

# Work Permit Holder Studying in Canada Without a Study Permit

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Immigration Refugee and Citizenship Canada introduced a new [temporary public policy](#) that began as of Jun 27, 2023 which allows certain eligible foreign workers, on valid work permits, to study without a study permit.

## **What does this new Temporary Public Policy mean?**

Workers that qualify for the temporary public policy are able to study in part-time or full-time classes, until the expiration of the public policy, without a study permit

Workers must have a valid work permit or submitted an extension of a work permit, and be authorized to work before June 7, 2023.

## **Am I eligible for this temporary policy and will I be able to study at Langara College?**

You may be eligible to study without a study permit while you work. To be eligible, you must be authorized to work in Canada with either of the following:

- A valid work permit that was issued **on or before** June 7, 2023, or
- A [letter authorizing work](#) while IRCC process the work permit extension application
  - The letter must have been issued **on or before** June 7, 2023.

If you applied for a work permit **after** June 7, 2023, you are **not eligible** under this public policy.

## **When does the temporary policy expire?**

The temporary policy is valid until the earliest of the 2 following dates:

- The expiry date on your work permit or
- June 27, 2026 (the date the public policy expires)

\*After this date, you must hold a valid study permit to continue studying

## **What if my work permit application is in progress on June 7, 2023?**

If your work authorization was not issued or you were not authorized to work on or before June 7, 2023 you are not eligible under this policy.

Must apply for a study permit if:

- Your program extends beyond the validity of your work permit or the June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 deadline
- Your work permit extension application is refused

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**Are there any restrictions with the types of program I can study with my work permit at Langara College?**

No, there are no restrictions with the programs that an applicant can study. As long as entrance requirements are met and seats are available applicants are eligible to study in any program that is offered at Langara College part time or full time.

**Am I eligible to receive a Post Grad Work Permit (PGWP) if I start my studies without a study permit?**

Applicants can only receive a PGWP one time in their lifetime. However, if an applicant has never applied for a PGWP they might be eligible for the PGWP if they meet the eligibility requirements. Please visit the IRCC webpage for [PGWP Eligibility](#).

**I am a work permit holder and was admitted to Langara College do I still need to submit a study permit approval letter or study permit to start in September 2023?**

If the applicant received a work permit approval on or before June 7, 2023 then you are able to study at Langara College under the new temporary policy and without applying for a study permit.

\*if interested in PGWP eligibility please make sure that you check the requirements on the IRCC website

**Am I eligible to pay domestic fees if I am a student that has a valid work permit?**

No, you are still considered an international student therefore, international fees apply.