Dear Student,

Have you considered staying in Canada after you graduate? If so, there is a useful information session this week on a new permanent residency option for students. This session will cover a new pathway for entrepreneurial international students to stay and work in Canada. We’ve also included recently implemented IRCC updates related to travel restrictions and requirements for graduated students.

You can find the event details below. If you have questions about these sessions, please feel free to contact our team at iss@ucalgary.ca.

Have a great week,

International Student Services

Important dates and information

- April 29: Final exam period ends
- April 30: Winter term ends; personal income tax due date
- May 5: Spring classes begin

UPDATE: Flights suspended from India and Pakistan

Effective 11:30 p.m. EDT on April 22, 2021, all direct flights into Canada from India and Pakistan have been suspended for a period of 30 days.
Register for Career Conference 2021

You're invited to Career Services' online Career Conference from May 4 to 6. Learn in-demand skills, hear from local leaders and industry experts, grow your professional network and get the information you need to make your next big move.

Speakers from Benevity, Platform Calgary, Neo Financial, Alberta Health Services and more will be in attendance.

View all sessions and register »

Visa cancellations for expired medical exams

The department of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) may cancel visas for students whose medicals have expired. If you were required to submit a medical exam for your visa application, please ensure that it is valid and up-to-date before you travel to Canada. An immigration medical exam is valid only for a period of one year from the date the exam was taken.

Note: Airline staff in the country of origin will deny boarding to travellers destined to Canada if their immigration medical is expired.

Learn more »

Resources and opportunities

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UPass mobile app pilot project

In collaboration with the City of Calgary, UPass will be launching a pilot project for full-time students enrolled in the Spring/Summer 2021 term who are eligible to opt-in for a one-time-only UPass.

The fee to participate is $262 (non-prorated) for four months (May 1 – Aug. 31) of unlimited transportation with Calgary City Transit.

Find program details and eligibility »

Online events and workshops

Simple Supper
Interested in an opportunity to dine (virtually) together? The Faith and Spirituality Centre invites people of all backgrounds, denominations, religious orientations and affiliations to come together and connect over conversation.

**Date:** Wednesday, April 28 (weekly until May 26)
**Time:** 6 – 7:15 p.m. MDT

[Register »](#)

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**Webinar: Permanent residency options for student entrepreneurs**

Are you graduating this spring? Have you thought about running your own business?

Alberta Labour and Immigration is hosting a free webinar on a new immigration stream that can help you put your business ideas to work in Alberta. As part of the Alberta Immigrant Nominee Program (AINP), the International Graduate Entrepreneur Immigration Stream can provide a permanent residency pathway for international graduates.

**Date:** Friday, April 30
**Time:** 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. MDT

[Register »](#)

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**Games Night with ISS**

Want to relax, play some games, and meet other students? Join us as we play virtual games like JackBox, Among Us, and more. These events are the perfect chance for you to take a quick study break or have some fun after your exams.

**Date:** Friday, April 30
**Time:** 6 – 7:30 p.m. MDT

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**Ask A Counsellor**

Have questions about counselling, mental health, or how to stay well? In this interactive workshop,
Student Wellness Services counsellors Danni Lei and Alex Klassen answer your questions about student life, relationships, personal wellbeing and everything in between.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 5  
**Time:** Noon – 1 p.m. MDT

Register »

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**International graduate students: Library meet and greet**

Want to learn more about the services and resources that the UCalgary library has to offer? This session will help you understand the library system, how library staff can support you and learn how to connect with resources both online and in person.

**Date:** Tuesday, May 11  
**Time:** 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. MDT

Register »

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**Want more events?**

Check out our events calendar for a complete list of events and workshops for international students.

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**Participate in research**

Want to be a part of some of the groundbreaking research at UCalgary? Check our Get Involved page to see what's available for international students.

- **Help Us Better Understand The Challenges Faced By Autistic University Students** | Participants will receive a $10 Visa gift card
- **Language Brokering Initiative** | Eligible participants will receive a $30 gift card

Are you a study coordinator in need of research study participants? Submit a research participant request.