

Welcome to Brock University!

You should apply for your study permit as soon as you receive your letter of acceptance. The time needed to process an application to study in Canada may be different at various visa offices. To check the requirements for a study permit from your country please refer to the following website:

<http://w01.educationau-incanada.ca/index.aspx?action=visa&lang=eng>

Please make sure your application is complete and that you include the necessary documents. Use the document checklist that is included in the application kit. Consult the website of the Canadian visa office serving the country or region where you live to determine if you need to fill out any additional forms or provide any additional documents. <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study-how.asp> and <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/offices/apply-where.asp>

When completing your study permit application please make sure you read the application carefully and **complete all the questions**. (If the information is not **applicable**, please indicate **N/A**. If the information is not **known**, indicate **N/K**.) Also, read the checklist and make sure you include all the required documents.

Some common reasons for rejection are:

*“You have not satisfied me that adequate funds are available to you to pay for your tuition and living expenses while in Canada and to return to your country of residence”*

Please make sure that you provide proof of funds to cover your tuition and living expenses in Canada. (Tuition plus \$10,000 for a 12-month period for a single student) You must include your bank statement and any additional financial support you may have (for example, letter of financial support from a sponsor; letter of support and bank statement from your parents; bank loan)

*“Little ties to return to”*

Please include *any information* that would provide evidence of ties in your home country. For example, if you are currently employed you should include a letter of employment from your supervisor.

*“Not genuine student”*

You may want to include a letter stating what your current status is in your home country and what your plans are if you were to complete your studies in Canada and return home.

The following information is from the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website:  
(<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/institutions/intent.asp>):

In assessing an application for a study permit an officer may also consider factors such as:

- The length of time that the client will be spending in Canada;
- The means of support;
- Obligations and ties in home country;
- Compliance with other requirements of the Act and Regulations applicable to students/temporary residents.

If an application for a study permit is not approved, the CIC visa officer will provide the client with a letter explaining why an application has been refused. A study permit application might be refused for several reasons including:

- Not providing sufficient proof that an individual has enough money to support oneself while studying in Canada, and to return to their country of residence;
- Medical inadmissibility;
- Not satisfying the visa officer that there is an intention to study in Canada;
- Not satisfying the visa officer that the individual will leave Canada at the end of their period of authorized stay.
- Not submitting all required documentation; and
- Not satisfying the officer that the applicant has answered all material questions truthfully as required by Section 16(1) of IRPA.