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Subject: FW: Accelerated Studies - REP-2025-0457 - Due 11-Mar-25
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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.

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QUESTION: If a student transferred credits from a foreign university/college towards program completion in Canada, does it fall under the definition of accelerated studies?

\sb280RESPONSE: As per the section on "Transfers between educational institutions" of the PGWP PDI, in cases where a student graduated from an eligible DLI after having transferred from an ineligible institution (including foreign universities/colleges), only time spent at the eligible DLI counts towards the length of the PGWP. As well, the student must have spent at least 8 months at the eligible DLI.

QUESTION: If a student transferred credits from another Canadian DLI towards program completion, does it fall under the definition of accelerated studies? If a student transferred credits from the same DLI, but from a different program (program A) to complete program B, does the shorter duration of program B fall under the definition of accelerated studies?

RESPONSE: Under the same section of the PGWP PDI referenced above, please see Example 3: Transferring between eligible DLIs, which states:

> [redacted] credits earned from a previous program at the same eligible DLI). A student who has changed DLIs will need to apply for a new study permit. The student may submit a letter of acceptance indicating that the credits earned in the first program have been accepted toward completing the subsequent program. The officer should consider all credits from both programs that contribute toward completing the subsequent program in determining PGWP eligibility and length. **A PGWP is issued based on the completed duration of the program.**

We hope this information is of assistance.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 10, 2025 11:28 AM
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Representantsimmigration.IRCC@cic.gc.ca>
Subject: Accelerated Studies

Hello,

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I hope my message finds you well.

Could you please help me understand the accelerated studies section in the C43 manual?

This section includes the following note:

> **Important:** If the officer notes that the duration of studies was shorter than the duration of the program, as indicated in the letter confirming the completion of the program of study, and the program was not completed in an accelerated form, the PGWP may be issued according to the duration of studies. For example, if the applicant took classes for a period of 12 months, not in an accelerated form, but their classes were part of a 2-year program, the PGWP may be issued for 12 months, according to the duration of their studies.

Questions:

- If a student transferred credits from a foreign university/college towards program completion in Canada, does it fall under the definition of accelerated studies?
- If a student transferred credits from another Canadian DLI towards program completion, does it fall under the definition of accelerated studies?
- If a student transferred credits from the same DLI, but from a different program (program A) to complete program B, does the shorter duration of program B fall under the definition of accelerated studies?

[redacted] to your reply.

Have a great day.

Best regards,