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International Students: Studying, Working & Immigrating to Canada

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Session Overview

- Background
- Inland Processing Issues
- Study Permit Extensions
- Work Opportunities for International Students
- Immigrating to Canada
- Questions and Comments



Introduction

- More than 130,000 students come to study in Canada every year
- Many more come to Canada to learn English or French
- Foreign students bring a rich culture to our classrooms
- Provincial governments regulate education and schools in Canada



Inland Processing



Applying for Extensions

- Complete the Application “Change Conditions or Extend Your Stay in Canada” at least 30 days before your current permit expires and submit to CPC-Vegreville
- You can also apply on line to extend your Study Permit. or apply for your Off Campus Work Permit.
- Visit www.cic.gc.ca



Implied status

If you apply for a renewal of your study permit, and the permit expires before you receive an answer, you can continue to study in Canada under the same conditions until you receive a decision.

Restoration

If status is lost (i.e. the immigration document expires), you have 90 days from the date of expiry to submit an application for restoration. The conditions have to be the same. The terms on the document and the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and Regulations cannot be violated.



Employment Opportunities for Students Topics

- Co-op programs
- On-Campus employment
- Off-Campus employment
- Post-graduate employment
- Spousal employment



Employment for Co-op Programs



- Essential and integral part of the course of study;
- No more than 50% of the total course of study;
- Certified as such by a responsible academic official.
- Must be completed in order to receive your degree, diploma or certificate.



On-Campus Employment

- Ability to work documented on the study permit.
- Full-time studies.
- Degree or diploma-granting program.
- Post-secondary institution authorized by provincial statute to grant degrees.
- Can work on campus of college or university at which you are a student.



On-Campus Employment Definitions

- May work at more than one job so long as on-campus.
- On-Campus is defined as employment facilities within the boundaries of the campus.
- Eligible to work at different locations of the same campus so long as within the same municipality.
- Employer can be the institution or private businesses on campus.



Off-Campus Employment Student Eligibility

- Six months attendance prior to application;
- Full-time attendance;
- Satisfactory academic standing;
- Must fulfil terms and conditions of their work permit.

If you fail to continue to meet the eligibility criteria you are required to surrender your work permit to the nearest CIC.



Post-graduation Employment



Available to students who graduate from a:

- Canadian University,
- Community College,
- CEGEP,
- Publicly funded trade/technical school, or
- Private institution authorized by provincial statute to grant degrees.



Post-graduation Employment Criteria

- Must have studied full-time for the eight months preceding the completion of your program of studies and have graduated from:
- A public post secondary institution, such as a college, university or CEGEP
- Duration of employment cannot exceed duration of studies.
- Must graduate with a degree, diploma or certificate.



Post-graduation Employment Application

- Must apply for a work permit within 90 days of receiving written confirmation of graduation
- Must include evidence of above with application.
 - Final transcript;
 - Letter from the institution;
 - Formal notification of graduation;
- Still in possession of a valid study permit.



Post-graduation Employment Duration

- Length of work permit cannot exceed the length of the course of studies.
- Students will receive open work permit valid for up to three years (do not require a job offer from an employer) if the **program of study** is two years or more.
- If the **program of study** is less than two years but at least eight months , the student would be eligible for a work permit lasting for a period equal to the duration of their studies



Spouses And Common Law Spouses of Students

Spouses or common law spouses of student permit holders may:

- Apply for an open work permit from within Canada
- Apply for a study permit from within Canada

Dependent child of student permit holder, spouse or common-law partner and dependent child of a dependent child may:

- Apply for a study permit from within Canada

Applications must be sent to the Case Processing Center in Vegreville for processing, or to a Visa Post, or Port of Entry if applicable.



Social Insurance Number (SIN)

The Social Insurance Number (SIN) is a nine-digit number that you need to work in Canada or to have access to government programs and benefits.

You may apply at a Service Canada Centre (20 in Toronto), or by mail.

