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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.
***
IRCC is working on updating the program delivery instructions, they take longer to update. The information on our webpage is the most up to date information. Work in Canada after you graduate: Who can apply - Canada.ca

We hope you find this information helpful.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

De :
Envoye : 13 mars 2025 15:41
À : Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigration.IRCC[redacted]
Objet : Seeking clarification on PGWP- field of study requirement

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Hi IRCC team,

Could you please confirm which description is accurate regarding the field of study requirement?

This screenshot is taken from Work in Canada after you graduate: Who can apply - Canada.ca. The description tells students their eligibility for the exemption is based on when they started their program (this information completely contradicts what IRCC officially confirmed earlier).

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Eligibility requirements based on study program

▸ If you graduated with a bachelor's degree, master's degree or doctoral degree

▸ If you graduated from any other university program

▾ If you graduated from any other college, polytechnic or non-university program

Language requirement:

You must prove your English or French language skills with a minimum level of Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB) 5 in English or Niveaux de competence linguistique canadiens (NCLC) 5 in French in all 4 language areas.

Find out what your language level is based on your language test results.

▸ If you submitted your PGWP application before November 1, 2024

Field of study requirement:

If you graduated from a program that you started on or after November 1, 2024, you must have graduated in an eligible field of study.

▸ If you graduated from a program that you started before November 1, 2024

▸ If you graduated from a flight school

The screenshot below is taken from: Post-graduation work permit (PGWP) [R205(c) - C43] – International Mobility Program - Canada.ca. The instructions here tell officers and students that students' eligibility for exemption is based on when they applied for their initial study permit.

Field-of-study requirement

For PGWP applicants who submitted their initial study permit applications on or after November 1, 2024, the applicants must have completed one of the following eligible programs:

- university bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree program from a university in any field of study
- college program or any other university program such as those resulting in a diploma or certificate, in an eligible field of study

Officers must consult the eligible field-of-study list to determine eligibility.

If at the time of submission of the study permit application, the applicant was enrolled in an eligible field of study that changed at the time of the PGWP application, they remain eligible for the PGWP.

Thank you in advance for your confirmation.

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Regards,