

# How to Apply for a Study Permit

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# **Agenda**

- Immigration documents
- How to apply for a study permit
  - Application overview
- Supporting documents
- Next steps



## **Disclaimer**

- Information shared in this recording is subject to change without notice.
- Refer to the <u>Immigration</u>, <u>Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)</u> website for the most up-to-date information at the time you apply.
- Please do not cite any of this information in an application.
- If you are a student in the Gustavson School of Business or in the Division of Continuing Studies, contact your International Student Adviser (ISA).

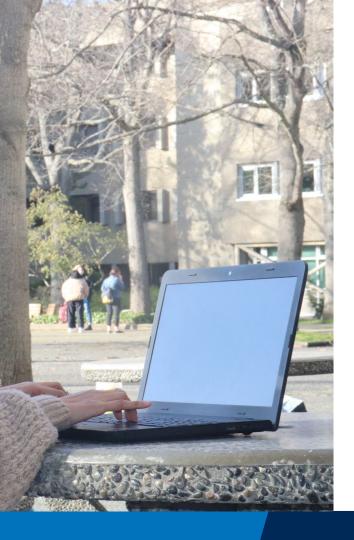
# **Canadian Immigration Documents**

# Immigration documents required to study in Canada

- Most international students will need a study permit to study in Canada in a program longer than six months.
  - Distance learning with in-person component in Canada
  - Programs that are less than 50% in person are not PGWPeligible
- Most will also need either a <u>temporary resident visa (TRV) or</u> <u>electronic travel authorization (eTA)</u> to enter Canada.
- A Co-op work permit is required for mandatory paid or unpaid practicum, internship, or co-op terms.
- For more information about immigration documents, visit the International Centre for Students website.



How to apply for a Study Permit via IRCC Secure Account



# **Applying for a study permit**

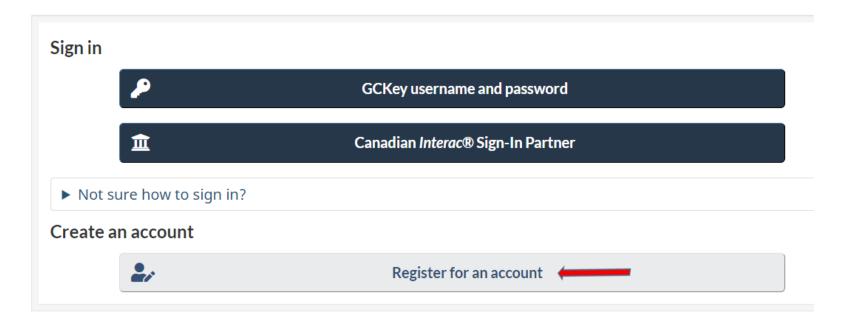
- When to apply
- Apply as soon as you are accepted to UVic
- How to apply
- Online through the <u>IRCC website</u>
- Port of entry
   (Eligible applicants: US citizens & permanent residents, and residents of Greenland or St. Pierre and Miguelon).

# Study permit application overview

- Complete the questionnaire to create your document checklist
- Compile supporting documents, including completing a medical exam if required
- Pay all applicable fees and submit your application
- If you are required to give biometrics, you will need to give biometrics after receiving instructions from IRCC



## **Create an IRCC Secure Account**



# Start an online application

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Students: Transfer sch	nools					

## **Determine your eligibility**

### Personal Reference Code If you have already completed the Come to Canada or the Express Entry wizard, you would have received a document checklist and/or a personal reference code, based on the answers you provided. \* Please enter your personal reference code to begin your application. (required) 0 Continue Cancel I do not have a Personal Reference Code If you do not have a personal reference code, you may answer a series of questions to find out if you are eligible to apply for a visa and/or permit, apply for Express Entry, and begin an online application. If you begin your application after you have logged into your account, you will not receive a personal reference code, as the system will save your document checklist right into your account. Determine your eligibility and apply online: Start here Visitor visa, study and/or work permit Express Entry (EE) International Experience Canada (IEC)