Visit : www.servicecanada.gc.ca

Proof of identity requirements for Temporary Residents:

- Work Permit / Employment Authorization, or
- Study Permit / Student Authorization **AND** a contract of employment from the learning institution or from an employer on campus (This contract must show the start and end date of employment and these dates must fall within the study permit dates)



International Students

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Options Following Post Graduate Work Permit



Working Temporarily in Canada

These steps must be followed before you apply for a work permit:

- **An employer must first offer you a job.**
- **Service Canada must normally provide a positive labour market opinion (LMO) of your job offer. However, some types of work are exempt from this process.**
- **After Service Canada confirms that a foreign worker may fill the job, you apply to CIC for your work permit.**
- **To get a work permit, you must fill out an Application for Work Permit. A work permit is issued if the application is approved.**



Immigrating to Canada Application Categories

- **Economic Class**
 - **Skilled Workers**
 - Investors
 - Entrepreneurs
 - Self-Employed
 - **Canadian Experience Class**
- **Family Class**
 - Spouses
 - Children
 - Parents
 - Grandparents
 - Others
- **Humanitarian Class**
 - Refugees
 - Humanitarian and Compassionate Considerations



Federal Skilled Worker Class

Download the kit at www.cic.gc.ca:

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Applying as a Skilled Worker

This application is for people who are applying for permanent resident status in Canada as a Skilled Worker.

A Skilled Worker is a person whose job skills, education and experience will help them to find work and make a home in Canada.

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Eligibility Criteria

Your application is eligible for processing if:

- you have an offer of arranged employment, **OR**
- you are a foreign national who has been living legally in Canada for one year as a temporary foreign worker or an international student, **OR**
- you are a skilled worker who has at least one year of experience in one or more of the following occupations



0111: Financial Managers
0213: Computer and Information Systems Managers
0311: Managers in Health Care
0631: Restaurant and Food Service Managers
0632: Accommodation Service Managers
0711: Construction Managers
1111: Financial Auditors and Accountants
2113: Geologists, Geochemists and Geophysicists
2143: Mining Engineers
2144: Geological Engineers
2145: Petroleum Engineers
3111: Specialist Physicians
3112: General Practitioners and Family Physicians
3141: Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists
3143: Occupational Therapists
3142: Physiotherapists
3151: Head Nurses and Supervisors
3152: Registered Nurses
3215: Medical Radiation Technologists
3233: Licensed Practical Nurses

4121: University Professors
4131: College and Other Vocational Instructors
6241: Chefs
6242: Cooks
7213: Contractors and Supervisors, Pipefitting Trades
7215: Contractors and Supervisors, Carpentry Trades
7217: Contractors and Supervisors, Heavy Construction Equipment Crews
7241: Electricians (Except Industrial and Power System)
7242: Industrial Electricians
7251: Plumbers
7252: Steamfitters, Pipe fitters and Sprinkler System Installers
7265: Welders and Related Machine Operators
7312: Heavy-Duty Equipment Mechanics
7371: Crane Operators
7372: Drillers and Blasters – Surface Mining, Quarrying and Construction
8221: Supervisors, Mining and Quarrying
8222: Supervisors, Oil and Gas Drilling and Service
9212: Supervisors, Petroleum, Gas and Chemical Processing and Utilities



If your application is eligible for processing, you must also meet the following minimum requirements to qualify as a skilled worker:

- you have at least one year of continuous full-time paid work experience or the equivalent in part-time continuous employment, **AND**
- your work experience must be Skill Type 0 (managerial occupations) or Skill Level A (professional occupations) or B (technical occupations and skilled trades) on the Canadian National Occupational Classification list, **AND**
- you must have had this experience within the last 10 years.



If you meet these minimum requirements, your application will then be processed according to the six selection factors in the skilled worker points grid.

<u>Factor</u>		<u>Points</u>
1	Age	10
2	Education	25
3	Language proficiency	24
4	Work experience	21
5	Arranged employment	10
6	Adaptability	10
Potential maximum:		100
Minimum pass mark:		67



Inadmissibility

- Criminal
- Medical
- Misrepresentation
- Security



Eligibility Tool

Immigrating as a worker: am I eligible? - Windows Internet Explorer

http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/immigrate/skilled/tool/index.asp

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Immigrating as a worker: am I eligible?

Answer some questions and we will help you understand how you might be able to come permanently to Canada as a worker.

You will need 5-7 minutes to complete this questionnaire. When you are finished, you will see a list of the options that may be available to you and the steps you should take to apply.

