Frequently Asked Questions: Applying for a Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)

Part 1: How to answer the questions in the Come to Canada Wizard (Online applications ONLY)

If you are applying by mail, skip to Part 2.

**What would you like to do in Canada?**
If you are applying for a TRV, select “Study”

**What is your current country of residence?**
Select “Canada”

**Which of the following best describes your situation?**
Select “I have a study permit for a specific institution or level of education”

**Have you lived in a designated country or territory for more than 6 months in the last year?**
Select “No” if you have been living in Canada for at least 6 of the past 12 months
If you have lived in a designated country or territory outside of Canada for more than 6 of the past 12 months, you may require a medical exam.

Once you’ve answered all the questions, the following checklist should appear:

![Application Form(s)](image)

![Supporting Documents](image)

![Fees](image)

The fee shown is an estimate based on the fees in effect on the day that this Personal Checklist Code is issued. The actual fees to be paid will be calculated on the date of submission.

Note: The checklist above is based on applying for a TRV only.

*If your checklist looks different from the above and you have questions, contact an International Student Advisor.*

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Part 2: How to complete the application form (IMM 5257)

Having trouble opening the IMM5257 application form?

- Try opening the form with Internet Explorer from your MyCIC account or
- Download the form and save the file to your computer. Open the file with Adobe Reader.

1 UCI
12345678

Your UCI (‘Unique Client Identifier’) is your 8 or 10 digit Client ID number, located on your study permit.

3 * Visa requested
Visitor Visa

Select “Visitor Visa”.

2 Current country of residence

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Indicate your current country of residence as Canada and your status as a student from the date you arrived in Canada to the expiry date of your current study permit.

Select “Returning Student”

DETAILS OF VISIT TO CANADA

1 a) Purpose of my visit
Returning Student

b) Other

Indicate how long you plan to stay

2 

3 Funds available for my stay/CASE

The length of stay is from the date you apply (i.e., today) to the expiry date of your current study permit.

Indicate amount of funds available for your stay. IRCC’s standard cost for 1 year is $10,000.

4 Name, address and relationship of any person(s) or institution(s) I will visit:

Name
Simon Fraser University

Relationship to me
My University

Address in Canada
8888 University Drive, Burnaby, B.C., V5A 1S6

Indicate SFU and other institutions or individuals you will visit in Canada.

EDUCATION

Have you had any post-secondary education (including university, college or apprenticeship training)?

- No
- Yes

Click “Yes” and indicate your time at SFU so far.

Fill in the present year and month or leave blank if still in progress

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Indicate your most recent schooling and employment (on and off campus), in Canada and abroad, for the past 10 years.

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If you are applying online, DO NOT SIGN OR DATE the form. Simply validate (see below), save and upload it to your MyCIC account.

If you are applying by mail, validate the form, print and sign it by hand before mailing it.

Once you have completed all sections of the form, click this button to validate it. If the form has been completed correctly, you will then see a series of barcodes on the last page.

Helpful tip:

If you are applying online, take screenshots of your document checklist (after you have uploaded all completed forms and supporting documents) and the page confirming that your application was submitted. Save the images in a safe place on your computer or on a USB flash drive.

For information on all other required documents and the full application process, please see our Temporary resident visa handout.

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