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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Wed, 2 Apr 2025 13:58:38
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: Express Entry - claiming points for Canadian Work Experience - REP-2025-0535 - Due 14-03-2025
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

Good day,

[redacted] **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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The candidate would be eligible for points for their Canadian work experience. Canadian work experience gained while on a valid work permit may count towards the work experience requirement under the Canadian Experience [redacted] learning that does not require an in-Canada portion of the course/program is not considered study for the purposes of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA). If these conditions are met, studies in a distance learning format would not impair the validity of Canadian work experience gained while on a valid work permit.

Please be advised that the assessment of an application is based on a case-by-case basis; each application will be considered on its own merits, with a final decision based on a review of all the information available to the officer at the time of decision. The onus is always on the applicant to provide sufficient documentation to satisfy an officer that they meet the requirements.

We trust that this information will assist you.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

> **From:**
> **Sent:** Thursday, February 13, 2025 7:45 PM
> **To:** Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigratio[redacted]ic[redacted]
> **Subject:** Express Entry - claiming points for Canadian Work Experience
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> Hello,
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> My question is regarding claiming points for Canadian work experience under Canadian Experience Class for a

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candidate who is on an IEC work permit issued to them in July 2024 under the Young professionals.

Previously, they were in Canada on another IEC Work permit under the Working Holiday program, starting July 2022. The case scenario is that while the candidate was on their Working Holiday program, they were also completing their program of education - Bachelor's degree - remotely from their home country, that they completed in March 2024.

Can this candidate claim Canadian Work Experience while they were completing their degree simultaneously from their home country remotely from the period of July 2022 to March 2024?

Looking forward to your response.

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