BC PNP

1. Immigration & Program overview

2. Skills Immigration & Express Entry BC
   • Categories
   • Processes
   • Requirements & Eligibility
   • SIRS & ITAs

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4. Questions

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“Establish B.C. as a preferred location for new and emerging technologies.”

“Grow domestic B.C. tech companies.”

“Remove barriers to attracting and repatriating skilled workers.”
Immigration to B.C. in 2016

38,060 Immigrants

Economic Immigration 53%

- BC Provincial Nominee Program 18%
  - Skilled Workers and Skilled Trades 18%
  - Live In Caregivers 10%
  - Canadian Experience 7%
  - Business 1%

Non-Economic Immigration 47%

- Family Class 34%
- Refugee 12%
- Other Non-Economic *%

Note: as a result of rounding, IRCC data may not sum to the totals indicated

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Immigration Pathways

Permanent

Economic
- Express Entry
  - Federal Skilled Worker / Skilled Trades
  - Canadian Experience Class
- Provincial Nominee

Non-Express Entry
- Business
- Caregivers

Non-Economic
- Family
- Refugee

Temporary

Temporary Foreign Worker
- High Wage
- Low Wage
- Seasonal Agriculture

International Mobility
- International Experience
- Trade Agreements (e.g. NAFTA)
- Intra-Company Transfer

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## BC PNP: Progress and Opportunity

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<td>EI processing time: 36m</td>
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Advantages of the BC PNP

- No LMIA
- Work permit support letters for nominees
- International students who have graduated can apply sooner
- No job offer required for International Post-Graduates
- The only immigration pathway for entry-level & semi-skilled workers
- Client support throughout the process
- Nominees are exempt from 15% foreign buyers’ tax

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BC PNP - Program Streams

Skills Immigration
- Meet B.C.’s economic needs for skilled workers
- Attract and retain workers
- Retain international students in B.C.
- Transfer expertise, skills and knowledge

Express Entry British Columbia
- Target investment-ready entrepreneurs
- Create jobs in B.C.
- Attract and support foreign corporations to establish operations in B.C.

Entrepreneur Immigration

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Skills Immigration & Express Entry BC
Skills Immigration Categories

Skills Immigration

- Job offer required
  - Skilled Worker
  - HealthCare Professional
  - International Graduate
  - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled (includes applications in the Northeast region)

- Job offer not required
  - International Post-Graduate

Express Entry BC

- Job offer required
  - EEBC Skilled Worker
  - EEBC HealthCare Professional
  - EEBC International Graduate

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  - EEBC International Post-Graduate

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SI vs EEBC – what are the differences?

Skills Immigration

• Not required to qualify for Express Entry
• 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

• You 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
  • includes meeting IRCC criteria for 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 Process

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

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Skills Immigration Registration System (SIRS)

Points for:
- ✓ Skill level of job (NOC)
- ✓ Wage level
- ✓ Job in the region
- ✓ Work experience
- ✓ Education
- ✓ Language

Bonus points:
- ✓ BC/CAD education & work experience
- ✓ Priority job

Ranked Applicant Pool

Different points thresholds for different categories
Highest scoring registrants from each category invited to apply

Minimum scores published based on invitations to apply

Lowest scoring applicants not selected are removed from pool after 12 months

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## SIRS – 200 Points total

### Economic Factors

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### Human Capital Factors

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### Bonus Points

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National Occupational Classification (NOC)

The NOC is a system used by the Government of Canada to classify jobs (occupations). Jobs are grouped according to the type of work a person does and the types of job duties.

• Skilled occupations:
  – NOC ‘0’ = Management positions
  – NOC ‘A’ = Occupations requiring a degree or diploma
  – NOC ‘B’ = Occupations requiring technical training

• Entry-level and/or semi-skilled occupations:
  – NOC ‘C’ = Occupations considered semi-skilled
  – NOC ‘D’ = Occupations considered entry-level
General Requirements

- Full-time, indeterminate job offer
- Occupation, qualifications & wage
- Language proficiency
- Minimum income
- Legally able to work in Canada

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EEBC – Key Requirements

✓ Meet BC PNP requirements
✓ Valid and visible Express Entry profile

This means that you have already met the criteria for one of the federal economic immigration programs:
• Federal Skilled Worker
• Canadian Experience Class
• Federal Skilled Trades

In order to have a valid profile, you also need to have provided evidence of:
• mandatory language test
• possible education assessment
• sufficient settlement funds

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International Post-Graduate

**SI STREAM INTERNATIONAL POST-GRADUATE**
- 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

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- Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

- No job offer required

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Is my program eligible for IPG / EEBC - 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:

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<td>computer and information sciences and support services</td>
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Is my program eligible for IPG / EEBC - IPG?

