

BC PROVINCIAL NOMINEE PROGRAM:

Immigration Pathways for International Students

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Agenda

1. Immigration & BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) Overview
2. Skills Immigration & Express Entry Streams
3. BC PNP Tech Pilot
4. COVID-19
5. Q&A

Immigration to B.C.

Application to BC PNP

Application for Permanent Residence (IRCC)

Skills Immigration stream

Express Entry BC (EEBC) stream

Entrepreneur Immigration stream

- Includes Base Category, Regional Pilot, and Strategic Projects

BC PNP Skills Immigration & Express Entry BC

Skills Immigration

Registration required

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

No registration required

- Healthcare Professional
- **International Post-Graduate**

Express Entry BC

Requires federal Express Entry profile

Registration required

- EEBC – Skilled Worker
- **EEBC – International Graduate**

No registration required

- EEBC – Healthcare Professional
- **EEBC – International Post-Graduate**

SI vs EEBC – What are the differences?

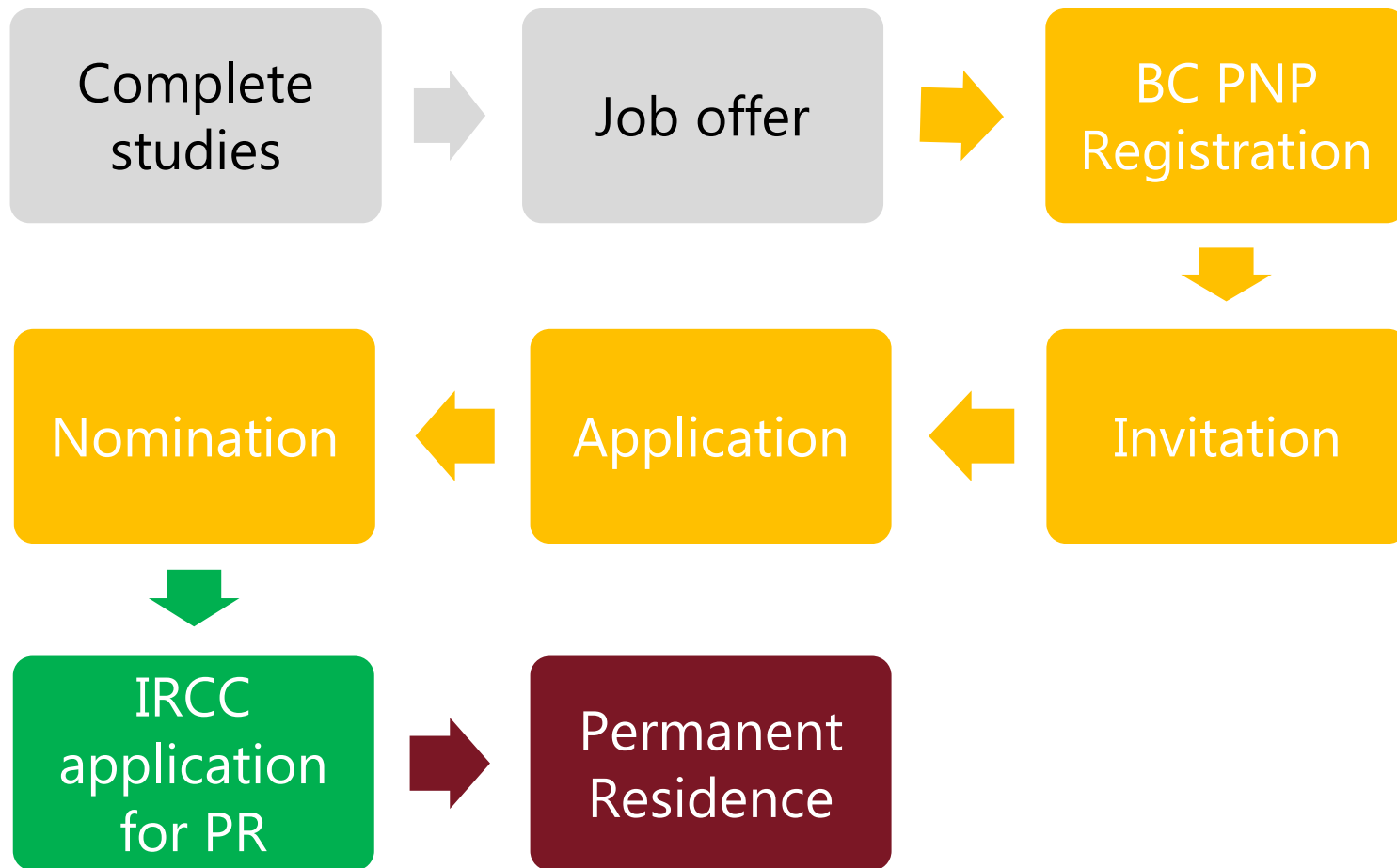
Skills Immigration

- 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

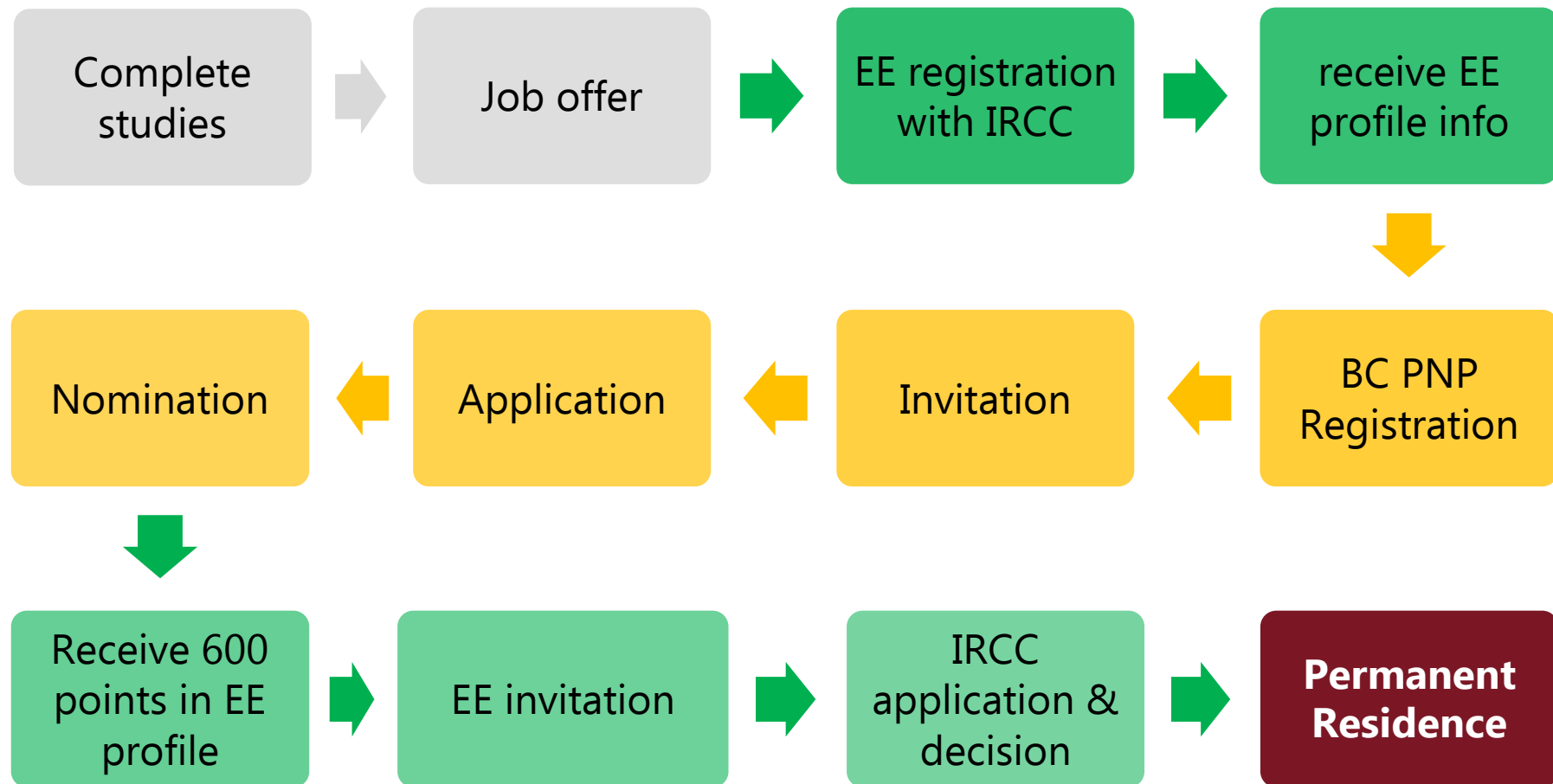
Express Entry BC

- 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

Skills Immigration Stream Process



Express Entry BC Process



Registration Scoring

