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Good day,
[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox.**
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Please see our response to your question.
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Students who have changed DLIs and have applied for a new study permit extension (after Nov 8, 2024) must wait to receive their new study permit to start their studies at the new DLI even if there was no DLI name on their previous study permit.

However, a policy clarification was issued for students who were accepted to a new DLI for the Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1, 2025 to May 1, 2025)

You can start studying at your new DLI if you:
- have been accepted to a DLI for the Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1, 2025 to May 1, 2025), and
- have applied for a study permit extension, and
- have a study permit that remains valid and that doesn't have the DLI name printed on it, and
- meet all your existing study permit conditions

If a student meets these criteria, they can attend the new DLI to while your study permit extension is being processed.
Please visit the IRCC website for further details.

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. I would appreciate your guidance in the following:

Sections 217.1 and 189.1 of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations (IRPR)

- * Under 217.1, if a student in Canada has a study permit that **names a specific Designated Learning Institution (DLI)** and they are accepted for a program at a different DLI, they must apply for a new study permit.
- * Under 189.1, a student who has applied for a new study permit under section 217.1 is allowed to study at the new institution while waiting for a decision *only if they meet certain conditions* (remained in Canada, following permit conditions, and **DLI named in previous study permit** faces issues such as institution closed, suspended, discontinued program or lost DLI status).

My understanding is that when a study permit does **not** name a DLI (such as those issued before November 1, 2024), sections 217.1 and 189.1 of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations (IRPR) would **not** apply. Could you please confirm if this interpretation is correct?

Thank you in advance for your assistance.