

# BC PROVINCIAL NOMINEE PROGRAM:

## IMMIGRATION TO BC

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# Agenda

1. Immigration & BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) Overview
2. Skills Immigration & Express Entry Streams
3. BC PNP Tech
4. BC PNP Entrepreneur
5. COVID – 19

# Immigration to B.C.

Application to BC PNP

Application for Permanent  
Residence (IRCC)

**Skills Immigration stream**

**Express Entry BC (EEBC) stream**

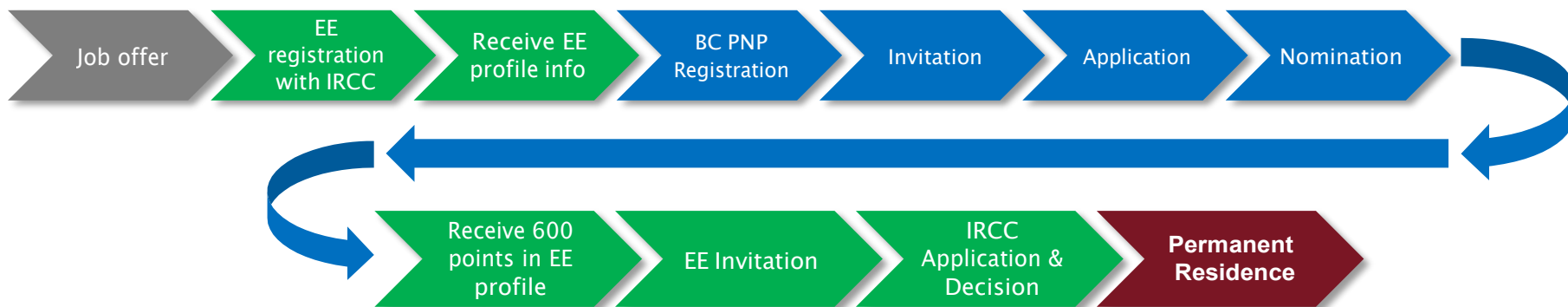
**Entrepreneur Immigration stream**

# Skills Immigration Stream Process

## Skills Immigration Process



## Express Entry BC Process



# BC PNP Skills Immigration & Express Entry BC

## Skills Immigration

### Registration required

- Skilled Worker
- International Graduate
- Entry Level & Semi-Skilled

### No registration required

- Healthcare Professional
- International Post-Graduate

## Express Entry BC

Requires federal Express Entry profile

### Registration required

- EEBC - Skilled Worker
- EEBC - International Graduate

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# SI vs EEBC – What are the differences?

## Skills Immigration

- You do not need to qualify for Express Entry to apply
- You may be able to apply immediately after graduation
- Canadian work experience not necessarily required
- All skill level occupations – NOC 0, A, B, C & D

## Express Entry BC

- Nominees receive 600 points in the federal Express Entry pool
- **BUT**
- You must first qualify for one of the 3 federal immigration programs: FSW, CEC, FST
  - work experience, language, settlement funds
- Skilled occupations: NOC 0/A/B

# General Program Requirements

- Full-time, indeterminate job offer
  - (exceptions: one-year job offer for BC PNP Tech occupations; No job offer required for eligible International Post-Graduates)
- Occupation, qualifications & wage
- Language proficiency
- Minimum income
- Legally able to work in Canada
- Intent to reside in B.C.

\*Additional requirements for EEBC stream

# Employer Requirements

## **Employer Requirements**

- Minimum 1 year in business (2 years if Entry Level / Semi-Skilled)
- Has 5 employees (3 if outside Greater Vancouver)
- History of good workplace and business practices
- Offered permanent full-time job with market wage (1yr for tech)
- Satisfied recruitment requirements

## **Employer Responsibilities**

- Accuracy of employer info sections of the online application
- Notify of changes in the employment status or if the business has closed or changed ownership.



