BC PNP – A Provincial Immigration Pathway for Permanent Residency

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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
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Program Streams:
Skills Immigration
Entrepreneur Immigration
  • Includes Base Category, Regional Pilot, and Strategic Projects
### Skills Immigration

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

### Express Entry BC

Requires federal Express Entry profile

- EEBC – Skilled Worker
- EEBC – International Graduate
- EEBC – Healthcare Professional
- EEBC – International Post-Graduate

**Registration required**

- Healthcare Professional
- International Post-Graduate

**No registration required**

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

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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

Base Process

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

Express Entry BC Process

Complete studies → Job offer → EE registration with IRCC → Receive EE profile info → BC PNP Registration → Invitation → Application → Nomination → Receive 600 points in EE profile → EE invitation → IRCC application & decision → Permanent Residence

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## Registration Scoring

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<td>NOC 00</td>
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<td>1 year of directly-related work experience in Canada</td>
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<td>Post-secondary education in Canada</td>
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<td>ECA or trades certification</td>
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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

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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.
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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Employer

- Good financial standing
- Well-established for 2 years
- Sufficient staff
- Full-time, indeterminate job offer
- Market rate wages
- Eligible occupation in Hospitality, Tourism, Food Processing, Long Haul Truck Driving only

 Applicant

- 9 months consecutive full-time work with employer prior to submission of registration
- Continuous employment during process
- Minimum language requirements (CLB 4)
- Maintain immigration status
- Establish economically

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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

OR

Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

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

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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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<td>Health professions and related programs</td>
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<td>Mathematics and statistics</td>
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<td>Natural resources conservation</td>
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<td>Physical sciences</td>
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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

• 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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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>Electronic service technicians (household and business equipment)</td>
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<td>Computer and information systems managers</td>
<td>2243</td>
<td>Industrial instrument technicians and mechanics</td>
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<td>0512</td>
<td>Managers - publishing, motion pictures, broadcasting and performing arts</td>
<td>2281</td>
<td>Computer network technicians</td>
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<td>2131</td>
<td>Civil engineers</td>
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<td>User support technicians</td>
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<td>Mechanical engineers</td>
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<td>Information systems testing technicians</td>
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<td>2133</td>
<td>Electrical and electronics engineers</td>
<td>5121</td>
<td>Authors and writers</td>
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<td>Chemical engineers</td>
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<td>2147</td>
<td>Computer engineers (except software engineers and designers)</td>
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<td>Translators, terminologists and interpreters</td>
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<td>Information systems analysts and consultants</td>
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<td>Broadcast technicians</td>
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<td>Database analysts and data administrators</td>
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<td>Software engineers and designers</td>
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<td>Other technical and co-ordinating occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting and the performing arts</td>
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<td>Computer programmers and interactive media developers</td>
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<td>Biological technologists and technicians</td>
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Using a Representative

Applicants 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 adjustments)
- BC PNP staff are working remotely, processing applications and responding to inquiries via email / phone
- 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:

- 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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