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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Mon, 24 Mar 2025 19:00:00
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: TR: BC Law Society Bar Exam Course- prohibited while on a TRV Visitor Visa and Expired PGWP - REP-2025-0599 - Due 19-03-2025
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

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 received:

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Can an TRV on a visitor record attend the BC PLTC bar exam course (3 month training course required for licensing as a lawyer in BC) while on a visitor visa? The applicant has an expired PGWP but a valid TRV.

The BC PLTC bar exam course is not a DLI. It is the licensing agency for lawyers in BC and the bar exam course is required to become licensed. There is no ability to get a study permit.

The BC PLTC courses is full time for 3 months.

Approved response:

The condition "Unless authorized, prohibited from attending any educational institution, or taking any academic, professional or vocational training course" is intended to indicate that a VR does not authorize the holder to study in Canada.

However, as per R188(1)(c), those who are taking a course that is less than 6 months in length do not require authorization (ie. a study permit) to study, and are free to pursue their course/training as long as they hold valid visitor status.

We trust that this information will assist you.

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From:
Sent: [redacted] 19, 2025 3:45 PM
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Subject: URGENT - BC Law Society Bar Exam Course- prohibited while on a TRV Visitor Visa and Expired PGWP

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