IMMIGRATION IN CANADA

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Where this session fits

January TRV, SP, Co-op

February TRV, SP, Co-op

March TRV, SP, PGWP, EE,



For current students!

- Part 1: TRVs
- Part 2: Study **Permits**
- Part 3: Co-op Work **Permits**
- Questions after each segment



For current students!

- Part 1: PGWP
- Part 2: Express Entry
- Part 3: Co-op **Work Permits**
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For current students and graduating students

- Part 1: TRVs and Study **Permits**
 - Part 2: PGWP & Express Entry
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Focus of today

April COVID-19, PGWP, Co-op



For current students and graduating students

- Part 1: COVID-19 & Int. Students
- Part 2: PGWP & Working Cond.
- Part 3: Co-op Work Permits
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What are we doing today?

1 Impact of COVID-19

PGWP & Working Conditions

O3 Co-op Work Permits
When to apply for your Co-op Work Permit.
Hint: Now! & ASAP



Part 1 Impact of COVID-19 Crisis on ISs

Is COVID-19 Affecting ISs?

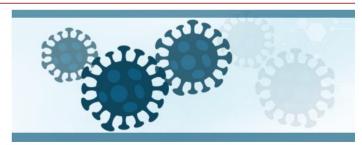


Home > Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

How the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is affecting immigration, refugees, citizenship and passport services

To manage the outbreak of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the Prime Minister announced travel restrictions that will limit travel to Canada. Find out how these restrictions affect immigration, refugees, citizenship and passport applications.





How the COVID-19 is affecting immigration?

The <u>travel restrictions</u> announced by the Prime Minister:

International Students

Visitors

Foreign Workers

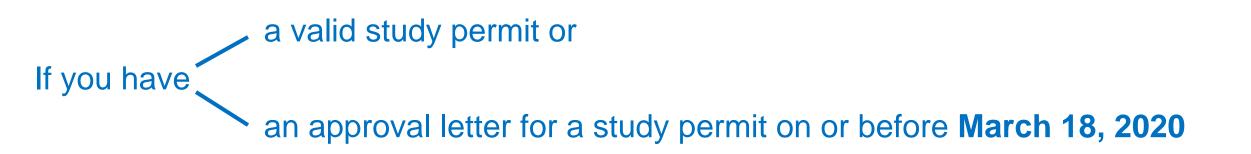
Temporary foreign workers, some international students and approved permanent residents:

The travel restriction exemptions:

- you need to pass a health check conducted by airlines
- When you arrive in Canada we'll assess your health
- You must <u>isolate</u> for 14 days even if you have no symptoms. This is mandatory.

Restrictions and Exemptions for Travelers to Canada:

A) International Students are exempt if:



What you need before you travel to Canada:

- i) To pass a health check
- ii) You must isolate for 14 days at POE (you must have a plan to isolate)

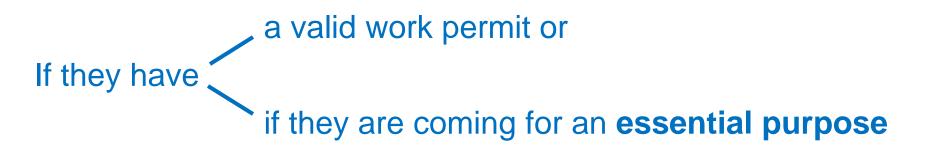
B) Visitors- If you are planning to leave Canada:

Visitors can't travel to Canada even if they have a valid visitor visa or an eTA

Exemptions: if they are:

- a person registered under Canada's Indian Act
- a protected person
- an invitation of the Canadian government
- an immediate family member of a Canadian citizen/ permanent resident
- a transiting passenger, as long as you stay in a Canadian airport to complete your connection
- a member of the Canadian military, visiting forces or their family member
- an accredited diplomat or family member (includes NATO)
- an air or marine crew member

C) Temporary foreign workers are exempt if:



What they need before their travel to Canada:

- i) To pass a health check
- ii) They must isolate for 14 days at POE (they must have a plan to isolate)



Part 2: Post-Graduation Work Permit

Students who are graduating this semester may receive "Program Completion Letter" by the middle of July 2020

What is a PGWP?

- Provides permission to remain in Canada and work full-time
- "Open" work permit

Updates to the PGWP program

Remember this

180

You have 180 days from Program Completion to apply for a PGWP (changed from 90)

Your study permit can expire within the 180 days

Change to visitor visa if SP expires before applying for PGWP

You may need Biometrics

Apply for a PGWP

Use Internet Explorer!

Start here www.canada.ca Immigration

\$255 processing fee (+\$85 if you require biometrics) Sign in or Create an account

Include a transcript and course completion letter

Choose: "Study" →
"Work as a student" →
"Work in Canada after
graduation"

Follow the instructions

Click "Validate"

This ensures your application form is filled out correctly

What documents do you need?

- Course completion letter
 - Usually 2 weeks prior to convocation ceremony
 - This semester by July 15, 2020 (due to COVID-19)
- Official transcript
- Passport
- Digital photo

You might also need...

