

PERMANENT RESIDENCE

EXPRESS ENTRY

IRCC Express Entry is Canada's flagship application management system for key economic immigration programs, including the Canadian Experience Class, the Federal Skilled Worker Program, the Federal Skilled Trades Program and a portion of the Provincial Nominee Program.

Programs managed through the IRCC Express Entry system attract high-skilled foreign workers who want to live in Canada permanently and whose in-demand skills are needed by employers across the country to help build businesses and grow the economy.

Express Entry remains unchanged until the improvements below are implemented on June 6, 2017. At that time, Ministerial Instructions with further details will also be published in the Canada Gazette and on the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada website.

In addition, All Express Entry applicants must obtain at least 67 points based on Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada's (IRCC) immigration selection factors.

Selection Factors



- **Education:**
Up to 25 points can be awarded for your formal education.
- **Language Skills:**
Up to 28 total points can be awarded (24-first official language, 4-second official language).
- **Work Experience:**
You can be awarded up to 15 points for certain paid, skilled work experience that you have acquired in the last 10 years, but you must attain a minimum score of 9 points in order to qualify.
- **Age:**
Up to 12 points can be awarded based on your age at the time of applying.
- **Arranged Employment:**
Up to 10 points can be awarded if you have arranged employment in Canada that meets with certain requirements.
- **Adaptability:**
Up to 10 points can be awarded for a number of factors that show that you are adaptable in moving to Canada.

Federal Skilled Worker

FSW applications are assessed based on an applicant's qualifications and experience as well as their ability to be economically independent upon immigration to Canada.

To be considered eligible for a Canadian Immigration (Permanent Resident) Visa, FSW you must:

- Have at least one year of continuous full-time or equivalent paid work experience in the past 10 years in a skilled occupation (National Occupational Classification skill level 0, A or B); or
- Qualify for Arranged Employment In Canada with a Labour Market Impact Assessment and a full-time, permanent job offer from a Canadian employer; and
- Pass a minimum threshold of language ability in one of Canada's two official languages, English or French.

Federal Skilled Trades

The Federal Skilled Trades Class (FSTC) allows individuals with job offers or appropriate certification to work in certain occupations to obtain Canadian permanent residence in any Canadian province or territory other than Quebec.

To be considered eligible for a Canadian Immigration (Permanent Resident) Visa, FSTC you must:

- Have offers of employment from up to two employers in Canada of at least one year duration OR a Certificate of Qualification from a provincial or territorial body;
- Provide proof of basic language proficiency from a designated language testing organization, demonstrating that the applicant meets the minimum threshold set by the Minister — Canadian Level Benchmark (CLB) 5 for speaking and listening, CLB 4 for reading and writing;
- Have obtained 24 months of qualified work experience in the skilled trade in the last five years; and
- Be able to demonstrate the skills and experience and that they have performed the essential duties of the occupation.

Provincial Nomination Programs

The Provincial Nomination Programs (PNP's) allow Canadian provinces and territories to nominate selected individuals who wish to immigrate to Canada and who are interested in settling in a particular province, thereby helping those provinces achieve their economic goals.

Every Canadian province and territory (except Nunavut and Quebec) has its own unique PNP program. Each PNP has at least one immigration stream that is aligned with the Federal Express Entry immigration selection system. →

Provincial nominations issued under these Express Entry-aligned streams are known as 'enhanced nominations' and award lucky Express Entry candidates an additional 600 Comprehensive Ranking System (CRS) points.

With more than 80 provincial immigration streams, discovering a Canadian immigration mode that best suits you may be tough.

Note: Self-employment and work experience gained while you were a full-time student (for example, on a co-op work term) does not count under this program.

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ELIGIBLE OCCUPATIONS

Maintenance & Equipment Operation Trades



Chefs & Cooks



Butchers & Bakers

Industrial, Electrical & Construction Trades



Processing, Manufacturing & Utilities Supervisors & Central Control Operators



Once it has been determined that you meet the eligibility and points requirements, you must show that you have sufficient settlement funds to support yourself and any dependents after your arrival in Canada. Finally, You and your dependents must also undergo medical examinations and obtain security clearances as part of the Canadian immigration application process..

Canadian Experience Class

Temporary foreign workers are ideal candidates for Canadian immigration (permanent residence). Having obtained Canadian work experience, these individuals have already settled into Canadian society and established important networks in their communities and their careers.

Canadian Experience Class applications are processed through the Express Entry selection system for immigration to Canada. Eligible candidates must make an expression of interest in immigrating to Canada, create an online Express Entry profile, and receive an Invitation to Apply for permanent residence before they may make an application.

CEC Requirements

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements. They must:

- Have obtained at least one year of skilled, professional or technical work experience in Canada within 36 months of the application date; and
- Meet or surpass a Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) of 5 ("initial intermediate") or 7 ("adequate intermediate proficiency"), depending on the level of the job; and
- Plan to live and work outside of the province of Quebec (individuals with work experience in Quebec and who plan to reside in Quebec may apply to the Quebec Experience Class).

Applicants can remain in Canada throughout the application process. However, the Canadian Experience Class is also open to individuals who are no longer in Canada, provided that they submit their application within three years of leaving their job in Canada.

The Canadian Experience Class requirements are based on a pass or fail model. If the minimum requirements are met, the applicant is eligible to enter the Express Entry pool.

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