# International Post-Graduate Category

## Employer

- Offer of employment NOT required

## International Post-Graduate SI - IPG

- Completed requirements for a Master's or PhD at an eligible B.C. institution
- Eligible studies limited to specific fields, e.g. natural, applied, or health sciences
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# Eligibility for IPG & EEBC IPG programs

Your graduate degree (masters or doctorate) must be in one of the following programs of study in the natural, applied, or health sciences as defined by Statistics Canada's Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2016:

Agriculture, agriculture operations and related sciences

Biological and biomedical sciences

Computer and information sciences and support services

Engineering

Engineering technology and engineering-related fields

Health professions and related programs

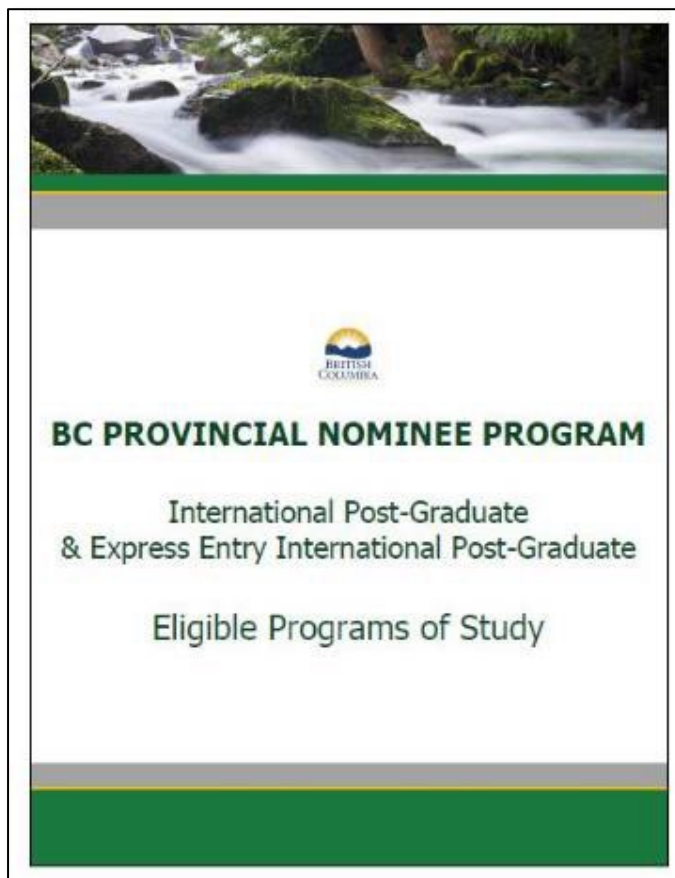
Mathematics and statistics

Natural resources conservation

Physical sciences

# Eligibility for IPG, EEBC & IPG Programs

For a full list of programs by institution, please download the IPG & EEBC IPG Eligible Programs of Study from the BC PNP documents page of the website.



# International Graduate Category

## Employer Requirements

- Same requirements for SI and EEBC
- Good financial standing; Good business practices
- Established & operating in BC for at least 1 year
- Have at least 5 full-time staff if in GVRD, 3 if outside GVRD
- Offer Market rate wages

## International Graduate SI - IG

- Full-time, indefinite job offer in NOC 0, A, or B occupation
- Degree/Diploma/ Certificate in an eligible program and institution in Canada
- Completed within past 3 years
- Min of 8 months full-time study (2 semesters)
- intent to reside in B.C.
- Able to economically establish
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# Skilled Worker (SW) Category

## Employer

- Good financial standing
- Established for 1 year
- Sufficient staff
- Market rate wages

## Skilled Worker SI - SW

- Have full-time, indefinite job offer in a NOC 0, A or B occupation
- Minimum 2 years directly-related experience
- Requisite education for job
- BC certification (if required)
- Legally able to work in B.C.
- Able to economically establish
- NOC B applications language test scores

