BC Provincial Nominee Program

Immigration Pathways for International Students

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Agenda

1. Immigration & program overview
2. Positioning the BC PNP for growth
3. Skills Immigration
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   • Requirements
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B.C.’s Immigration Priorities

Immigration to B.C.
Immigration critical to meet labour market demand and fill projected job openings

BC Provincial Nominee Program
Efficient and responsive programming to support employer and industry needs

Opportunities for Growth
Steps to enhance program integrity and build more capacity to attract skilled applicants

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### Immigration to B.C. in 2015

**Total Immigrants:** 35,730

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**Economic Immigration:**
- Provincial Nominee Program: 19%
- Skilled Workers and Skilled Trades: 19%
- Live In Caregivers: 16%
- Canadian Experience: 8%
- Business: 1%

**Non-Economic Immigration:**
- Family Class: 31%
- Refugee: 6%
- Other Non-Economic: *%
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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Positioning the BC PNP for growth
Positioning the BC PNP for growth

Overall immigration growth planning

Responsive to sector-based skills shortages

Fill skills gaps not addressed by Express Entry

Address labour market challenges

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Program Streams
(as of January 2016)

Skills Immigration (SI)
includes Express Entry British Columbia (EEBC)

Entrepreneur Immigration (EI)
includes Strategic Investment Projects
Skills Immigration
Skills Immigration Process

1. Registration
2. Invitation
3. Application
4. Decision
5. Permanent Residence

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Skills Immigration Categories

Skills Immigration

- Job offer required
  - Skilled Workers
  - International Graduates
- Job offer not required
  - Entry Level and Semi-Skilled (includes applications in the Northeast region)

Express Entry BC

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

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General Requirements

Job

- Occupation
- Qualifications
- Wage

- Language
- Minimum income
- Legally able to work in Canada

Economic benefit to B.C.

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### Employer Requirements

**Job offer**

- 1 yr in business (2 yrs if ELSS)
- Has 5 employees (3 if outside Metro Vancouver)
- Uses good business practices

- Offered permanent full-time job
- Satisfies recruitment requirements
- Pays market wage

**Economic benefit to B.C.**

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EEBC - Key Requirements

EEBC applicants must meet BC PNP program requirements

AND

Meet the criteria for at least one of the federal economic immigration programs
(Federal Skilled Worker, Canadian Experience Class, Federal Skilled Trades)

Mandatory language test

May need to have education assessed against Canadian standards

Sufficient settlement funds

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International Graduate

**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

**SI STREAM INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE**
- Degree/Diploma/Certificate in an eligible program in Canada within 2 years
- Completed at an eligible institution in Canada
- 8 months full-time study
- Intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically
- NOC B, C & D applications will require valid English language test scores
- NOC C & D jobs eligible with progression plan

**EEBC STREAM INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE**
- Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool
  - Degree/Diploma/Certificate in an eligible program in Canada
  - Completed at an eligible institution in Canada
  - 8 months full-time study
  - Intent to reside in B.C.
  - Establish economically
  - NOC O, A or B job only

**Joint Application**

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International Post-Graduate

EMPLOYER

- No job offer required

SI STREAM INTERNATIONAL POST-GRADUATE

- Completed requirements for a Master’s or PhD at an eligible B.C. institution within 2 years
- Eligible studies limited to Natural and Applied Sciences
- Intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

EEBC STREAM INTERNATIONAL POST-GRADUATE

- Completed requirements for a Master’s or PhD at an eligible BC institution
- Eligible studies limited to Natural and Applied Sciences
- Intent to reside in B.C.
- Establish economically

Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

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Skilled Worker

**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

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

* Health Care Professional contact Health Match BC
  www.healthmatchbc.org

**EEBC STREAM SKILLED WORKER**
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- Establish economically

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**Joint Application**

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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 work with employer prior to submission of application
- Continuous employment during process
- English Language ability (IELTS or CELPIP - CLB 4)
- Maintain immigration status
- Establish economically

**Joint Application**

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## Minimum Income Requirements

### Ability to Establish Economically

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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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BC PNP: Skills Immigration Registration System

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 Registration Points System

200 points total

**Economic Factors**
- NOC - 60 pts
- Wage - 50 pts
- Regional - 10 pts

**Human Capital Factors**
- Work experience - 25 pts
- Education - 25 pts
- Language - 30 pts

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Am I eligible?
Scenario A

I finished my diploma / degree 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.
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Scenario B

I finished my Bachelor of Business Administration from UBC last year. I have a NOC C job. I plan to live and work in B.C. I am not in the Express Entry pool.
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  - Skilled Workers
  - International Graduates
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Express Entry BC

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- Job offer not required
  - International Post-graduates

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Scenario C

I finished my Master of Engineering (M.Eng) at UBC last year. I don’t have a job. I plan to live and work in B.C. 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

- Job offer required
  - EEBC Skilled Workers
  - EEBC International Graduates

- Job offer not required
  - International Post-graduates
Scenario D

I finished my MBA from UBC 3 years ago. I have a NOC O, A or B job. I am not 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)

Job offer not required
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Questions?
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