

## **Subject: Coming to Canada: Applying for your Visa**

Hello incoming international students!

Welcome to our mini communication series designed to help you prepare for your exciting journey to Canada! Over the next few weeks, we'll be sending you emails on topics such as study permit applications, childcare, housing, travel info, registration, healthcare, and more. Each message will be short and packed with essential information and tips that will help you consider all the details and help you make your plans.

To kick us off, here is the information you need to get your PAL and apply for your study permit.

### **How to Get Your Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL)**

To receive your Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL), please follow these steps:

1. **Pay Your First Semester Fees in Full:** Complete your first semester payment to Canadore College. See [How do I pay my fees?](#)
2. **Payment confirmation:** Once we confirm your payment we will then request your PAL directly from the Province.
3. **Timeline for Receiving Your PAL:**
  - o From payment confirmation to receiving your PAL: approximately 5-10 business days
4. **Receive Your PAL Notification:** When your PAL is ready, we will upload it to your OCAS application under "Supporting Documents," and you will receive a notification.
5. **Important note:** You must apply for your study permit before January 21, 2025.

We typically aim to provide your PAL within 10 business days of submission; however, your full first semester fees must be paid in full before we can request the PAL from the Province. It is your responsibility to see the cost breakdown on page two of your LOA. If you deferred to a future term, there will be an increase in the cost due to inflation and it will need to be paid in full to get the PAL.

### **Applying for your Study Permit**

For the most up-to-date and accurate information about study permits and the application process please visit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/study-permit.html> - make sure you follow the instructions carefully and ensure you provide all documentation requested.

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Still have questions? **Don't miss our virtual information sessions and pre-departure orientation on December 5. Register by clicking [here!](#)**

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Stay tuned for the next email in this series – coming soon!

From your friendly Canadore International Department