BC PROVINCIAL NOMINEE PROGRAM:

Immigration Pathways for International Students

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Immigration Programs Branch
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Immigration to B.C.

Skills Immigration stream
Express Entry BC (EEBC) stream
Entrepreneur Immigration stream
• Includes Base Category, Regional Pilot, and Strategic Projects

Application to BC PNP
Application for Permanent Residence (IRCC)

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BC PNP Skills Immigration & Express Entry BC

Skills Immigration

- Skilled Worker
- International Graduate
- Entry Level & Semi-Skilled

Express Entry BC

- Requires federal Express Entry profile
- Skilled Worker
- International Graduate
- Healthcare Professional
- International Post-Graduate
- EEBC – Skilled Worker
- EEBC – International Graduate
- EEBC – Healthcare Professional
- EEBC – International Post-Graduate

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SI vs EEBC – What are the differences?

Skills Immigration

• You do not need to qualify for Express Entry to apply
• You may be able to apply immediately after graduation
• Canadian work experience not necessarily required
• All skill level occupations - NOC 0, A, B, C & D
• Processing time for PR is around 14-18 months and is a paper process

Express Entry BC

• Nominees receive 600 points in the federal Express Entry pool

BUT

• You must first qualify for one of the 3 federal immigration programs: FSW, CEC, FST
  • work experience, language, settlement funds
• Skilled occupations: NOC 0/A/B
• Processing time for PR is around 6 months and is an online process

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Skills Immigration Stream Process

- Complete studies
- Job offer
- BC PNP Registration
- Nomination
- Application
- Invitation
- IRCC application for PR
- Permanent Residence

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Express Entry BC Process

1. Complete studies
2. Job offer
3. EE registration with IRCC
4. Receive EE profile info
5. Nomination
6. Application
7. Invitation
8. BC PNP Registration
9. Receive 600 points in EE profile
10. EE invitation
11. IRCC application & decision
12. Permanent Residence

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## Registration Scoring

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General Program Requirements

- Full-time, indeterminate job offer
  - (one-year job offer for Tech Pilot occupations; No job offer required for eligible International Post-Graduates)
- Occupation, qualifications & wage
- Language proficiency
- Minimum income
- Legally able to work in Canada
- Intent to reside

*Additional requirements for EEBC stream
Employer Requirements

- Minimum 1 year in business (2 years if Entry Level / Semi-Skilled)
- Has 5 employees (3 if outside Greater Vancouver)
- History of good workplace and business practices
- Offered permanent full-time job with market wage (1yr for tech)
- Satisfied recruitment requirements

Employer Responsibilities

- Accuracy of employer info sections of the online application
- Notify of changes in the employment status or if the business has closed or changed ownership.
**Employer Requirements**

- Same employer requirements for SI and EEBC
- Good financial standing
- Established for 1 year
- Sufficient staff
- Full-time, indeterminate offer
- Market rate wages

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**International Graduate Category**

**International Graduate SI - IG**

- Degree/Diploma/Certificate in an eligible program and institution in Canada
- Completed within past 3 years
- Min of 8 months full-time study
- Ability and intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically
- NOC B applications require language test scores

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**International Graduate EEBC - IG**

- Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

- Degree/Diploma/Certificate in an eligible program and institution in Canada
- Completed within past 3 years
- Min of 8 months full-time study
- Ability and intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

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Health Care Professionals contact Health Match BC

[www.healthmatchbc.org](http://www.healthmatchbc.org)

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International Post-Graduate Category

**Employer**

- N/A: Offer of employment not required

**International Post-Graduate**

**SI - IPG**

- Completed requirements for a Master’s or PhD at an eligible B.C. institution
- Eligible studies limited to natural, applied, or health sciences
- Completed within past 3 years
- Ability and intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

**International Post-Graduate**

**EEBC - IPG**

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- Completed within past 3 years
- Ability and intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

OR

- Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

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Is my program eligible for IPG?

