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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Wed, 26 Mar 2025 17:53:30
To: [redacted]
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: TR: Question on new Study Permit Conditions from S705338 - REP-2025-0181- Due 02-Feb-25
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 in red:

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However, a student that is no longer enrolled and does not have a DLI-authorized leave will need to leave Canada, or change their status as they are no longer actively studying, therefore no longer abiding to their study permit conditions.

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- * medical reasons or pregnancy
- * family emergency
- * death or serious illness of a family member
- * any other type of leave your school authorizes
- * your school has closed permanently or because of a strike
- * you've changed schools
- * you or your school deferred your program start date
  - * In this case, you must start your studies the next semester, even if it starts sooner than 150 days, and get an

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updated letter of acceptance.
It is at the DLI's discretion to authorize a leave of studies.

4. 4. Considering the lengthy SP processing time does or will IRCC provide another option for students in joint degree programs with another DLI?

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

De :
Envoyé : 17 janvier 2025 12:53
[redacted]: Immigration Representatives [redacted] Représentants immigration [redacted]
Representantsimmigration.[redacted]
Cc :
Objet : Question on new Study Permit Conditions from

Hello, I have a question about the need for a student to apply for a new Study Permit if IRCC marks their current SP "invalid"

In November in the Gazette we find the following text:

Consequences for not complying with the conditions

The regulations amend existing conditions to specify that study permit holders must enroll at the DLI listed on their study permit and remain enrolled until they complete their studies. The study permit invalidity provisions are ***also amended to add that the day when the permit holder is no longer enrolled at the DLI named on the permit, is the date when the permit may become invalid.***

https://canadagazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2024/2024-11-20/html/sor-dors219-eng.html

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