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# Study Permits in Canada

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# The Basics:

- All students in programs of studies of 6 months or more need a Study Permit.
- Applications to include:
  - Complete application form and fees
  - Letter of acceptance from a Canadian educational institution
  - Proof of financial support
  - Custodianship (for minors – note that age of majority differs by province)
  - Medical examinations will be required for students coming from designated countries.
  - Certificat d'acceptation du Québec (Students destined to Quebec only)



# The Basics (cont.)

- Strongly Suggested:
  - Information regarding the Rotary Youth Exchange Program
  - Information regarding the applicant : why was this student chosen? What ties does he/she have to his/her home country?
  - Apply as soon as possible – do not wait until the last minute. Processing times vary by office.
- All study permit applications are processed on a case-by-case basis. The officer is assessing the intentions of the applicant, not the quality of the program or school in question.



# What's New?

- Canada's increased efforts to keep Canadian-educated individuals... at the post-secondary level. New programs (Post-graduate Work permits, Canadian Experience Class) are not applicable to secondary students.
- Students who wish to pursue their studies in Canada may apply for study permit extensions from within Canada.
- Students destined to British Columbia may be issued a Work Permit with their Study Permit, as the province requires that all high school students in grades 11 and 12 obtain work experience in order to graduate.



# What if the application is refused?

- Look at the refusal grounds, which will be included in the refusal letter.
- If a new application is submitted, include more information and address any points covered in the refusal letter. A previously refused application will normally be looked at by a different visa officer.
- Sometimes the answer will be no...



For more information:

- [www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca)





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