Your graduate degree (master’s or doctorate) must be in one of the following programs of study in the natural, applied, or health sciences as defined by Statistics Canada’s Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2016:

- Agriculture, agriculture operations and related sciences
- Biological and biomedical sciences
- Computer and information sciences and support services
- Engineering
- Engineering technology and engineering-related fields
- Health professions and related programs
- Mathematics and statistics
- Natural resources conservation
- Physical sciences

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Skilled Worker (SW) Category

**Employer**
- Good financial standing
- Established for 1 year
- Sufficient staff
- Full-time, indeterminate offer
- Market rate wages

**Skilled Worker SI - SW**
- Minimum 2 years related experience
- Requisite education for job
- BC certification (if required)
- Legally able to work in B.C.
- Establish economically
- NOC B applications
- Language test scores

**Skilled Worker EEBC - SW**
- Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool
- Min. 2 years related experience
- Requisite education for job
- B.C. certification (if required)
- Legally able to work in B.C.
- Establish economically

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BC Tech Pilot

Supporting B.C.’s technology sector

Service & Timeliness
- Dedicated concierge service
- Dedicated email for employers
- 29 priority tech occupations
- 2-day response time / just-in-time access

Prioritization
- Assigned next business day
- Fast-tracked
- BC PNP tech team

Engagement
- Increased and focused outreach to tech sector

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### 29 Eligible Occupations

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<td>Computer and information systems managers</td>
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<td>Industrial instrument technicians and mechanics</td>
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<td>Managers - publishing, motion pictures, broadcasting and performing arts</td>
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<td>Computer network technicians</td>
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<td>Civil engineers</td>
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<td>Computer engineers (except software engineers and designers)</td>
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Are you ready to register or apply?

Step 1:

Step 2:

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Eligibility for IPG, EEBC & IPG Programs

For a full list of programs by institution, please download our IPG & EEBC IPG Eligible Programs of Study from the documents page of the website.
You do not need a representative to apply to the BC PNP.

**PAID** reps must be a member of either:
- The Immigration Consultants of Canada Regulatory Council
  ([http://www.iccrc-crcic.ca/home.cfm](http://www.iccrc-crcic.ca/home.cfm)); or
- A Canadian Law Society

**UNPAID** reps can be a family member, friend, NGO/charity and cannot charge fees or receive any other compensation.
Accessing the BC PNP in times of COVID:

- Our office is closed for in-person service
- Applicants are able to register/apply online to the BC PNP
- We continue to issue invitations to apply (with some exclusions)
- BC PNP staff are working remotely, processing applications and responding to inquiries via email / phone
- We are meeting processing service standard of 3 months for 80% of applications
- Nominees can contact our office for help, including with expiring work permits, changing employers and applying for permanent residence.

For COVID-19 related BC PNP immigration updates and instructions, please visit [www.WelcomeBC.ca/PNP](http://www.WelcomeBC.ca/PNP)
COVID-19 related measures:

- 31 occupations excluded from invitations to apply
- International Graduates are eligible for the category for up to 3 years from graduation using the date of initial registration
- Recruitment – employers must show that they tried to recruit locally
- Documents – flexibility with deadlines to submit
- Remote work - in BC, outside BC
- Nominees must contact us if material changes to employment

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Scenarios
Student A

- Student A finished their Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from UBC last year.
- They are working as a Database Administrator (NOC: 2172).
- They have 2 years of related work experience from their home country.
- They are in the Express Entry pool.
Scenarios: Student A

Skills Immigration
- Job offer required
  - Skilled Worker
  - Health Care Professional
  - International Post-Graduate
  - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled
- Job offer not required
  - International Post-Graduate

Express Entry BC
- Job offer required
  - EEBC Skilled Worker
  - EEBC Health Care Professional
  - EEBC International Graduate
- Job offer not required
  - EEBC International Post-Graduate

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Student B

• Student B finished their MEng from UBC last year.
• They just started working full-time as a Civil Engineer (NOC 2131).
• They do not have any other work experience except for co-ops.
• They plan to live and work in B.C.
• They want to register in the Express Entry pool.
Scenarios: Student B

Skills Immigration

- Job offer required
  - Skilled Worker
  - Health Care Professional
  - International Graduate
  - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled
- Job offer not required
  - International Post-Graduate

Express Entry BC

- Job offer required
  - EEBC Skilled Worker
  - EEBC Health Care Professional
  - EEBC International Graduate
- Job offer not required
  - EEBC International Post-Graduate

NOC 2131-Civil Engineer is an eligible occupation for the BC PNP Tech Pilot

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Student C

- Student C finished their MBA from UBC 5 years ago.
- They’ve been working full-time as an IT Consultant (NOC 2171) since 2015.
- They are not in the Express Entry pool.
NOC 2171 - IT Consultants is an eligible occupation for the BC PNP Tech Pilot

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