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Study Permit

Student Partner's Program

Visa Office Instructions for:

Bengaluru (Bangalore), Chandigarh, New Delhi



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STUDENT PARTNERS PROGRAM (SPP) IN INDIA

The Student Partners Program (SPP) is an administrative framework designed and implemented in partnership between the Canadian visa offices in India and <u>Colleges and Institutes Canada</u> (CICan). The current list of participating CICan members is the following:

- 1. Algonquin College
- 2. Assiniboine Community College
- 3. Bow Valley College
- 4. Cambrian College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 5. Camosun College
- 6. Canadore College
- 7. Centennial College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 8. College of New Caledonia
- 9. College of the Rockies
- 10. Columbia College
- 11. Conestoga College
- 12. Confederation College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 13. Douglas College
- 14. Durham College
- 15. Fanshawe College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 16. Fleming College
- 17. George Brown College
- 18. Georgian College of Arts & Technology
- 19. Humber College Institute of Technology & Advanced Learning
- 20. Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- 21. Lakeland College
- 22. Langara College
- 23. Lambton College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 24. LaSalle College
- 25. Loyalist College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 26. Manitoba Institute of Trades & Technology
- 27. Medicine Hat College
- 28. Mohawk College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 29. Niagara College
- 30. North Island College
- 31. Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
- 32. Northern College
- 33. Northern Lights
- 34. NorQuest College
- 35. Okanagan College
- 36. Parkland College
- 37. Red River College of Applied Arts, Science & Technology
- 38. Saskatchewan Polytechnic
- 39. Sault College
- 40. Selkirk College
- 41. Seneca College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 42. Sheridan College Institute of Technology & Advanced Learning
- 43. St. Clair College of Applied Arts & Technology
- 44. St. Lawrence College
- 45. University of the Fraser Valley
- 46. Vancouver Community College
- 47. Vancouver Island University

Please note that there are many other CICan colleges which also welcome students from India. Applications to these colleges will also receive prompt processing and a fair and individual decision based on the documentation provided. Further information is found on the <u>CICan</u> website, including a full list of member institutions.

The Student Partners Program is open to Indian nationals only. Students do not apply to the SPP; they apply to a participating college and may be considered under the program if they meet specific criteria. Application submission under the SPP is at the discretion of each participating college. **Persons who have previously been refused any Canadian study permit application are not eligible to apply under SPP.**

Students interested in submitting applications under the program are encouraged to contact the participating college of their choice for information. The Student Partners Program involves close cooperative partnership and feedback from the participating colleges to ensure student compliance with the terms of their study permits. Essential to the program feedback mechanism is the student's consent for the institution to provide information on attendance. **The student must sign the consent declaration on the SPP checklist in order to be processed under this program.**

All Study Permit application checklists have been revised and improved as a result of the Student Partners Program framework to help students make simpler applications. All students are strongly encouraged to submit supporting documents as indicated in the checklists to facilitate the processing of their applications.

PRE-APPLICATION MEDICAL EXAMINATION – SPP

- Students applying under SPP must undergo medical examination before submitting their Study Permit application by visiting one of the designated panel physicians in India.
- After completion of your medical examination, the panel physician will provide you with one copy of your medical examination form. This form must be submitted together with your Study Permit application.
- DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION UNTIL ONE WEEK AFTER YOUR MEDICAL EXAMINATION IS COMPLETED.
- Submission of this form does not guarantee approval of your application. Do not make any commitments until your Study Permit application has been approved. All costs for the medical examination are payable by the applicant and non-refundable. Submit your application at the visa office responsible for your area of residence. Failure to do so will result in multiple delays due to the necessity of file transfer.

APPLICATION FOR A STUDY PERMIT – SPP CHECKLIST

- This checklist should be used in conjunction with the IMM 5483 Document Checklist for a Study Permit.
- Any document not in English or French must be accompanied by a certified translation.
- Failure to submit all required documentation may result in the refusal of your application or delay processing.
- False statements or submission of fraudulent documents will result in refusal.
- You may be required to attend an interview.
- A medical exam may be required for study program exceeding 6 months. SPP applicants are required to undergo up-front medical examinations, per instructions below.
- We strongly recommend that you submit your application at least three months ahead of your proposed date of travel. Applications that are received after 01 April for May entry, after 01 August for September entry and after 01 December

for January entry will not normally be processed in time for the start of classes and may be refused.

- When submitting your completed and signed application form, be sure to include the barcode (last) page.
- Applications will not be accepted by VFS under the Student Partner Program without a copy of the formal GIC document. No wire transfers or bank remittances will be accepted as a proof of purchase of a GIC.
- Accompanying spouse and children of all ages must submit their own application forms

You must submit the following:

SPP Checklist – Attach THIS checklist as a cover sheet to your application.

Original, valid passport and a photocopy of the biodata (photo) page. Include all cancelled or expired passports, if applicable. The passport should be valid for the duration of proposed study, as the validity of the study permit cannot exceed the validity of the passport.

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Two photographs meeting the photograph specifications with a white background for yourself and each family member requesting a visa. The photographs should have your name printed on the back, dated and taken in the past 6 months.

