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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Tue, 8 Apr 2025 13:32:37
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: Question about PGWP - REP-B-2025-0183 - Due 28-Apr-25
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

Good Day,

[redacted] to [redacted] and Citizenship Canada's Immigration Representatives Mailbox.
We recently updated our webpage to clarify these scenarios.

If a foreign national submitted their application before November 1, 2024, they may change their program, the field of study is not required. If the foreign national requires an extension for a program they changed prior to November 1, 2024, the field of study is not required. IRCC recommends that the foreign national submit proof of the change of program with their application. The onus is on the applicant to satisfied the officer that they meet all eligibility requirements.

For more information, please see: Work in Canada after you graduate: Who can apply - Canada.ca

We hope you find this information helpful.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From
Sent: [redacted] 24, 2025 10:24 AM
To: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-[redacted]
Subject: Question about PGWP

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Good morning, [redacted]

I hope you're doing well today and feeling rested after a good weekend. I have an important issue that I need some guidance with, please.

My question concerns the PGWP validity for an international student who will complete **two** 12-month graduate certificates (the second being completed within 2 years of the first). The second program (public relations and corporate communications) is **not** aligned with the FoS requirement.

Since the student obtained her study permit for the first program **before** November 2024, and will extend her

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permit with the new program, is her PGWP eligibility for the second program affected? Is this student "insulated" from the changes by virtue of having her initial permit approved before the November changes were announced?

Thank you.