

Update from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada – Sept. 23

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Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) has announced an [extension to the policy changes](#) to current post-graduation work permit (PGWP) eligibility requirements related to studying abroad. These changes will be in effect until Aug. 31, 2023.

These changes will affect students differently depending on when you [submitted your study permit application](#):

If you submitted a study permit application and obtained an acknowledgement of receipt from IRCC on or before Aug. 31, 2022:

- You will be able to complete up to 100 per cent of your program online from abroad until Aug. 31, 2023 without your PGWP eligibility being negatively affected.
- Your courses need to be delivered in [an online or flexible format and you must meet](#) all the other [PGWP requirements](#).
- Any study time you complete abroad after Sept. 1, 2023 will be deducted from the length of your PGWP.

If you submitted a study permit application and obtained an acknowledgment of receipt after Aug. 31, 2022:

- You must complete at least 50 per cent of your program in Canada.
- If your program includes courses with required in-class learning activities (e.g., hybrid or in-person delivery), you must be in Canada and come to campus for your classes; check your [program delivery](#) to confirm.
- Your classes in Canada may be delivered online and/or in Seneca's flexible, hybrid or in-person format and you must meet all the other [PGWP requirements](#).
- Any study time you complete abroad after Sept. 1, 2023 will be deducted from the length of your PGWP.

For more information, please visit the [FAQs](#) or email . theservicehub@senecacollege.ca.

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