

STUDY ABROAD IN CANADA

When & how to Apply:

Canadian universities, mostly, invite and accept applications individually, which can be found and completed online on their websites. However, some provinces have a centralized application system for universities, such as **the Ontario Universities Application Centre (OUAC)**. Students can apply to multiple universities using a single application through these platforms. Deadlines for applications are generally later than other countries. September is usually the start date for the application but many universities start accepting applications in January or even May.

Students must track the important dates of individual universities to avoid losing out on options.

Eligibility Criteria

The general criteria for application are mentioned below:

English Requirements

- The minimum TOEFL score required by most universities is 80-84 (internet-based test) for PG courses
- Most universities and colleges accept equivalent IELTS and PTE Academic scores

Undergraduate study in Canada

- Universities in Quebec require a minimum of 13 years of secondary school education, i.e. an additional year of formal education after the 12th standard or intermediate degree. But, if your academic credentials are very impressive, some universities may consider your application even with 12 years of education
- Minimum aggregate marks of 70% in 12th grade for bachelor's degrees, and above 50% for diplomas and advanced diplomas
- Mathematics in-class XII (a prerequisite for some sciences, technology, and business courses)
- Minimum required IELTS/PTE Academic scores with an overall score of 6.0 bands or equivalent PTE scores

Masters in Canada

- Most universities require a qualification equivalent to the Canadian bachelor's degree, which requires 16 years of formal education. It would mean another year of education after an Indian bachelor's or a four-year bachelor's degree course like B.E., B.Tech. or other such courses.
- Minimum required IELTS / PTE Academic scores with a minimum score of 6.5 bands as an overall score for PG Diploma and 7.0 bands for a master's degree. Some universities accept equivalent PTE scores too.
- Relevant work experience (some universities require this for MBA and Master's Degree in IT)

Doctorate in Canada:

- Masters Degree in the particular subject you wish to pursue doctorate program

Student Life in Canada

Student life in Canada is very exciting and fascinating. There is no shortage of shopping malls, art galleries, theaters, cafeterias, and exhibition halls in the urban areas. Its cities and towns are rich in public gardens, beaches, parks, sports and leisure facilities. One of the most important reasons why you should study in Canada is because of its welcoming and heartwarming environment. Canada is a peaceful country and is considered very safe for a living. Most of the universities keep campus security for the whole day. All universities in Canada have 24x7 campus security which includes security patrol cars and campus security offices to solve students' grievances. Certain universities have also instigated the '**Walk Safe**' program, in which the students can easily get access to public conveyance during late-night hours.

The Canadian Automobile Association (CAA) provides roadside assistance if your vehicle breaks down while driving in Canada. All Cabs in Canada has assistance information found in the backseat

Canada Visa Requirements

The Canadian Government provides an opportunity to all Indian students to study in the country but for that they are required to obtain a Study Permit before going to Canada. Along with the study permit, students will also need a **Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)** to get an entry in Canada. Study permit is a document that enables students to study in the country but TRV is a visa which allows students to enter in the Country.

The student can apply for a Study permit under the Student Partners Program (SPP) of the Association of Canadian Community Colleges and the Canadian Immigration Programs in New Delhi and Chandigarh. To qualify for Study Permit Application under SPP the student should hold an unconditional offer letter from one of the universities/colleges that are included under this scheme.

SPP is currently open to Indian nationals only. It takes at least two months for students Visa to be processed.

Documents Checklist for SPP (STUDENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM):

- SPP Checklist – Students can attach THIS checklist as a cover sheet to their application
- Fully completed Application form (all questions answered), dated and signed, indicating students personal mailing address, reliable phone contact, and their personal email address
- Original, valid passport as well as a photocopy of the biodata page
- Family Information Form and Student Questionnaire

- Two passport photographs with a white background and each family member requesting a visa. The photographs should have students' name printed on the back, dated and taken in the past 6 months
- Letter of Acceptance from students' SPP educational institute in Canada stating unconditional admission, the course title, duration of the study, level of study, start date (multiple start dates, if applicable) and latest possible date of admission
- Use of a Representative form (IMM 5476) (if applicable)
- IELTS test results have taken within the last 24 months with overall band not less than 6.0, with no individual band lower than 5.5
- Photocopy of the most recent diploma/leaving certificate, and most recent mark sheets (for the entire program; consolidated mark sheets are NOT acceptable)
- Copy of receipts for tuition payment provided by the SPP institution
- Proof of funds: Students MUST demonstrate the purchase of a special (GIC) from a participating Canadian financial institution, in the amount of \$10,000 CAD to cover living expenses for their first year in Canada. Please consult page 2 for information on how to obtain a GIC. Official GIC document is mandatory.
- Copy of medical examination form IMM1017 if students are opted to undergo a medical examination before submitting their application

Note:

- It is mandatory to complete a medical examination prior to submission application. Medical results are valid for one year.
- Only one application per person per semester will be processed under the SPP (Student Partnership Program). Subsequent applications for the same semester following a refusal will NOT form part of SPP processing.
- To file Study Permit application under SPP, it is mandatory to show a GIC certificate obtained from Scotia Bank proving that funds to the extent of CAD\$ 10000 are available as living costs for the student.
- After reviewing your application, the Visa officer will decide if an interview is necessary.

What's Next?

We at J S Global help students throughout with free counseling on their study abroad queries.

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