## Skilled Worker EEBC - SW

### Accepted into IRCC Express Entry pool

- Have full-time, indefinite job offer in NOC 0, A or B occupation
- Min. 2 years related experience
- Requisite education for job
- B.C. certification (if required)
- Legally able to work in B.C.
- Able to economically establish

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# Entry Level and Semi-Skilled (ELSS) Category

## Employer

- Good financial standing
- **Well-established for 2 years**
- Sufficient staff
- Full-time, indeterminate job offer
- Market rate wages
- **Eligible NOC C & D occupation in Hospitality, Tourism, Food Processing, Long Haul Truck Driving only**

## Applicant

- 9 months consecutive full-time work with employer in offered position prior to submission of registration
- Continuous employment during process
- Minimum language requirements (CLB 4)
- Maintain immigration status
- Able to economically establish

# BC PNP Tech

## Supporting B.C.'s technology sector

### Service & Timeliness

- Dedicated concierge service
- Dedicated email for employers
- 29 priority tech occupations
- 2-day response time / just-in-time access

### Prioritization

- Assigned next business day
- Fast-tracked
- BC PNP tech team

### Engagement

- Increased and focused outreach to tech sector

**Job Offer:** Indeterminate **OR** one year duration with 120 days remaining at the time of application; must be in one of the 29 eligible tech occupations

# 29 Eligible Occupations

<b>NOC</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>NOC</b>	<b>Job Title</b>
0131	Telecommunication carriers managers	2242	Electronic service technicians (household and business equipment)
0213	Computer and information systems managers	2243	Industrial instrument technicians and mechanics
0512	Managers – publishing, motion pictures, broadcasting and performing arts	2281	Computer network technicians
2131	Civil engineers	2282	User support technicians
2132	Mechanical engineers	2283	Information systems testing technicians
2133	Electrical and electronics engineers	5121	Authors and writers
2134	Chemical engineers	5122	Editors
2147	Computer engineers (except software engineers and designers)	5125	Translators, terminologists and interpreters
2171	Information systems analysts and consultants	5224	Broadcast technicians
2172	Database analysts and data administrators	5225	Audio and video recording technicians
2173	Software engineers and designers	5226	Other technical and co-ordinating occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting and the performing arts
2174	Computer programmers and interactive media developers	5227	Support occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting, photography and the performing arts
2175	Web designers and developers	5241	Graphic designers and illustrators
2221	Biological technologists and technicians	6221	Technical sales specialists – wholesale trade
2241	Electrical and electronics engineering technologists and technicians		



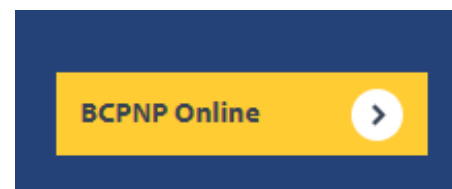
## Registration and Application

### Step 1:



Skills Immigration – International Graduate Category
Documents/requirements are provided:
Cover of Canadian immigration records
Valid IGC document issued by the responsible office
Cover of biographical page of passport
Current photograph
Copy of LMO / LMR (if applicable)
Copy of valid language test results**
Cover of education and/or training certificates (if applicable)
Official Canadian education transcripts
Copy of educational credential assessment (ECA) (if applicable)
Current resume/CV
Spouse or common-law partner's tax employment record (if applicable)
BCPNP use of a representative form – applicant? (if applicable)

### Step 2:



Home Register Sign In

## WELCOME TO BC PNP ONLINE

Don't have a profile yet? Register

**USER ID**

Enter your User ID

Forgot User ID?

**PASSWORD**

Enter your password

Forgot password?

Your password must contain a minimum of 8 characters. It should include upper and lower case (A to Z; a to z) characters, numerals (0 to 9), and non-alphanumeric keyboard symbols (e.g., ! \$ # %). The password must not contain User ID, First Name or Last Name.