## Complete eligibility questionnaire

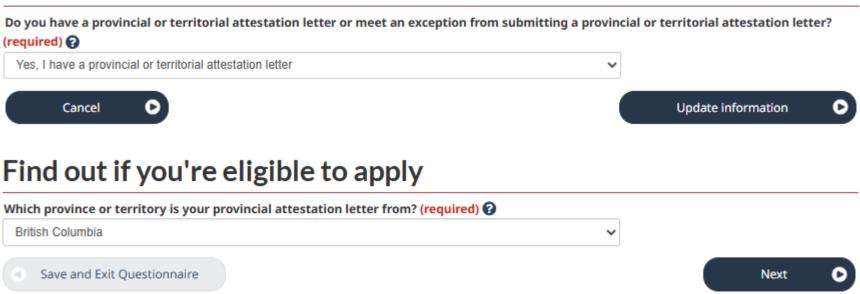


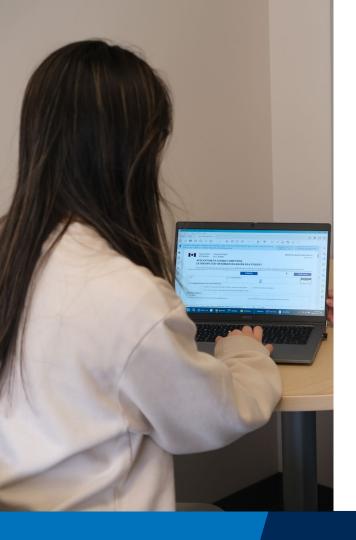
### Find out if you're eligible to apply

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## Complete eligibility questionnaire

## Find out if you're eligible to apply





# **Eligibility questionnaire** tips

- Read the questions carefully.
- Answer the questions honestly.
- If you want to go back and correct a section, use the "Modify my Answers" tab on the top of your screen.
- If you don't understand a question, click the question symbol ② for more information.
- An online application is saved in your account for up to 60 days.
- Be sure to screenshot the checklist showing all documents uploaded, and submission confirmation.

## **Document checklist**

# Application Form(s) Details Document name Not provided Application to Change Conditions, Extend my Stay or Remain in Canada as a Student (IMM5709) (required) Instructions Options Upload file

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Supporting documents				
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Not provided	Letter of Acceptance or Letter of Enrollment / Registration (required)	0	Upload file	
Not provided	Passport (required)	0	Upload file	
Not provided	Provincial or Territorial Attestation Letter (PAL or TAL) (required)	0	Upload file	
Not provided	Proof of Means of Financial Support (required)	0	Upload file	
Not provided	Proof of upfront medical exam (required)	0	Upload file	
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<sup>\*</sup>Upfront medical exam recommended!\*

# **Supporting Documents**

## **Gather your documents**

### **Mandatory Documents**

- Application form [IMM1294 or IMM 5709]
- Passport (all marked pages)
- Letter of acceptance (LOA)
- UVic Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL) unless exempt
- Digital photo
- Proof of funds
- <u>Biometrics</u> (if required, this will be on your payment section)

## Gather your documents continued

### Other documents you may need

- LOA with mandatory experiential learning requirement (reuse your UVic LOA as your co-op/practicum letter)
- Study plan / letter of explanation (recommended!)
- <u>Immigration medical exam</u> (recommended!)
- Custodianship declaration form IMM 5646 (mandatory if you are under 17)
- Family information form
- Evidence of work requirement in study (check your UVic letter of acceptance)
- Family information form [imm5707]
- Language test result
- Police certificate

Use <u>Instruction Guide</u> as needed to complete your application.

Refer to Visa Office

<u>Specific</u> instructions to add other required supporting documents.



## **Provincial attestation** letter (PAL)

- Most study permit applications require a Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL).
- Refer to the IRCC website for PAL exemptions.
- Contact icsinfo@uvic.ca if you have any questions about PAL requirements.