Note: If you intend to settle in the province of Quebec, you will have to apply directly to the province. Find out more about [immigrating to Quebec](#).

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Legal Disclaimer: This information is intended for general guidance and reference only. Should you decide to submit a formal application, the application will be considered by an immigration officer, in accordance with the requirements of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, without regard to any outcome you may have attained through completion of this questionnaire.



Self-Assessment Tool

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the following elements:

- Browser Title Bar:** CIC Canada | Skilled Worker Online Self-Assessment - Education - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by DFAIT
- Browser Menu:** File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, Help
- Browser Toolbar:** Back, Forward, Stop, Refresh, Home, Search, Favorites, Media, History, Mail, Print, Edit
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- Page Header:** Citizenship and Immigration Canada / Citoyenneté et Immigration Canada, Canada logo
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- Main Content:**
 - Header: > Immigrate to Canada
 - Breadcrumbs: Home >> Immigrating to Canada >> Skilled Worker Class >> Will You Qualify?
 - Section Title: **Skilled Worker Self-Assessment**
 - Section Title: **Factor 1 – Education (maximum 25 points)**
 - Form Label: **Indicate your highest level of education**
 - Form Input: Did not complete secondary school (also called high
- Left Sidebar:**
 - Choose Canada
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 - > to Study
 - > to Work
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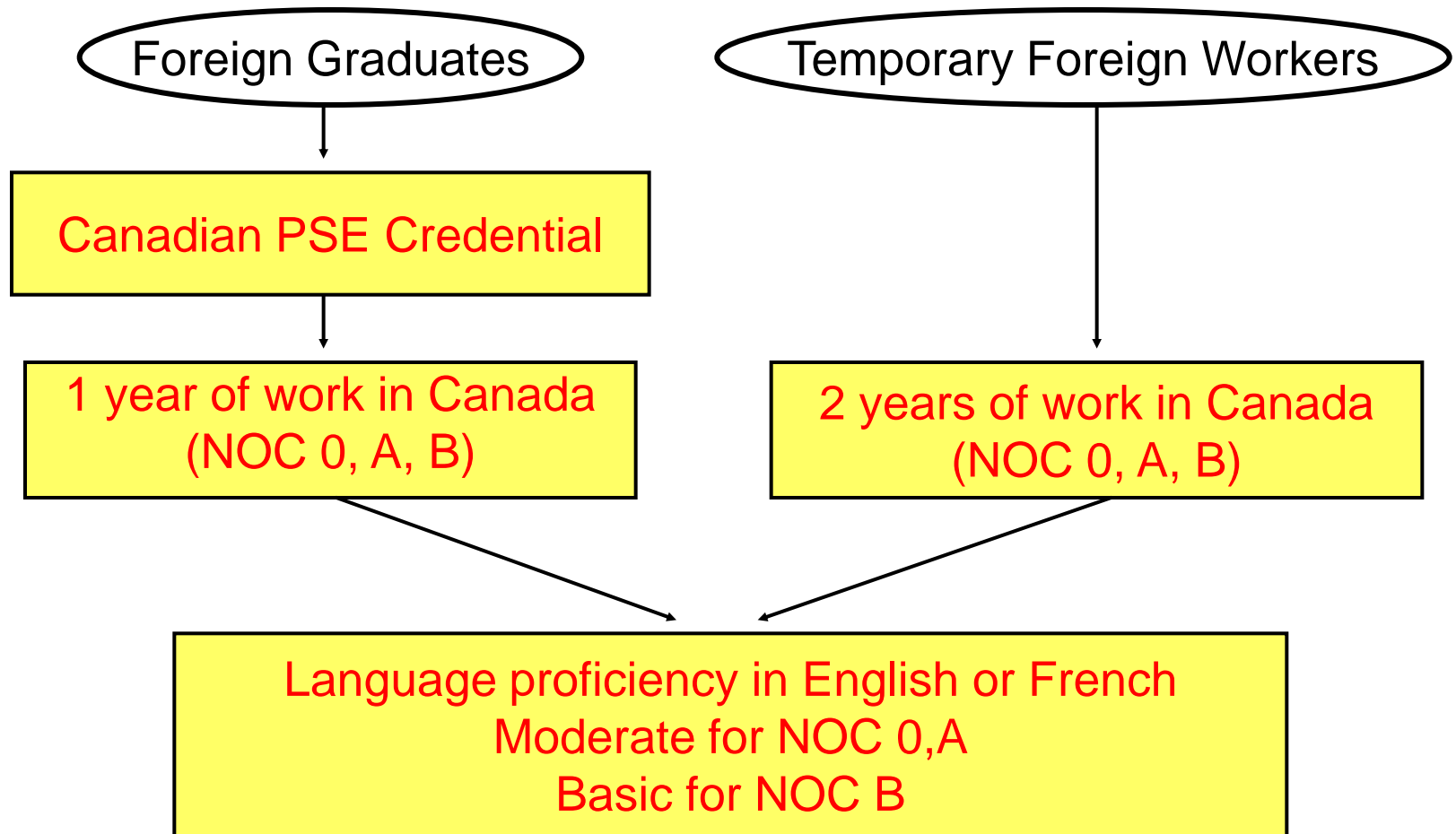


