



Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) Overview

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	Brief Overview (not comprehensive)	Helpful Links
WHO	You are eligible for the PGWP if you: - Completed an NBCC program that was at least 8 months in length and led to a diploma or certificate, and - Maintained full-time status during each semester of your program (some exceptions apply; see link). You can only receive a PGWP once in your life. Updates announced on September 18, 2024 add additional requirements for the PGWP: - Language requirements: Study program requirements - Canada.ca - Field of study requirements: Study program requirements - Canada.ca	Work in Canada after you graduate: Who can apply - Canada.ca
WHAT	The PGWP is an open work permit meaning it is not tied to any specific location, type of work, or employer. You also do not need to have a job arranged to apply for it. The duration of the PGWP depends on the duration of your program of study. Review the link provided to learn more.	Duration of the PGWP
WHEN	You apply for the PGWP after you have completed your program of study. You must apply within 180 days of receiving your Letter of Completion from NBCC.	Work in Canada after you graduate: How to apply - Canada.ca

	for them at the same time as your PGWP application so you are prompted to upload their documentation as well. Spouse or Common-Law Partner: you are only able to include an extension of your spouse/common-law partner's open work permit (OWP) with your PGWP application if you are employed at the time of your application (temporary measure in effect until January 2025).	C45, C46, C47, C48, C49, C52]– Canadian interest – International Mobility Program - Canada.ca
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