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Good day,

[redacted]

As a reminder, authorized representatives from DLIs should send their enquiries to the Immigration Representative mailbox at [redacted]

Question:

The IRCC policy states that students accepted for the **Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1 to May 1, 2025)** may begin studying at their new DLI while their study permit extension is being processed, provided they meet all conditions.
Our Question:
Given that our **Spring term** begins on **April 28, 2025** (before May 1, 2025) but continues until July 31, 2025:

1. 1. Does the grace period apply to students accepted for **both** our Winter term (January start) **and** Spring term (April 28 start)?
2. 2. Is the policy's reference to the **January 1 – May 1, 2025** timeframe based on the **start date** of the term, regardless of its end date?

Answer:

1. 1. Yes, the grace period applies to students who have been accepted at a new DLI for Winter or Spring terms and are beginning their studies between January 1 to May 1, 2025.
2. 2. Yes, the timeframe is based on the start date of the term, regardless of its end date.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 10, 2025 7:31 PM
To: IIR FMRI [redacted] FMRI [redacted]
Subject: Clarification Request on Study Permit Grace Period for Winter and Spring 2025 Semesters

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[redacted] International [redacted] Immigration Advisor [redacted]

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I am writing to seek clarification regarding the grace period policy for study permit extensions when transferring between Designated Learning Institutions (DLIs), as outlined on the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) webpage: *Change Schools*.

Our institution's academic calendar below for 2025:

- * **Winter Term:** January 6, 2025 – April 17, 2025
- * **Spring Term:** April 28, 2025 – July 8, 2025

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Our Question:
Given that our **Spring term** begins on **April 28, 2025** (before May 1, 2025) but continues until July 31, 2025:

3. 3. Does the grace period apply to students accepted for **both** our Winter term (January start) **and** Spring term (April 28 start)?
4. 4. Is the policy's reference to the **January 1 – May 1, 2025** timeframe based on the **start date** of the term, regardless of its end date?

We ask for confirmation to ensure compliance and clarity for our international students transferring to our institution for these terms.

Best regards