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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Wed, 2 Apr 2025 20:07:22
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: valid LOI/no [redacted]- REP-A-2025-0759 -Due 8-Apr-25
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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According to IRCC guidelines, the PAL requirement applies to study permit applications submitted after January 22, 2024. Therefore, students with valid Letters of Introduction (LOIs) from applications submitted before this date are exempt from the PAL requirement and should not face issues when crossing the border.

For more detailed information, please refer to the following IRCC webpages: Study permits: Provincial or territorial attestation letters - Canada.ca

We trust that this information will assist you.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 25, 2025 2:27 PM
To: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigration.IRCC@cic.gc.ca>
Subject: valid LOI/no PAL/graduate-level students

Good Day,

I hope my email finds you well.

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am leading a team of International Immigration Student Advisers

We recently came across a different from ours, advising practice where graduate -level students with a valid LOI (applied late 2024,before PAL was part of requirements for SP application) are advised to submit a new SP application (with PAL) just to ensure students don't face any issues from Border Officers re lack of PAL with the original LOI.

Could you please confirm that graduate-level students with valid LOI and no PAL (as per previous SP application requirements) should not face any issues when crossing the border.

Thank you,