

New Student Checklist

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Prepare to Study at Seneca

If you are starting your studies in 2026/2027 as an international student, please review our [checklists about preparing to study](#). Additional resources are also available on this page.

Apply for your study permit

Anyone who is planning to study in Canada for longer than six months is required to have a study permit. After you have paid your tuition fees, you must apply for a Canadian study permit. If your program includes co-op/work placement, you should apply for a co-op work permit together with your study permit application. Refer to our [Guide](#) for support.

You are advised to plan ahead to apply for your study permit as the processing time varies for each country. Visit the [Citizenship and Immigration Canada website](#) to apply for your Study Permit.

Apply for housing

Depending on your preferences, you can choose on and off-campus [housing options](#).

Request Your Airport Pick-Up

Submit your travel plans using the Seneca MOBILE app to book your complimentary [airport pick-up](#).

Activate your My Seneca account

Set up your Seneca email account and learn how to access our online services. For activation instructions visit myid.senecacollege.ca.

Book your Skills Assessment

As a new student at Seneca, you may be required to write the Skills Assessment, even if you have already written a pre-admissions test. The Skills Assessment is a tool to determine your academic placement in mathematics. We use the results of this assessment to prepare your

timetable. Students accepted into a graduate certificate program do not need to complete this assessment. While there is no assessment fee, if you do not write the assessment on time, you may be charged a \$30 late fee. Learn more about [Skills Assessments](#) and how to book and find practice assessments, workshop schedules and study guides.

Check if you are eligible for Transfer Credit

Transfer Credits are granted for courses taken at another accredited postsecondary institution which are deemed as equivalent to a course at Seneca. If you have a college or university level course that's similar to a Seneca course, you may be eligible to apply for Transfer Credit at Seneca. Eligibility information and steps for how to apply can be found on the [Transfer Credit](#) web page.

Enrol in classes

After paying your fees, select your class schedule and enrol in courses when [enrolment opens](#) for your term. For more information please visit [Selecting Your Class Schedule](#).

If you have forgotten your Student Home login information, please visit [MyID Self Service](#).

Entering Your Study Permit Information

Seneca requires all international students to enter the information found on their study permit into Student Home. Once completed, students are required to upload a copy of their study permit. Log into Student Home and select your "Tasks" tile to begin.

[Review instructions for entering your study permit information.](#)

Read about your student health and dental insurance plan

All international students have mandatory [health insurance](#) covered through their tuition fee.

Find your way to campus

[Transportation](#) options, [parking](#) and [shuttle bus](#) services available at Seneca will make the commute to your campus easy and comfortable.

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