2024-03-12

Student name: Attestation ID: Issue date/time: 2024-03-12 15:36:28

Expiry date: 2025-01-21

This provincial attestation letter confirms that you have a space within Britis allocation period for study permit applications, based on the information that Student:

- Student Name:
- . Student Date of Birth:
- Student's Current Residence Address:

#### Study Program:

- Designated Learning Institution
- DLI number: 019280533442
- · Program name:

This provincial attestation d unt 2025-01-21, or until the study permit application cap is reach

attestation letter when you submit your study permit application to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), A study permit application that ovincial attestation letter, or meet an exception as outlined in the Ministerial Instructions, will not be accepted for processing. Please refer to IRCC's web site for study permit application information.

Chris Rathbone Assistant Deputy Minister Post-Secondary Policy and Programs Division

Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills

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4th Fl, 835 Humboldt St Victoria BC VBW 9H2 Fav: (250) 387-4858 1-800-561-1818 (Toll-free in Canada/USA) Toll-free Fax: 1-866-312-3322

Courter Address:

## **IMM1294 (Outside Canada)**

Refer to UVic documents for information

Government Gouvernement du Canada

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#### APPLICATION FOR STUDY PERMIT MADE OUTSIDE OF CANADA

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#### DETAILS OF INTENDED STUDY IN CANADA

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d) Complete address of school in Canada					
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7 If you have been issued a Provincial Attestation Le	ter (PAL)/Territorial Attestatio	on Letter (TAL), 8 If you have	been issued a Quebe	c Acceptance Certificate (CAC	(), provide the:
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f you are less than 17 years of age, you must fill out the Custodian Declaration (IMM 5646) form.					

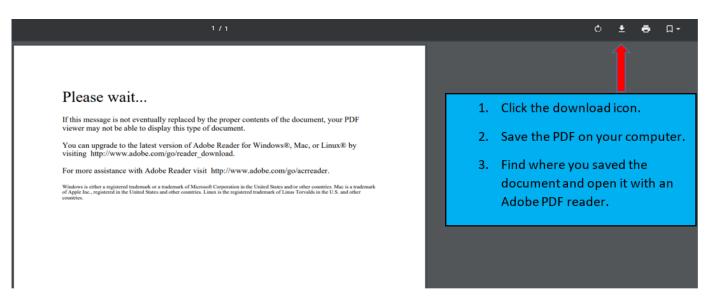
## **IMM5709 (Inside Canada)**

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c) Provide the name of your current Spouse/Common-law		on namolti			

Refer to your UVic documents for information

# Completing your application form

### Downloading an IRCC application form



## Letter of acceptance

Subject: Admission offer - Welcome to UVic!



December 06, 2022



This offer is conditional upon volume the minimum standards (courses and grades) as outlined below in the Conditions of Admission section. It is your responsibility to ensure that all conditions of your admission have been met and that your required documents arrive in our office by the deadline indicated on your application checklist, or this offer will be withdrawn.

In addition to your admission summary, this email contains important information about your next steps. Be sure to read everything carefully so that you don't miss the deadlines and can keep your offer.

But first, let's celebrate your success: go to your offer page!

Sincerely,

Wei Marton Admission Officer (250) 472-4426 admsofficer7@uvic.ca



PO Box 3025 STN CSC VICTORIA BC V8W 5P2 Canada Tel +1-250-721-8121 Web:www.uvic.ca

#### Letter of Acceptance (LOA)

#### 2022/12/07

Congratulations on your admission to the University of Victoria for your postsecondary studies! The information below is being provided to assist you in applying for a study permit and should be submitted to <a href="Immigration">Immigration</a>, Refugees and Citzenship Canada (IRCC) as soon as possible, We look forward to you joining us on campus soon.

