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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Fri, 21 Mar 2025 18:08:52
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: TR: PGWP eligibility - Field of study requirement - REP-A-2025-0720 -Due 14-Apr-25
Importance: Normal
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Good day,

[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox**

Please note that this mailbox is intended for general guidance and does not provide responses to case-specific inquiries but have provided the following information as guidance.. If you have case specific questions about a file, you are encouraged to submit the IRCC Web form.

Please see our response to your question:

QUESTION:
I am reaching out to your office to inquire to seek clarification if the field of study requirement applies to foreign nationals who submitted their study permit extension applications in Canada prior to November 1, 2024 if they are starting a new program of study in Winter 2025 AND they completed their first program of study in Canada in 2024?

In the PGWP PDI, it is mentioned that *"**Exemption note:** For study permit extension applications used to complete the same program of study as the study permit application made before November 1, 2024, there is no field-of-study requirement for the PGWP."*

As the text in the PGWP PDI implies that only study permit extension applications used to complete the same program as the application made prior to November 1, 2024 will be exempt from the field of study requirement, we are seeking this clarification as this impacts a wide group of students.

RESPONSE:
If a student submitted their **study permit** application on or after November 1, 2024, they must have graduated in an eligible field of study.

If a student submitted their **study permit** application before November 1, 2024, they **don't** need to meet the field of study requirements.

We hope this information is of assistance.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 3, 2025 2:56 PM
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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well.

My name is . I am a Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant (RCIC) and my regulatory ID is [redacted] a Team [redacted]

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If you require any further from my end, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,