

Fraud Awareness

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The following section provides information and tips to help you become aware of common scams that target international students and what you can do to protect yourself against fraud.

Things to look for:

- a call/email from someone posing as a Government Official from Immigration Canada indicating that there are outstanding fees due to incorrect information provided on your immigration applications
- third party, fraudulent web pages and apps that may be posing as official Government platforms
- fraudulent emails, texts or calls about [repaying the Canada Emergency Response Benefit](#) or [repaying the Canada Emergency Student Benefit](#)
- any threats from a caller indicating that you will lose your visa or status; these are likely fraudulent calls

Note: The Government of Canada and financial institutions would not reach out to you in this manner.

If you would like to learn more tips on how to protect yourself against fraud and how to report suspicious activity, [visit the Government of Canada website](#).

To speak to a representative from International Student Services, please join [an upcoming session for international students](#) or contact international.services@senecacollege.ca

Resources

- [Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre](#)
- [Government of Canada - Internet, email and telephone scams](#)
- [Government of Canada - Slam the scam – Protect yourself against fraud](#)
- [Government of Canada - Samples of Fraudulent Emails](#)

- [Government of Canada - Protect yourself from immigration fraud](#)
- [Competition Bureau Canada Publications - The Little Black Book of Scams](#) (available in eight languages)
- [Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada - Help Centre: Fraud and scams](#)
- [Toronto Police - Fraud Know it Before it Knows You](#)