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Family Name:	Student's full mailing address:
Given Names:	
Date of Birth: 2005/03/30	
Student ID Number: V01XXXXXX	
INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION	IDV.
Designated Learning Institution Number: O19280533442	lightitution's full mailing address: University of Victoria
Type of School/Institution: Public university	Undergraduate Admissions
Telephone Number: +1 00-21-812	PO Box 3025 STN CSC
Fax Number: N/A	VICTORIA BC V8W 3P2
Website: www.uvic.ca	Canada
Name of contact: Wendy Joyce, Director, Undergraduate Admissions Email: admsdirector@uvic.ca	Name of alternate contact: Leona Locke, Admission Coordinator, Undergraduate Admissions Email: admsofficer1@uvic.ca

#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Academic status: Full-time Hours of instruction per week: N/A	Field/Program of Study: Faculty of Social Sciences - Undeclared
Level of study: Undergraduate	Type of training program: Academic
Exchange Program: No	Estimated tuition fee for the first academic year:
Scholarship/Teaching assistantship/Other financial aid: N/K	Tutiton/ancillary fees vary by program and range from \$28,978 to \$33,050. These fees are effective as of May 1, 2022. Tuition is subject to an increase each May. Refer to www.uvlc.ca/fullion for the most up-to-date information. Fees prepaid: No (\$750 acceptance deposit only).
Length of Program: Term of Admission: First Term: Sep - Dec 2023 Program start date: 2023/09/06 Length of studies: Until May 2028	Internship/work practicum: N/K
Other relevant information: Level of Entry: Year 01	Expiry Date for this Document: 2023/09/15

## **Proof of funds**

Minimum funds (tuition and living expenses) needed for **at least one-year** to support yourself as a student (and family members who come with you)

### Full-time tuition

 Tuition amount is stated in a range on your letter of acceptance Use UVic's <u>tuition</u> <u>fee estimator</u> or contact tuition@uvic.ca



### Living expenses

- CAD \$20,635 for a single student
- Refer to the <u>IRCC website</u> for the most updated funding requirements for you and your accompanying family
- Costs to transport you and your family to Canada and back home
- Financial planning

## **Proof of funds**

### **Documentation**

As per IRCC, you can prove your funds with:

- proof of a Canadian bank account in your name, if you've transferred money to Canada
- a Guaranteed Investment Certificate (GIC) from a participating Canadian financial institution
- proof of a student or education loan from a bank
- your bank statements for the past 4 months

- a bank draft that can be converted to Canadian dollars
- proof you paid tuition and housing fees
- a letter from the person or school giving you money, or
- proof of funding paid from within Canada, if you have a scholarship or are in a Canadian-funded educational program

# Study plan

Note: Refer to the specific visa office instructions for requirement. Highly recommended even if this is not required. Some guiding questions to draft your one-page study plan:

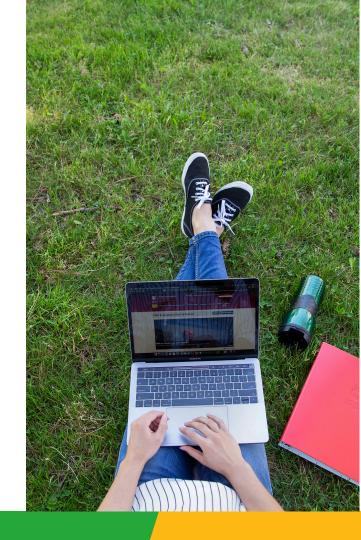
- Why did choose your study program at UVic?
- What is your overall educational or career goal?
- Why are you not pursuing a similar program in your country of residence or of citizenship?

- What research have you done into studies in your country of residence or of citizenship?
- How will this program enhance your employment opportunities in your home country or other countries?
- What ties do you have to your country of residence or citizenship?