Sign In

# Registration Scoring

<b>Economic Factors</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>Human Capital Factors</b>	<b>80</b>
NOC	60	Language	30
Wage	50	Work experience	25
Location	10	Education	25
<b>Additional Points</b>		<b>Additional Points</b>	
NOC 00	15	1 year of directly-related work experience in Canada	10
Top 100 Occupation	10	Post-secondary education in Canada	8
Currently working in offered position	10	ECA or trades certification	4

# Entrepreneur Immigration

- Base Category
- Regional Pilot
- Strategic Projects

The Entrepreneur Immigration – Base category remains temporarily paused and BC PNP is not accepting new registrations at this time.

The EI Regional Pilot was introduced in March 2019 and has been extended to March 31, 2024.

The Strategic Projects category of the BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) Entrepreneur Immigration stream is for foreign corporations who have identified strategic investment opportunities in B.C. to establish operations that are integral to the growth and expansion of their core business.

# BC PROVINCIAL NOMINEE PROGRAM

	EI – Base Category	EI – Regional Pilot
<b>Experience</b>	<b>Within last 10 years:</b> At least either 3+ years of experience as a business owner–manager, OR, 4+ years of experience as a senior manager, OR, a combination of 1+ year of experience as a business owner–manager and 2+ years of experience as a senior manager.	<b>Within last 5 years:</b>
<b>Net worth</b>	At least \$600,000	At least \$300,000
<b>Education</b>	Obtained a post–secondary credential, OR, experience as an active business owner–manager for at least 36 of the last 60 months with 100% ownership in the business.	
<b>Business proposal</b>	You must submit a business proposal to establish a new business or purchase of an existing business in B.C.	You must submit a business proposal to establish a new business in B.C. and be referred by an enrolled community.
<b>Ownership percentage</b>	At least one–third (33.33%)	At least 51%
<b>Investment</b>	Minimum \$200,000	Minimum \$100,000
<b>Job creation</b>	Must create at least one full–time equivalent job for a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada	
<b>Location</b>	Anywhere in British Columbia	Participating communities
<b>Exploratory visit required?</b>	No	Yes. You must engage and visit an enrolled community for support before registering.
<b>Language requirement?</b>	Minimum of CLB 4 equivalent in English or French. Must submit a copy of valid language proficiency test results at final report (if not previously submitted).	Minimum of CLB 4 equivalent in English or French. Must submit copy of valid language proficiency test at registration.
<b>Partner with BC PNP co–registrant allowed?</b>	Yes	No
<b>Partner with a local business/person allowed?</b>	Yes	
<b>Registration scores</b>	Total 200 points (120 points for self–declared section; 80 points for business concept). Must score minimum of 32 points in business concept section.	Total 200 points (140 points for self–declared section; 60 points for business concept). No minimum business concept score. Total score must be at least 105 points to qualify.
<b>Registration timeframe</b>	Registrations are scored within 6 weeks	Registrations are scored within 4 weeks
<b>Net worth verification</b>	Yes, you must obtain a net worth verification report if you are invited to apply.	
<b>Application timeframe</b>	Application decisions are typically made within 4 months.	
<b>Interview required for approval?</b>	Yes	
<b>Minimum amount of time to submit a final report</b>	18 months after issuance of a work permit	12 months after issuance of a work permit
<b>Fees</b>	Registration: \$300 Application: \$3,500	Registration: \$300 Application: \$3,500

# COVID-19 and BC PNP

## COVID-19 related measures:

- International Graduates are eligible for the category for up to 3 years from graduation using the date of initial registration
- Documents – flexibility with deadlines to submit
- Remote work – in BC, outside BC
- Nominees must contact BC PNP if material changes to their employment
- The BC PNP has temporarily amended the online learning requirement for the international student categories. This will allow learning to be online, with 50% or more of studies from within Canada.

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