Economic Factors	120	Human Capital Factors	80
NOC	60	Language	30
Wage	50	Work experience	25
Location	10	Education	25
Additional Points		Additional Points	
NOC 00	15	1 year of directly-related work experience in Canada	10
Top 100 Occupation	10	Post-secondary education in Canada	8
Currently working in offered position	10	ECA or trades certification	4

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

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.

International Graduate Category

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

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

International Graduate EEBC - IG

Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

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- Completed within past 3 years
- Min of 8 months full-time study
- Ability and intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

Health Care Professionals contact Health Match BC

www.healthmatchbc.org

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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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

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

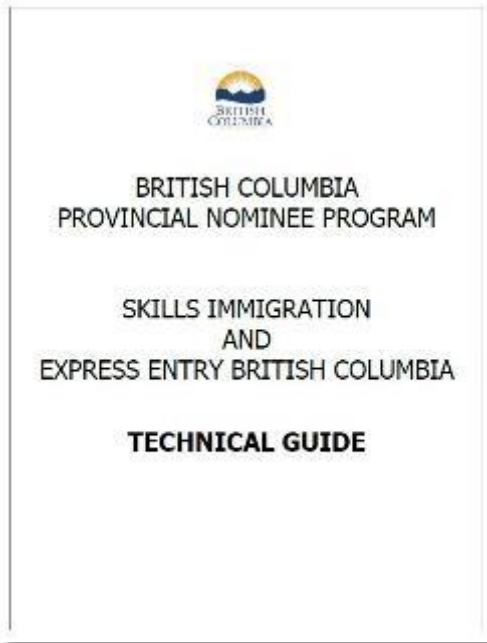
- Increased and focused outreach to tech sector

29 Eligible Occupations

NOC	Job Title	NOC	Job Title
0131	Telecommunication carriers managers	2242	Electronic service technicians (household and business equipment)
0213	Computer and information systems managers	2243	Industrial instrument technicians and mechanics
0512	Managers - publishing, motion pictures, broadcasting and performing arts	2281	Computer network technicians
2131	Civil engineers	2282	User support technicians
2132	Mechanical engineers	2283	Information systems testing technicians
2133	Electrical and electronics engineers	5121	Authors and writers
2134	Chemical engineers	5122	Editors
2147	Computer engineers (except software engineers and designers)	5125	Translators, terminologists and interpreters
2171	Information systems analysts and consultants	5224	Broadcast technicians
2172	Database analysts and data administrators	5225	Audio and video recording technicians
2173	Software engineers and designers	5226	Other technical and co-ordinating occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting and the performing arts
2174	Computer programmers and interactive media developers	5227	Support occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting, photography and the performing arts
2175	Web designers and developers	5241	Graphic designers and illustrators
2221	Biological technologists and technicians	6221	Technical sales specialists - wholesale trade
2241	Electrical and electronics engineering technologists and technicians		

Are you ready to register or apply?