- Letter of explanation
- Medical exam report

The following Panel Physicians are available in this province - ordered by city:

City: Ajax

Name: Suleiman Furmli (Locum: Nr. Salman ALHAWSHANI)

Address: One-Stop Immigration Madical, 300 Rossland Road East 1st Floor, Suite 102,

Ontario L1Z 0M1

Book your appointment online at www.panelexam.ca

Telephone: (905) 621-3827 Spoken Languages: English, Farsi

City: Brampton

Name: Zachary Seifer

Address: Complete Immigration Medical Centre,

36 Vodden St. E, Unit 203,

Ontario L6V4H4

Website: www.completeimmigration.ca

Telephone: + 1 (905) 459-2700

Spoken Languages: English, Hindi, Punjabi

City: Etobicoke Name: Alia Gray Address: JCKMED,

666 Burnhamthorpe Rd, Suite 202,

Ontario M9C 2Z4

Website: www.panelphysiciantoronto.ca

Telephone: (416) 622-0933 Spoken Languages: English

City: Etobicoke

Name: Emily Kuhlmann Address: JCKMED,

666 Burnhamthorpe Rd, Suite 202,

Ontario M9C 2Z4

Website: www.panelphysiciantoronto.ca

After you apply



You can work part-time until you receive your course completion letter. At that time you MUST stop working until you have submitted your PGWP application



If your SP was valid at the time you submitted your PGWP application, you are able to work full-time while you are waiting for a decision



If you did not have a valid SP at the time you submitted your PGWP application, **you cannot work**

Flag-poling

We **do not** recommend that you apply for a PGWP at a Canadian border. We recommend that you apply online

Spousal work permit

Spouses and common-law partners of post-graduation work permit holders may be eligible to apply for an open work permit under the <u>C41</u> exemption



You can only be issued 1 PGWP. Use your PGWP time wisely to set you up for future success

Working Hours for graduating students

Working before you apply

If you are <u>eligible to work</u> in your final term, you can continue working up to **20 hours** a week off campus until you receive your **Program Completion Letter**

Stop Working: When you receive your Program Completion Letter

Working after you've applied

After submitting your **PGWP** application, you can begin working **full-time** while you are waiting for a decision from IRCC

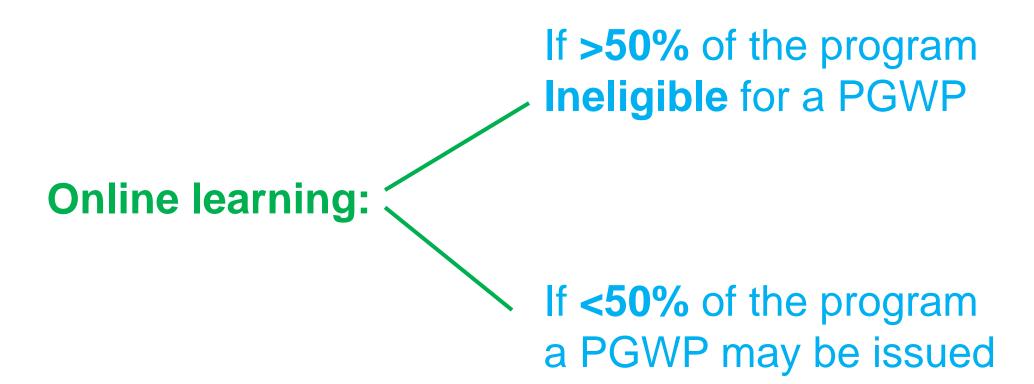
Online Courses & PGWP

Your eligibility for the Post-Graduation Work Permit Program won't be affected If your in-class courses are being moved to an online-only due to **COVID-19**.

International students in this situation may begin their classes while outside Canada and may complete up to **50%** of their program while outside Canada if they cannot travel to Canada sooner.

Distance (Online) Learning

Online learning: Not eligible for a PGWP



Questions have been asked from IRCC

1) Official Transcripts and PGWP?

2) Co-op Work Permit?

3) Deferring from a Semester:

How the 150-day rule can affect their status & PGWP?

QUESTIONS?





CONTACT US: TABA

Lindsay

These are our students advisors, Seyed Tabaei and Lindsay Tait, happy to help our international students!

They are located in the Oshawa campus and Whitby campuses.

