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From: [redacted] Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Fri, 11 Apr 2025 20:25:35
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: Seeking clarification regarding IRCC's Change Your School or Program policy - REP-B-2025-0322 - Due 9-May-25
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

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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As you have indicated, the new policy clarification applies to students who meet the conditions below:

If you were accepted to a new DLI for the Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1, 2025 to May 1, 2025)

You can start studying at your new DLI if you:

- have been accepted to a DLI for the Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1, 2025 to May 1, 2025), and
- have applied for a study permit extension, and
- have a study permit that remains valid and that doesn't have the DLI name printed on it, and
- meet all your existing study permit conditions

Therefore, students who are scheduled to start their studies after May 1, 2025 (i.e. May 02, 2025 and onwards) may not begin their studies and must wait until they receive their new study extensions.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 8, 2025 12:06 PM
To: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigration.[redacted] Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
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Subject: Seeking clarification regarding IRCC's Change Your School or Program policy

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We seek clarification regarding IRCC's Change Your School or Program policy: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/change-schools.html. Specifically, we refer to the following segment of the current

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policy, which states:

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- have applied for a study permit extension, and
- have a study permit that remains valid and that doesn't have the DLI name printed on it, and
- meet all your existing study permit conditions

If you meet these criteria, you can attend the new Designated Learning Institution while your study permit extension is being processed.



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You can start studying at your new DLI if you

- have been accepted to a DLI for the Winter or Spring 2025 semester (starting from January 1, 2025 to May 1, 2025), and
- have applied for a study permit extension, and
- have a study permit that remains valid and that doesn't have the DLI name printed on it, and
- meet all your existing study permit conditions

If you meet these criteria, you can attend the new DLI you wanted to transfer to while your study permit extension is being processed.

We seek clarification on whether this policy applies to students accepted to a new DLI for the Spring 2025 semester, where the start date of the program is after May 1, 2025. Specifically, if a student meets the conditions outlined above, may they begin their studies at the new DLI even if the Spring semester starts after May 1, 2025?

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Best regards,

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