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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.
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According to the information provide, the foreign nationals would not be on their **initial period of authorized stay**. The Foreign National is a holder of a PGWP.

Short-term courses [R188(1)(c)] - Foreign nationals may enter Canada or remain in Canada without a study permit to attend a course or program of study of 6 months' duration or less [R188(1)(c)]. This exemption helps to facilitate access to short-term courses, regardless of their subject matter. The course or program of study may be part-time or full-time and **should be completed within the period authorized upon entry** (that is, up to 6 months).

It is possible the applicant may benefit from the following Public Policy - Temporary public policy to allow foreign nationals with valid work permits to study without a study permit - Canada.ca

We hope that this information is helpful to you.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

De :
Envoyé : 12 mars 2025 23:52
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Objet : 2025-08 - Period for their stay authorized upon entry into Canada

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Reference:
188 (1) A foreign national may study in Canada without a study permit
(c) if the duration of their course or program of studies is six months or less and will be completed within the period for their stay authorized upon entry into Canada;

Question:
If a foreign national on a PGWP valid for 2.5 years, leaves Canada and renters from a trip to another country.

1. Will the foreign national's new period of authorized stay upon entry into Canada be 2.5 years which is till the end of their Valid PGWP?

2. Can the foreign national being on a valid PGWP, now legally study a program of up to 6 months length without requiring a study permit?

Regards