Step 1:



Skills Immigration – International Graduate Category
Current passport photo
Copy of Canadian immigration records
Valid N.C. driver license (if required by the recruitment office)
Copy of biographical page of passport
Current photograph
Copy of LMO (if any) (if applicable)
Copy of valid language test results**
Copy of education and/or training certificates (if applicable)
Official Canadian education transcripts
Copy of educational credential assessment (ECA) (if applicable)
Current resume/CV
Spouse or common-law partner's tax employment record (if applicable)
BCPNP user ID and password (if applicable) (if applicable)

Step 2:



Home Register Sign In

WELCOME TO BC PNP ONLINE

Don't have a profile yet? Register

USER ID

Enter your User ID

Forgot User ID?

PASSWORD

Enter your password

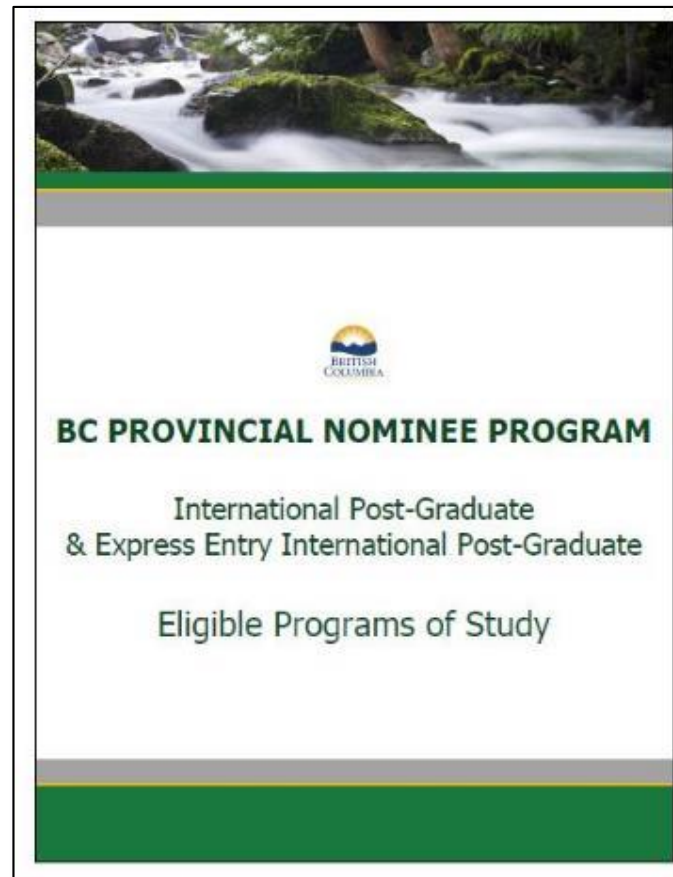
Forgot password?

Your password must contain a minimum of 8 characters. It should include upper and lower case (A to Z; a to z) characters, numerals (0 to 9), and non-alphanumeric keyboard symbols (e.g., ! \$ # %). The password must not contain User ID, First Name or Last Name.

Sign In

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.



Using a Representative

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>); or
- A Canadian Law Society

UNPAID reps can be a family member, friend, NGO/charity and cannot charge fees or receive any other compensation

COVID-19 and BC PNP

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

COVID-19 and BC 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.



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
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Health Care
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Job offer not
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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.



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

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.



Skills Immigration



Job offer required

Skilled Worker

Health Care
Professional

International
Graduate

Entry Level and
Semi-Skilled



Job offer not
required

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Job offer
required

EEBC
Skilled Worker

EEBC
Health Care
Professional

EEBC
International
Graduate



Job offer not
required

EEBC
International
Post-Graduate

NOC 2171- IT Consultants is an eligible occupation for the BC PNP Tech Pilot

Contact Information

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