BRIDGING THE GAP

Between Research and Service Delivery

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H-appi

- We aim to destigmatize addictions and mental health illnesses in the Middle East and Northern Africa.

H-appi

- Our Focus:
  - Awareness and Education
  - Providing safe and inclusive spaces
  - Research (Locally and Abroad)

H-appi Camper Program

75 Syrian Refugee Children

– Improving Literacy

– Improving overall emotional and mental wellbeing

– Cultural integration

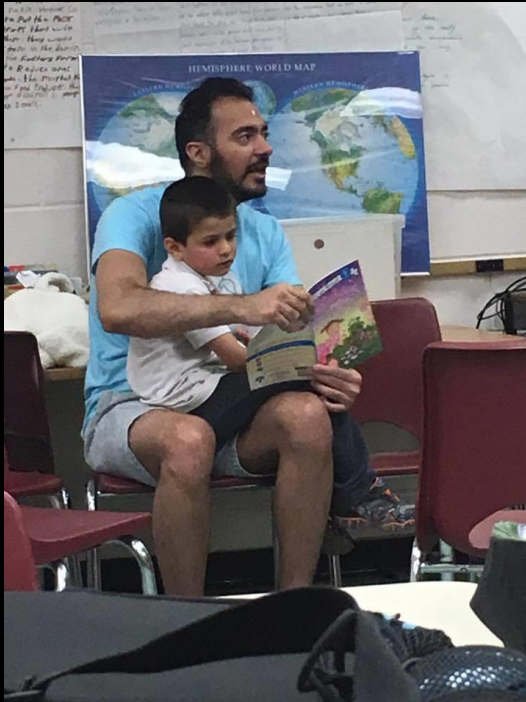# Camp Overview

- 1 Month (July)
- Monday → Friday
- 9am → 4pm

Canadian Press

Literacy Program

- ## Dr. Becky Chen & her team
  - ### University of Toronto (OISE)

Research

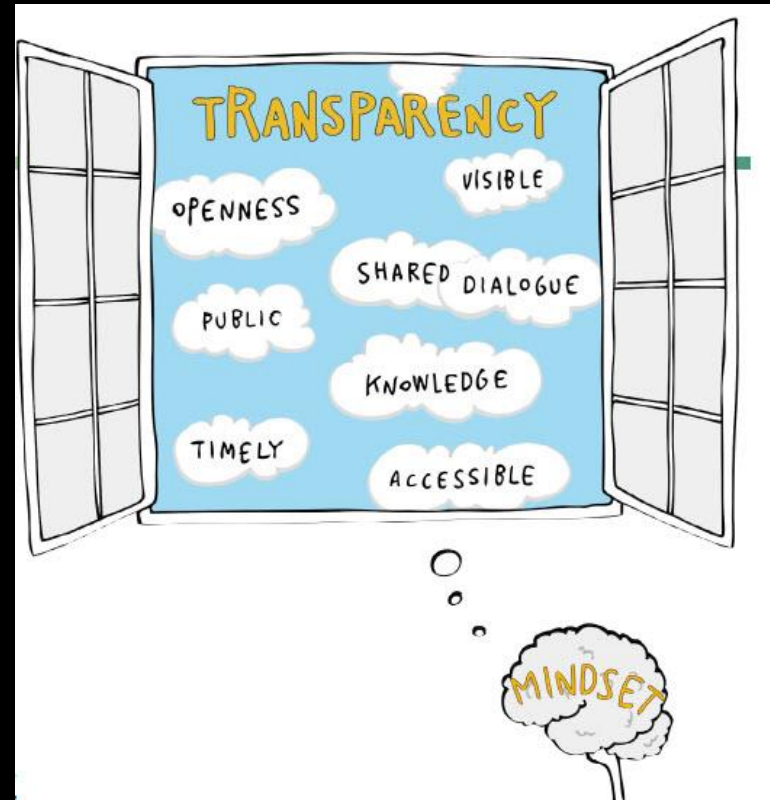**Cognitive Development
and
Neuroimaging Laboratory**

