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Study in Canada

List of documents to gather, step by step · Updated on 22 November 2026

> Tick each document as soon as it is ready. Any question? Message us on WhatsApp at +243 997 998 478.

1. Admission

- [ ] Letter of acceptance from a designated learning institution (DLI): always required
- [ ] Provincial or territorial attestation letter (PAL/TAL), required in most cases: you often have to accept the offer and pay part of the tuition
- [ ] To study in Quebec: Quebec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) instead of the PAL

2. Study permit (online application to IRCC)

- [ ] Copy of the information page of a valid passport (the original is sent if the application is approved)
- [ ] 2 recent passport photos, name and date of birth on the back
- [ ] Proof of funds: the first year of tuition, plus CAD 23,448 per year to live outside Quebec, or CAD 24,617 in Quebec (single person)
- [ ] Letter of explanation: why study in Canada and your responsibilities as a student (recommended)
- [ ] Medical exam if you stay more than 6 months or recently stayed in certain countries
- [ ] Police certificate, if IRCC asks for it
- [ ] Under 17 without a parent: custodian documents
- [ ] Documents specific to the visa office for your country, listed on canada.ca
- [ ] Fees: study permit CAD 150 and biometrics CAD 85, then the biometrics appointment

3. Before departure and on arrival

- [ ] Port of entry letter received with the approval, passport and visa
- [ ] Accommodation, health insurance and flight
- [ ] Admission documents and proof of funds to show the officer on arrival

Ebola: since 27 May 2026 Canada has suspended decisions on study permits for DRC residents, until 27 November 2026 as of today. Admissions can be prepared now.

List based on the official sources quoted on our page. The authorities may ask for other documents: we reconfirm it for each file. No result is guaranteed.