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## RE-ENVISIONING ADULT EDUCATION AND LEARNING IN CANADA FROM A FEMINIST PERSPECTIVE

Adult Education professor **Dr. Leona English** has focused much of her research on furthering an understanding of feminism and learning and education. Her primary research interest is in how women have shaped and been shaped by community experiences. In a SSHRC-funded archival research project on previously unknown women writers and editors of the Canadian Association for Adult Education in the 1950s, she is exploring how several of these women, including Ruth McKenzie, Jean Hunter Morrison, and Isabel Creighton Wilson, were integral to the Association's ability to host regional study clubs across Canada and air corresponding National Radio Farm Forum and Citizens Forum programs weekly on CBC Radio. Their efforts contributed to strengthening regional and national capacity in adult education. This ongoing research study highlights the intellectual contributions of these women in the Association's most critical decade, and the factors that contributed to their anonymity.