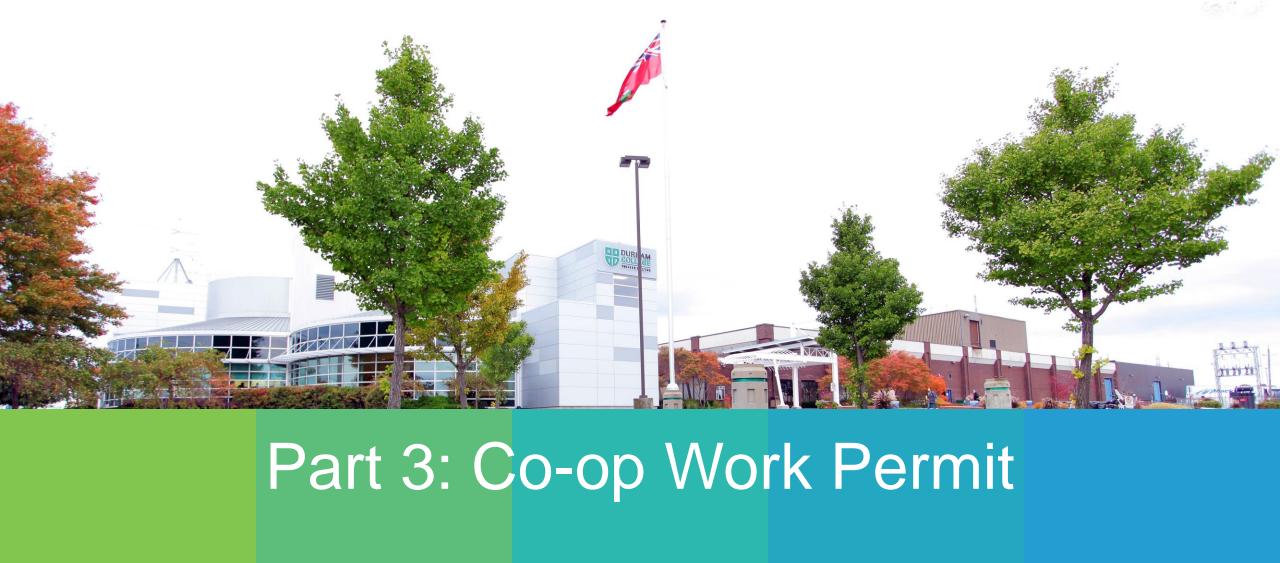
OSHAWA (Located in the SSB 210) Monday to Thursday from 8am to 7pm; Friday from 8:00 – 4:30p.m.

EMAIL US!

WHITBY (Located in Room 1-8C) Wednesday only from 8:30-4:30pm

isa@durhamcollege.ca

If you have questions by email, be specific, including screen shots and don't forget your student number

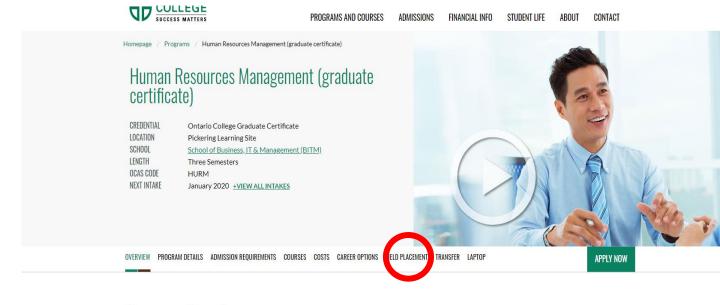


Does your program have a work term?

www.durhamcollege.ca/programs-and-courses

Durham College

- Find your program
- Look for Field Placement or Co-op in the tabs



Program Overview

From recruitment and selection to training and development, a career in human resources (HR) requires a focus on both strategy and people. Skill, knowledge and ability in human resource planning, occupational health and safety, compensation, hiring, employee development, labour relations and managerial accounting enable HR professionals to contribute to business success in an increasingly competitive global marketplace while looking after the organization's most important asset – its employees.











What is it? Do you need one?

You need a co-op work permit if...

- If an internship/placement/co-op is a required work component of your program
 - Regardless of length of work term
- 2. You must have a co-op work permit **BEFORE** starting your work term even it is unpaid or Even if it is now done **online**



Apply for a Co-Op Work Permit

Start your application



www.canada.ca

Choose English or French and click on the Immigration and Citizenship section Siç

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What documents do you need?

- Co-op work permit letter from the International Education Office
- Passport scanned copy of all marked pages into 1 PDF
- Digital photo
- IMM 5710

It's free!



No cost

There is no cost for the co-op work permit application

Questions

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What would you like to do in Canada?

Work

How long are you planning to stay in Canada?

Temporarily - more than 6 months

Select the code that matches the one on your passport.

Your Country

What is your current country/territory of residence? If you are presently in Canada, you should select Canada.

Canada

Do you have a family member who is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident and is 18 years or older?

No

Are you a lawful permanent resident of the United States with a valid U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) number?

No



What is your current immigration status in Canada?	
Student	
Do you plan to work on campus?	
No No	•
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Are you a full-time student at a participating post-secondary institution and want to work off-campus up to 20 hours per week?	
Yes	
Have you recently graduated from a participating Canadian post-secondary institution for which your study program was full-time and a minimum of eight months?	
No	
Is your work an essential part of your studies (for example, a Co-Op or internship program)?	
Yes	
Have you been told by an Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada office that you are approved in principle for permanent residence Canada?	in
No	
Have you submitted a permanent resident application in Canada?	
No	
Do you have a written job offer?	
No	



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Processing times:

Processing times start the day IRCC receives your application and may vary depending on how many applications they receive.

ONLINE: About 4 Months

ON PAPER: > 4 Months