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Good day,
[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox.**
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Please see our response to your question.
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RESPONSE 1:
There is a box titled "Permit validity" on the Port of Entry (POE) Letter, letter of introduction. The foreign national must come to Canada prior to that date. If the validity date has passed and they have not yet come to Canada, they must submit a new application. They cannot extend the validity date on their POE Letter.

RESPONSE 2:
The foreign national should get their deferral approved by Designated Learning Institution (DLI) and obtain an updated letter of acceptance LOA reflecting the new start date, and submit this updated letter to IRCC through their online account or our web form.

RESPONSE 3:
A Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL) must be valid at the time of application submission, not necessarily when the program starts, and it must be from the province where the Designated Learning Institution (DLI) is located.

For more detailed information, you can refer to the following IRCC pages:

- * Study Permits: Assessing study permit conditions - Canada.ca
- * Study permit: After you apply - Canada.ca
- * Study permit: Get the right documents Provincial attestation letter or territorial attestation letter - Canada.ca

We trust that this information will assist you.
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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

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Envoyé : 14 mars 2025 16:44
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Hello,

My client applied for a study permit for a program starting in March 2025. He was approved and received a visa and letter of introduction which are both valid until August 29, 2027.

Due to a family emergency, the student deferred enrollment to next year's intake in March 2026. His letter of introduction will still be valid at that point.

Questions:

1. Would he be able to use the same letter of introduction to obtain a study permit in March 2026?

2. Does he need to take any special steps? He has used the web form to inform the IRCC of the deferral.

3. Would he need a PAL or can he skip that process since he already has a letter of introduction?

[redacted] your guidance.

Best Regards,