Letter of Acceptance from your SPP educational institute in Canada stating unconditional admission, course title, duration of study, level of study, start date (multiple start dates, if applicable) and latest possible date of admission.

IELTS test results taken within 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 or leaving certificate**, and most recent mark sheets (for entire program; consolidated mark sheets are NOT acceptable)

Copy of **receipts** for tuition payment provided by the SPP institution.

Proof of funds: You **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 your first year in Canada.

Copy of medical examination form **IMM 1017**.

If you have answered "yes" to any of the background information questions on the application form, provide a completed and signed **Schedule 1** form (Application for Temporary Resident Visa – IMM 5257B) and include it with your application.

Family Information Form (IMM 5645) fully completed, signed and dated.

Additional requirements for minor children:

Minors travelling alone or with a person other than their parents or legal guardians \square **should** have a letter of authorization signed by both parents and legal guardians. It should also include the name of the adult who will be responsible for the children in Canada.

Minors travelling with only one parent or legal guardian should have a letter of authorization from the non-accompanying parent or guardian.

A copy of the page of the passport or other government-issued identification document showing the name, photo and signature of each non-accompanying parent should be submitted with the application.

These documents should be available for presentation at the Canadian Port of Entry.

PRE-APPLICATION MEDICAL EXAMINATION – SPP

When visiting the panel physician, you must bring the following documents:

5 passport pictures

Your original passport

A photocopy of your **passport bio data** (photo) page

Your **letter of acceptance** from an SPP institution

Declaration: All documents checked are included. I attest to the truthfulness of the documents and information included in this application. I also declare that I have never been refused an application submitted for a Canadian study permit. Misrepresentation of any material fact will lead to my being refused and being found inadmissible to Canada for a period of 5 years. I agree to the Canadian partner institution providing information to the visa office regarding my enrolment standing at request of the visa office.

Applicant Name:_____ Signature: _____

HOW TO OBTAIN A GUARANTEED INVESTMENT CERTIFICATE (GIC)

According to Citizenship and Immigration Canada guidelines, you will require approximately \$10,000 CAD per year, not including tuition fees, to cover your living expenses. This requirement is fulfilled through the purchase of a participating GIC, and evidence that you have paid your tuition.

At present, <u>Scotiabank</u> and <u>ICICI Bank Canada</u> are the only participating Canadian financial institutions. Please visit their websites to learn more about the GIC.

ACCEPTABLE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA

The Education Loan must be provided by a bank governed by the Reserve Bank of India. All international banks operating in India also meet these criteria.

Andhra Bank Allahabad Bank AXIS Bank Ltd Bank of Baroda Bank of India Bank of Maharashtra Bank of Punjab Ltd **BNP** Paribas Canara Bank Central Bank of India Centurion Bank of Punjab Ltd Citibank Corporation Bank Dena Bank Federal Bank Ltd HDFC Bank Ltd Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) IDBI Bank Ltd Indian Overseas Bank Indian Bank Ing Vysya Bank Ltd Indusind Bank Ltd **ICICI Bank** Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd Karnataka Bank Ltd Kotak Mahindra Bank NOVA Scotia Bank **Oriental Bank of Commerce** Punjab National Bank Punjab and Sind Bank South Indian Bank Ltd Standard Chartered Bank State Bank of India State Bank of Bikaner and Jaipur State Bank of Hyderabad State Bank of Indore State Bank of Mysore State Bank of Patiala State Bank of Saurashtra State Bank of Travancore Syndicate Bank UCO Bank Union Bank of India Vijaya Bank

STUDY PERMIT QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete this questionnaire using the space provided. Read the questions carefully and answer **all** applicable questions.

1) Disclose the name of the agent or representative who assisted you with your admission forms and study permit application. NOTE: Failure to disclose an agent or representative could negatively affect the decision on your study permit application.

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usiness address:	
none:	
mail:	
our name:	
our address:	
our Phone:	
our E-mail:	

2) Provide the details of your education and work experience since the age of 18. Start with the most recent information. Under "Activity" write your course of study or details of your job if you were working. If you were not working or studying, provide information about what you were doing. For example: unemployed, travelling, etc. DO NOT leave any gaps.

From (M/Y)	To (M/Y)	Name of company, employer, school, as applicable	Activity	Type of certificate or diploma issued (if studying) or Position title if working

3) Complete the following chart with regard to a) your parents and b) any other individual, including yourself, who is a primary financial support for your program of studies, where applicable.

Note: enter "not applicable" where appropriate	Place of Employment or Business: 1) street and mailing address; 2) telephone number; 3) email address; 4) position or title	Net Income: from preceding calendar year in a) INR and b) Canadian dollar equivalent	Primary Source of Income: (example: salary, business, property rents)
FATHER Name:			
MOTHER Name:			
Other (1) Name:			
Relationship to Applicant:			
Other (2) Name:			
Relationship to Applicant:			

4) If your course of study includes English as a second language (ESL) component, please explain how long it will take to complete English as a second language (ESL) requirement and how much it will cost.

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