CANADIAN IMMIGRATION Working in Canada Post-Graduation

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Post-Graduation Work Permit

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- Required to work in Canada post-graduation.
- Document that allows you to stay in Canada as a worker.

When you graduate, you may receive a Post-Graduation Work Permit for 1 year up to 3 years (depending on your program and study plan).

- Must always be a full-time student (academic year), except in your final semester.
- The PGWP is an open work permit it allows you to work anywhere in Canada.
- You can only apply once in your life (so: choose either after your undergraduate degree or after grad school).



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I finished my program, when can I start working?



Working after program completion

- Provided that you are permitted to work, you must continue to only work part-time until you receive your Eligibility to Graduate Letter/program completion letter from the Registrar's Office.
- Once you receive your completion letter, you cannot work until you meet all the requirements listed below.

IMPORTANT: Your study permit must be valid during this period. If your study permit expires before receiving your program completion letter, you must stop working the day the study permit expires.



Working while waiting for PGWP decision

After you complete your study program, you need to meet all the requirements listed below to work full-time.

- You applied for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) before your study permit expires or becomes invalid. (must apply within 90-days)
- You were already able to work off campus during your studies
- You are waiting for a decision on your PGWP application



How do I apply for my Post-Graduation Work Permit?



PGWP application

How to apply for your PGWP?

- 1. Get cheat sheet from your International Centre https://www.msvu.ca/international/advising-for-current-international-students/immigration-permit-renewals-in-canada/
- 2. Apply online through MyCIC account
- 3. Fill in application and gather documents
- 4. Review application from your International Student Advisor. Do not wait for a refusal before you ask for help!
- 5. Upload all required documents



PGWP application

Basic documents required:

- 1. IMM 5710 application form
- 2. Program completion letter/Eligibility to Graduate
- 3. Transcripts
- 4. Photo
- 5. Letter of explanation (optional)
- 6. Medical exam (optional)



Do I need a medical exam?



Medical Exam

Required if you want to work in:

- Health care services attendants, caregivers, laboratory workers, medical services, etc.
- Primary and secondary education
- Vulnerable people children in daycare and elderly in retirement/nursing homes.
- Etc.

Long wait-time. Book your appointment now!

Submit your PGWP application along with appointment confirmation so you can get the implied status (90-days).



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QUESTIONS?





Mount Mentorship Program



Designed to help 3rd and 4th year students with the transition from university life to the workplace, as well as new graduates navigating the ever-changing career world, Mount Mentorship offers unique hands-on guidance.





Connect with a mentor in your desired industry

8-10 meetings over 12 months

Set goals/objectives

Connect virtually, over the phone, or inperson!



Gain valuable support as you launch your career

Mentorship Program Benefits



Network and develop important job skills



Build a professional and valuable connection



ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES Disclosing Your Disability

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ACCESSIBILITY ADVISOR

DO I HAVE TO DISCLOSE MY DISABILITY TO A POTENTIAL EMPLOYER?

NOT NECESSARILY. YOU ONLY NEED TO DISCLOSE THAT YOU HAVE A DISABILITY, IF IT WILL CAUSE BARRIERS OR FUNCTIONAL LIMITATIONS TO YOUR JOB, AND THEREFORE REQUIRE ACCOMMODATIONS. YOU ONLY NEED TO DISCLOSE THE PRESENCE OF A DISABILITY OR CONDITION, FOR WHICH YOU WILL NEED TO BE ACCOMMODATED, NOT YOUR DIAGNOSIS.

IF I HAVE A DISABILITY THAT REQUIRES ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE WORK ENVIRONMENT, DO I HAVE TO DISCLOSE THIS DURING THE INTERVIEW?

NO. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO DISCLOSE IT DURING THE INTERVIEW. HOWEVER, IF YOU REQUIRE ACCOMMODATIONS, YOU DO HAVE TO DISCLOSE IT WHEN THE JOB OFFER IS MADE TO YOU. IT IS YOUR CHOICE AS TO WHEN YOU WANT TO DISCLOSE IT.

DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION?

DOCUMENTATION DOES NOT HAVE TO INDICATE A DIAGNOSIS.

QUESTIONS???