

# Internationally educated nurse finds success in Canada and continues to give back

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When Chris Fernandez graduated with a bachelor's degree in nursing from Central Philippine University in 2005, he didn't know where his career would take him. After years of work in the Philippines, Saudi Arabia and Bermuda, he was thrilled to come to Canada in 2018.

"I started thinking about it in 2013," Mr. Fernandez said. "I had visited family in Canada and liked everything I knew about it."

Despite being fluent in English and having years of work experience it wasn't easy for him to practise in Canada. His path forward began with an application to [INSCOL](#) — a service that helps internationally educated nurses get the education and permits they need to work in the country.

That application led Mr. Fernandez to Seneca, where he completed the [Nursing Leadership & Management](#) graduate certificate program.

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