**Numerical Cognition
Laboratory**

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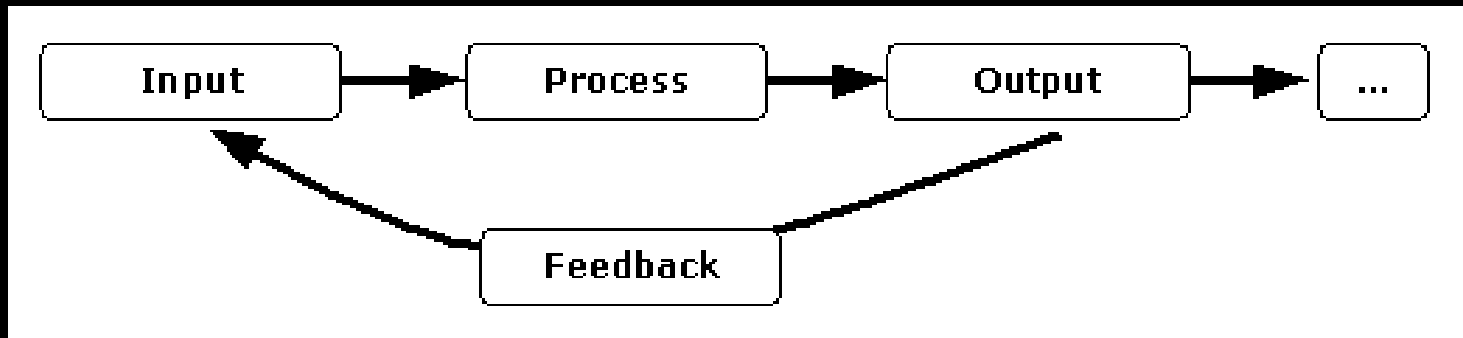 - Public engagement

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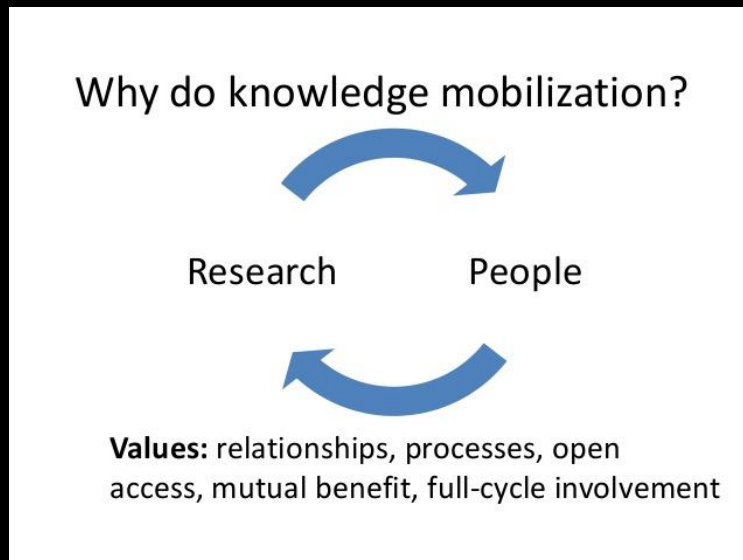
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Why do knowledge mobilization?

Research   People

Values: relationships, processes, open access, mutual benefit, full-cycle involvement
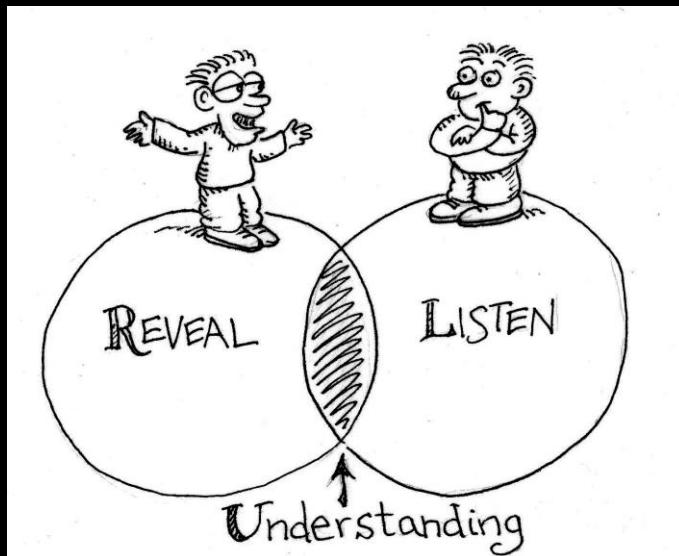
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- Attractive for research organizations

Thank you

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