# What's next?

## What to expect next

- Requests from IRCC
  - Biometrics instruction letter (if applicable)
  - Medical exam (if applicable)
  - Passport request (for applicants from TRV-required countries)
- Estimated processing time
- Planning your travel





June 09, 2016

Unique Client Identifier: [Your Universal Client ID1

Application Number: [Your Application Number]

(Your Name) [Your Address]

## POE Letter Sample

Dear [Your Name]

Your application to study in Canada has been approved. A permit authorizing your studies will be issued to you on your arrival to Canada following an examination by an officer of the Canada Border Services Agency, subject to your compliance with the requirements of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and its Regulations. The officer will ask to see this letter, your passport and may request to see your supporting documents, such as the letter of acceptance from your educational institution. Do not pack these or other valuable papers in your checked luggage. You can find out more about which documents you will need to bring with you by visiting www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study-arriving.asp

As you gather your documents, please take note of the following:

- This letter is not a passport or travel document. You will not be permitted to board your flight without your passport, even if you have this letter with you.
- This letter is not an authorization permitting you to enter or remain in Canada. An officer of the Canada Border Services Agency will make that determination upon your arrival to Canada.
- This letter is important because it contains information that will be used by the Canada Border Services Agency to issue your study permit. Please do not misplace it.

You must seek entry to Canada to obtain your study permit by 2018/03/21 (vvvv/mm/dd), Your passport must be valid beyond the period you intend to remain in Canada. If not, the validity of your study permit will not be issued beyond the expiry date of your passport, or, for United States citizens and permanent residents, the validity date of your identity document.

Note: As an international student in Canada, it is your responsibility to ensure that you continue to meet the conditions of your study permit, including the requirement to actively pursue studies. Your study permit will automatically become invalid 90 days after you complete your study program, regardless of the expiry date indicated on your study permit. For more information, please consult: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp

## Port of entry (POE) Letter of introduction

- You will receive this letter if your study permit application is approved.
- This letter is not your study permit.
- Show this letter to the Canada Border Services Agency Officer at the POE when you arrive in Canada to get your study permit.

# **Entry documents for outside Canada Applicants**

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If you are from a country/territory which requires a temporary resident visa (TRV) (<u>CHIp/Newwick, posatergish/visat/sass</u> sap), you have also been issued a visa. This visa has been affixed in your passport, and is valid for multiple visits to Canada until it expires. If you obtain a new passport before your visa expires, you will need to apply for a new visa. You may do so by writing www.oip.go.aaknglish/information/appleations/visat/sass.

Other than United States citizens, if you are from a country/field by which soes NOT require a temporary resident visa (http://www.cic.go.catergistyvisty/see...). A you as a permanent resident of the United States, you have also been issued an Electric fravior inhorization (eTA). Your eTA is valid for multiple visits to Canada, until number is and a inheal to the passport serior Canada. If you obtain a new passport before 'yyyymmrddj, you will need to apply for a new eTA by visiting <a href="https://www.canada.cateTA">www.canada.cateTA</a>.

If you are a United States edizen, you are no required to obtain a ETA or a TRV. United States edizens who do not have a passport may as wither a lead States bith certificate or certificate of naturalization. United States permanent residues a cering Canada from the United States may present their alien resident "green" can undersure a passport.

In some provinces or territories, students are not etly be for public health insurance. You must ensure that you and any depoir rids have add byte health care insurance or financial resources to cover possible contingencial or in makin is available from the ministry of health of the province or territory in which you give by.

For information on will be and do wile you are in Canada, visit www.canada.ca/travel

Sincerely,

Embassy / Janada Visa Section

www.cio.go.ca

- Temporary Resident Visa (TRV) or
- Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

### Refer to IRCC website for details



# **Study permit**

 Status document: allows you to stay in Canada and engage in a program of study

Employment remarks and restrictions



# Work while you study

- Full-time enrolment at a DLI during regular terms
- Employment remarks on your study permit
- You have started your UVic program
- A valid Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- Co-op work permit required for experiential learning in your program

ICS webpage: Working in Canada



## **Questions?**

## Admission (including entry point change / deferral)

- Undergraduate students: <u>Admission Assistant</u>
- Graduate students: Supervisor or department secretary

### **Academic and program planning**

- Undergraduate students: <u>Academic Adviser</u>
- Graduate students: <u>Graduate Adviser / Graduate Secretary</u>

Immigration and settlement: <u>Contact us!</u>

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**Immigration Drop-in hours** 

(virtual, phone or in-person):

Weekdays, 1:30pm-3:30pm (PT)



