

What are the new changes regarding Post-Graduate Work Permits (PGWP)?

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➤ **What Hasn't Changed?**

- To be eligible for a PGWP, you must continue to meet the [general and physical location](#) eligibility requirements (even after November 1, 2024) and complete a study program at a [PGWP eligible designated learning institution](#) (such as OC).

➤ **New Eligibility Requirements for a PGWP**

▪ **If you submitted your study permit application before November 1, 2024, and graduate from an eligible DLI (such as OC) you will be subject to the following requirements:**

- **Language requirement:**
 - ❖ If you graduated with a bachelor's degree (or master's degree), you must prove your English language skills with a minimum level of Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB) 7 in all 4 language areas.
 - ❖ If you graduated from any other college program (e.g., diploma or certificate), you must prove your English language skills with a minimum level of CLB 5 in English (or NCLC 5 in French) in all 4 language areas.
 - ❖ Eligible Language Tests: **English:** IELTS, CELPIP, PTE Core / **French:** TEF Canada + TCF Canada
- **Field of Study Requirement:**
 - ❖ If you submitted your **study permit** application before November 1, 2024, you **don't** need to meet the field of study requirements.
 - ❖ For study permit extension applications used to complete the same program of study as the study permit application made before November 1, 2024, there is no field-of-study requirement for the PGWP.



▪ **If you submitted your study permit application on or after November 1, 2024, you must also meet the new requirements that apply to your situation to be eligible to apply for a PGWP:**

- ❖ **Language requirement:** If you graduate from a college program, you must prove your English language skills with a minimum level of CLB 7 for a bachelor's degree (or master's degree), and CLB 5 for all other college programs, in all 4 language areas.
- ❖ **Field of study requirement:** You must graduate in a PGWP-eligible field of study linked to certain occupations in long-term shortage.

Further details on the eligible fields of study can be found here:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/work/after-graduation/eligibility/study-requirements.html#field-of-study>

Please note that the final decision on a PGWP application ultimately rests with the IRCC officer.

Queries:

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