Canadian Experience Class (CEC)

- CEC was introduced as a new Class of Economic immigration
- Selection is based on a pass/fail system.
 - If the minimum requirements are met, the applicant is eligible
 - There is no point system as with the Federal Skilled Worker Program.
- The selection criteria for the class are tied to determinants of successful labour market integration
- CEC targets those who came to Canada to work or study
- Permanent residence can be granted without leaving the country



Pass / Fail Selection Criteria



Selection Criteria - Education

- To apply for CEC, Foreign Graduates require:
 - A Canadian post secondary educational credential which requires at least **2 academic years** (sixteen months of full-time study).
 - The applicant must graduate from a program of study lasting at least two years OR
 - Have a one-year master's program with previous education completed in Canada
 - The credential must be granted by a Canadian public or private post-secondary educational institution recognized by a Province.

*****Studies that do not count*****

- Canadian distance learning programs
- English or French as a Second Language programs

- Temporary Foreign Workers
 - No minimal educational requirement



Selection Criteria - Work Experience

- Foreign Graduates require:
 - **12 months** of recent full-time (or equivalent) Canadian skilled work experience at NOC 0, A or B (management, professional and skilled and technical occupations)
 - The experience must be acquired in Canada **within the 24 months** preceding the application for the CEC
 - You do not have to be in employment at time of application
 - The experience has to be acquired after you have completed the required study and obtained a Canadian credential (Off-Campus Work Permit Program or coop work does not count)
- Temporary Foreign Workers require:
 - **24 months** of recent full-time (or equivalent) Canadian skilled work experience at NOC 0, A or B
 - The experience must be acquired in Canada **within the 36 months** preceding the application for the CEC
 - You do not have to be employed at time of your application



Selection Criteria - Language

- **Different** language requirements based on the skill levels of applicants
 - Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) of 7 – i.e. moderate proficiency – for applicants with managerial or professional experience (NOC 0 or A)
 - CLB of 5 – i.e. basic proficiency – for applicants with skilled and technical experience (NOC B)

How to prove language proficiency

Results of tests by a designated Institution – IELTS or TEF

Other evidence in writing
For applicants whose first language is English or French

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Who does not qualify?

- Refugee claimants with pending applications to remain in Canada
- Workers without status (undocumented) and individuals subject to Removal Orders
- Self-employed persons holding work permits
- Graduates who have studied in Canada under Canadian International Development Agency or Foreign Affairs and International Trades scholarships

****Status in Canada****

Applicants must have temporary resident status during their period of work experience and any period of full-time study or training



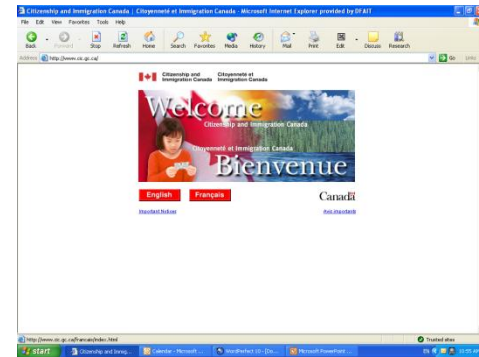
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www.cic.gc.ca

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