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This way to Seneca… at Home

If you have received your Letter of Acceptance (LOA) and Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL) for the Fall (September) 2026 intake, please review and complete all checklist items below. If you have not received your LOA and PAL, you can follow the status of your application on **Student Home**.

If you need help with any of the steps outlined here, contact us at **theservicehub@senecapolytechnic.ca**.

Studying From Home

This checklist is for international students who:

i) will be staying in their home country,
ii) will be joining classes online (your courses must be available in online or flexible **delivery format** to study from home).
iii) understand that time spent studying outside of Canada from September 1, 2024 is not counted toward PGWP.

International Students Enrolling in the September 2026 Term

Your eligibility for a PGWP depends on your program of study, the date you submitted your study permit application or PGWP application and meeting the minimum language proficiency required by the government.

To be eligible for a PGWP, you must complete a degree program or another program that meets the field of study requirements. You must also:

- Complete the duration of your program inside Canada, time spent studying outside Canada will be deducted from the length of your PGWP
- Complete at least 50% of your program in class
- ”In class” includes: in-person, hybrid, and flexible delivery format
- For flexible delivery you must plan to attend on campus
- Meet the minimum language proficiency required by IRCC, which is a Canadian Language Benchmark 5 (CLB5) for graduates of certificate, diploma, advanced diplomas, or graduate certificates; and Canadian Language Benchmark 7 (CLB7) for graduates of degree programs
- Meet all other PGWP requirements

To ensure you are eligible for a PGWP, please review the date of your study permit application.

01 Your Application/Acceptance Checklist

IMPORTANT TO-DO'S

Jul. ASAP

To complete as soon as possible before your first day of class on September 8, 2026

- ☐ Login to Student Home to confirm your program choice.
- ☐ To reserve a seat in your program and be eligible to enrol in classes, you must pay your first semester fees by the due date in your fee notice. Once you have paid your first semester fees, you will receive a Letter of Acceptance (LOA) and Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL), if applicable, from Seneca.
  *Students can receive up to a $5,000 Entrance Scholarship. The amount received is based on the number of years of study.
- ☐ Apply for your study permit. Seneca has partnered with BorderPass to offer you free access to comprehensive immigration application support services for your Canadian study permit. This safe, nationally recognized service connects you with Canadian immigration lawyers who will review and submit your application ensuring it is complete and accurate.

  Create your BorderPass account and get your application started now. During the application process and throughout your studies at Seneca, you will also have access to personalized immigration support from Seneca's immigration specialist team.

REMEMBER: Keep Seneca updated about your study permit processing by following the Tip Sheet.

> **NOTE: Some programs require you to complete a Skills Assessment Test. The test must be completed before you can proceed with building your timetable.**

Aug. 7

Enrolment opens August 7, 2026

- ☐ If you have paid your first semester fees, you can select your class schedule starting on August 7, 2026. When studying from your home country, you must select online or flexible delivery for all your classes. Instructions can be found online. Join a virtual or in-person session to learn more about building your class schedule. You can also watch the Enrolment and Class Schedule Building tutorial on demand.

Aug. 17

International Virtual Orientation on August 17, 2026

- ☐ **Attend INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL ORIENTATION**
  Don't miss this important introduction for international students. If you cannot attend, watch the recorded version online.

Aug. 31

All Student Virtual Orientation on August 31, 2026

- ☐ Join all new students at Seneca for a virtual orientation. If you cannot attend, watch the recording online.

Sept. 8

September 8, 2026

CLASSES BEGIN

THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN STUDYING FROM HOME

02 Technology

- ☐ All students who are attending Seneca from their home countries need to ensure that their technology (hardware, software and network access) meet all requirements for accessing Seneca online. These requirements can be found online. Visit the ITS website for resources on getting access to technology at Seneca.

03 Downloads

Please add these applications to your mobile phone or tablet.

- [ ] **Seneca Virtual OneCard**

  The Virtual Seneca OneCard is your student I.D. You can use it to access library resources, manage your student account and more.

- [ ] **Seneca's App Suite**

  Seneca has an app suite to help you stay up-to-date on the latest Seneca news and access resources, including your class schedule, grades, fees and more through Seneca Mobile.

04 Stay Connected

- [ ] Seneca has many activities for international students to help you meet other students and stay connected virtually. Join Student Services to participate in activities to get to know Canadian culture and meet new friends.