales and École Polytechnique as well as Université du Québec à Montréal and École de technologie supérieure, for giving us access to a random list of undergraduate students. This was a prerequisite to be able to generate a representative sample of the student population and provide reliable estimates for the whole population.
 - We project has also benefited from the expert support from the Centre Dollard-Cormier/Institut universitaire sur les dépendances for the development of a strategic plan for knowledge

dissemination. The knowledge broker at the CDC/IUD provided insightful advices to insure the translation of crude academic documents into pertinent messages to intervention and clinical milieu. Moreover, the main findings were also communicated to the universities authorities.

PART 3 – TRAINING

This project was realized in collaboration with four undergraduate students. Students were involved in the conception of the questionnaires, the data collection and data analyses and the production of various documentations including scientific presentations and reports.

The four designated students have been using the ENHJEU data for partial fulfilment of their Masters/Ph.D. programs.

- Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil
M.A. student – Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Concordia University
Project title: ‘A profile analysis of gambling occasions’
Projected graduation date: January 2011
- Tsvetelina Mihaylova
M.A. student – Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Concordia University
Project title: ‘Internet gambling among university students’
Projected graduation date: April 2011
- Yi Shen
D.Psy. student – Department of Psychology, Université de Montréal
Project title: ‘Étude épidémiologique du jeu problématique chez les étudiants universitaires’
Projected graduation date: April 2012
- Julie Perrault
M.A. student – Department of Psychology, Université de Montréal
Project title: ‘Les différents types de joueurs du premier cycle universitaire : comparaison des croyances par technique de focus group’.
Projected graduation date: November 2010

PART 4 – KNOWLEDGE DISSEMINATION, TRANSFER AND COMMERCIALIZATION

1. PUBLICATIONS

SCIENTIFIC ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- “Drinking and Co-occurring Gambling and Substance Use among Undergraduate University Students” (Louise Nadeau, Sylvia Kairouz, Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil, Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- “Co-occurring Substance Use: An analysis of Risk Profiles among University Students” (Sylvia Kairouz, Louise Nadeau, Tsvetelina Mihaylova, Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil)
- “Internet Gambling and Alcohol Use among University Students: The Case of Poker Players” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova, Sylvia Kairouz)
- “Risk Factors in Internet and Non-Internet Gambling and Video-Game Playing among University Students” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova, Sylvia Kairouz...)

REPORTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS

A report summarizing the main research findings will be produced for each participating university and school. The report will focus on the data specific to each institution. In addition to specific reports, a brochure summarizing key research findings will be also sent to key administrators and organizations in each institution namely, the Office of the President, the Dean of students, Health Services and the Student Association.

A brochure will be produced in collaboration with professional media services available through the CDC/IUD intended to staff working in the Health and Social Services Network. We will privilege an electronic distribution and accessibility of the document.

2. Presentations

- Cercle des Jeunes Chercheurs – monthly meetings – “University students’ gambling habits” (Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil)
- Cercle des Jeunes Chercheurs – monthly meetings – “ Internet gambling among university students: The case of poker” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- Cercle des Jeunes Chercheurs – monthly meetings – “Les différents types de joueurs du premier cycle universitaire: comparaison des croyances par technique de focus group” (Julie Perrault)
- International Symposium on Gambling and Other Addictions – Sept 3rd-4th, 2009, Montreal, QC, Canada – “Jeux de hasard et d’argent et concomitance de l’usage de substance: une analyse contextuelle” (Sylvia Kairouz)

- International Symposium on Gambling and Other Addictions – Sept 3rd-4th, 2009, Montreal, QC, Canada – “Gambling among University Students in Montreal : a Descriptive Study” (Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil, Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- Colloque conjoint de l’équipe de recherche du Centre Dollard-Cormier-Institut Universitaire sur les Dépendances et du RISQ – November, 26th -27th, 2009, Estimont, QC, Canada – “Projets de recherche sur le jeu” (Sylvia Kairouz, Marc-Antoine Côté-Marcil, Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- Rond-Point 2010 Congrès sur les dépendances “Dépendances: enjeux, problèmes et pratiques” – May 12th – 14th, 2010, Montréal, QC, Canada – “Tabac, alcool, drogues, et jeux de hasard et d’argent : Prévalence, concomitance et enjeux préventifs” (Sylvia Kairouz)
- E-Youth: Balancing between Opportunities and Risks – May 27th -28th, 2010, Antwerp, Belgium – “Internet Poker Play among University Students: A Risky Endeavour or a Harmless Pastime?” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- 8th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues – 14th-17th September, 2010, Vienna, Austria – “Risk factors in Internet and Non-Internet gambling and Video-Game playing among university students” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- KBS: 36th Annual Alcohol Epidemiology Symposium of the Kettil Brun Society – May 31st – June 4th, 2010, Lausanne, Switzerland – “Co-occurring substance: An analysis of risk profiles among university students” (Sylvia Kairouz)
- KBS: 36th Annual Alcohol Epidemiology Symposium of the Kettil Brun Society – May 31st – June 4th, 2010, Lausanne, Switzerland – “Internet gambling and alcohol use among university students: The case of poker players” (Tsvetelina Mihaylova)
- KBS: 36th Annual Alcohol Epidemiology Symposium of the Kettil Brun Society – May 31st – June 4th, 2010, Lausanne, Switzerland – “Drinking and co-occurring gambling and substance use among undergraduate university students” (Louise Nadeau)

3. Media relations

The media release will be done upon submission of the report to FQRSC and reports to universities are transmitted to participating institutions.

4. Transfer activities

- An information/discussion session will be planned in collaboration with the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec (FEUQ)

- A midi-scientifique will be also organized at CDC/IUD targeting the communication and discussion of findings with staff working in the field of addictions. This initiative is done in close collaboration with Valérie Van Mourik (our collaborating clinician at CDC).

5. Approximate amount invested in dissemination

■ Production and dissemination of university reports	\$2,000
■ Production of summary brochure for health and social services networks	\$1,000
TOTAL:	\$3,000

6. Estimate amounts invested in international activities

■ Presentation Kettil Bruun Society conference (S. Kairouz & L. Nadeau)	\$6,640
○ Covered by S. Kairouz (other sources of funding)	\$1,200
○ Covered by L. Nadeau (other sources of funding)	\$1,000
■ Presentation Kettil Bruun Society conference (L. Mihaylova)	\$2,700
○ Covered by L. Mihaylova (other sources of funding)	\$2,700
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,340
TOTAL EXPENSES COVERD FROM PROJECT BUDGET	\$4,440

PART 5 – WORKFLOW

1. Factors that contributed the most to the success of the work (maximum three):

- Students involvement and commitment to the project
- The presence of a research infrastructure promoting team work and collaborations between students, researchers and research assistants/associates
- Collaboration with the clinical milieu through the support of the Centre Dollard-Cormier/Institut universitaire infrastructure

2. Factors that hindered the work the most (maximum three):

- The limited budget. Some field contingencies imposed additional expenses. The management of a tight budget was in several cases tedious.

PART 6 –FEEDBACK ON THE CONCERTED ACTIONS PROGRAMS

The overall experience as part of the Concerted Actions is very satisfactory. The conditions for the application process are simple. The links with concerted action partners are very much appreciated. The regular meetings with the partners and the other funded researchers provide opportunities for reflection on own work through the feedbacks we get. They also provide means to get first-hand information on recent studies and initiate stimulate rich discussions with multidisciplinary experts working on gambling. The administrative support is generally very helpful and swift to answer requests. We recommend that the final report be less normative and constraining in terms of formatting (length of sections). Some sections are redundant and very demanding in terms of time and resources.