For a full list of programs by institution, please download our IPG & EEBC IPG Eligible Programs of Study document from the website.

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Employer Requirements

✓ Minimum 1 year in business (2 years if ELSS)
✓ Has 5 employees (3 if outside Greater Vancouver)
✓ History of good workplace and business practices
✓ Offered permanent full-time job
✓ Satisfies recruitment requirements
✓ A job offer for a full-time, indeterminate position with a market wage rate

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International Graduate

**SI STREAM INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE**
- 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 will require valid English language test scores

**EEBC STREAM INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE**
- 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 O, A or B job only

**Accept into IRCC Express Entry pool**

**EMPLOYER**
- Good financial standing
- Established for 1 year
- Min. 5 full-time equivalent staff (3 if outside Metro Vancouver)
- Full-time indeterminate offer
- Market rate wages

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Skilled Worker

**SI STREAM**

- Min. 2 years related experience
- Requisite education for job
- B.C. certification (if required)
- Legally able to work in B.C.
- Establish economically
- NOC B applications will require valid English language test scores

* Health Care Professionals contact Health Match BC
  [www.healthmatchbc.org](http://www.healthmatchbc.org)

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### EMPLOYER

- Good financial standing
- Established for 1 year
- Min. 5 full-time equivalent staff (3 if outside Metro Vancouver)
- Efforts to recruit locally
- Full-time indeterminate offer
- Market rate wages

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Entry Level and Semi-Skilled

**EMPLOYER**

- Good financial standing
- **Established for 2 years**
- Min. 5 full-time equivalent staff (3 if outside Metro Vancouver)
- Full-time indeterminate offer
- Market rate wages
- NOC C & D in Hospitality, Tourism, Food Processing, Long Haul Truck Driving only

**EMPLOYEE**

- **9 months consecutive full-time work** with employer prior to submission of registration
- Continuous employment during process
- English Language ability (IELTS or CELPIP - CLB 4)
- Maintain immigration status
- Establish economically

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## Minimum Income Requirements: Ability to Establish Economically

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<td>$52,625</td>
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<td>7 or more</td>
<td>$58,591</td>
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The income thresholds in this table represent 90% of an amount calculated from the appropriate 2015 Low Income Cut-Off (LICO) figures set by Statistics Canada.

Note: Categories under the Express Entry British Columbia stream may also need to meet minimum settlement fund requirements under CIC’s Express Entry system.

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Invitation Trends: 2017 ITA’s Issued

All SI & EEBC Categories

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BC PNP Tech Pilot: Supporting B.C.’s technology sector
BC PNP Tech Pilot: Goals and Objectives

Increase the number of tech workers in B.C.

Support the growth of B.C. tech companies

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### BC PNP Tech Pilot: 4 Pillars

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BC PNP Tech Pilot:
Weekly Draws/Priority Processing

- Weekly invitations
  - 30 days to apply

- Priority processing
  - Assigned in 24 hours

- BC PNP tech team
  - Decision in 2-4 weeks

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Am I eligible?
Scenario A

I finished my accounting diploma at UBC last year.
I have a NOC O, A or B job. I have 2 years of related work experience from my home country. I am in the Express Entry pool.
Skills Immigration

- Job offer required
  - Skilled Workers
  - International Graduates
    - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled (includes applications in the Northeast region)

Express Entry BC

- Job offer not required
  - International Post-graduates
  - EEBC Skilled Workers
  - EEBC International Graduates

- Job offer required
  - International Post-graduates

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Scenario B

I finished my Master’s of Business Administration from UBC 4 years ago.
I have a NOC O, A or B job. I am not in the Express Entry pool.
Skills Immigration

- Skilled Workers
  - Job offer required
  - International Graduates
    - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled
      (includes applications in the Northeast region)

- International Post-graduates

Express Entry BC

- EEBC Skilled Workers
  - Job offer required

- EEBC International Graduates
  - Job offer not required

- International Post-graduates
  - Job offer not required

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Where to find more information

www.WelcomeBC.ca/PNP

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Ready to register or apply?

Step 1:

Step 2:

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Ministry of Jobs, Trade and Technology

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