

Instructions for completing the form Application for a Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies

ATTENTION

- Make sure to send us your Application for a Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies with all the required documents, depending on the OPTION that reflects your situation (see pages 3 and 4 of the instructions). Otherwise, processing of your application will be delayed.
- All other forms or declarations required to support your application, if any, can be <u>found</u> on the website of the <u>Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles</u> at <u>www.immigration-Québec.gouv.gc.ca</u> (Forms section).
- The documents provided must be **in French or English** or be accompanied by a translation into French or English signed and certified by a professional translator.
- The documents enclosed with your application will not be returned to you. Make sure you have other copies for your application for a Study Permit.
- The fee for examining your application (CAN \$100) must be paid when you submit the application. This fee is not refundable.
- When renewing an application for a CAQ for studies, attach your identity documents again and provide recent proof of your financial capacity along with new declarations signed recently.

ADDRESS

Send your application to:

Service aux étudiants étrangers Direction de l'immigration temporaire Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles 285, rue Notre-Dame Ouest, rez-de-chaussée, G-15 Montréal (Québec) H2Y 1T8 CANADA

PROCESSING YOUR APPLICATION

- The Service aux étudiants étrangers will issue a decision on your application for a CAQ for studies within a maximum of four weeks after receiving your complete file.
- If the decision is positive, you will receive your CAQ for studies at the mailing address that you gave in Question 8 of the form.
- If you were not required to provide proof of financial capacity, you will receive a single copy of your CAQ for studies with the notation
 "Requérant" (Applicant). A notice of conditional approval will be sent simultaneously to the Canadian Visa Office (CVO) where you
 will apply for a Study Permit (question 12 on the form) so that it can assess your financial capacity.
- If you need to provide financial proof, you will receive two copies of your CAQ with the notations "Requérant" and "Immigration Canada." The latter must be attached to your application to Canadian authorities for a Study Permit.

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS

Photo

You must provide the **original** of a passport-size identity photo (35 mm x 45 mm) taken in the past 12 months that allows your identification and staple it in the space provided for this purpose. Write your name on the back of the photo.

Question 1

Enter your family name and first name as they appear in your passport, and distinguish between your family name at birth and after marriage where applicable.

Question 8

Give the **complete address** at which you wish to receive mail concerning your application for a CAQ for studies.

Question 12

To apply for a Study Permit

- Clearly indicate the place where you will **apply** for your Study Permit. If you must apply outside Canada, indicate the location of the Canadian Visa Office (CVO) where you will send your application. To find out which CVO covers your current place of residence, consult the website of Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) at www.cic.gc.ca. If you do not have Internet access, contact the Canadian Embassy to obtain the address of the appropriate CVO.
- To renew Study Permits, it is not advisable to send the application to CIC Vegreville if you are not in Canada while your
 application is being processed. Any error or delay in processing your application could jeopardize your return to Canada and
 may oblige you to file a new application at a CVO outside Canada.

Question 13

A separate application form for a CAQ for studies must be completed by each person who will study in Québec.

Question 22

Depending on the option that reflects your situation, you must demonstrate your capacity to pay the following expenses:

- · Your tuition fees and other education-related expenses
- Your living expenses (2009 rate), namely an annual minimum of CAN \$11,000 for one adult, \$5,500 for one child, \$16,100 for two adults, \$14,800 for one adult and one child, \$18,100 for two adults and one child
- Your travel costs (round-trip ticket)
- The cost of medical and hospitalization insurance for yourself and accompanying family members (about CAN \$600-700/year for a single person)
- Your settlement expenses (CAN \$500) for the first year of your stay in Québec

Add any proof of payment made, where applicable.

You must also demonstrate that you will continue to have sufficient financial resources to pay these expenses for the duration of your studies (total amount or proof of stable income). This financial proof must cover accompanying family members, if any.

If someone is supporting you financially, you must provide proof of his or her financial capacity. You must also provide a Declaration of financial support (see page 6) signed by this person.

If you are **renewing** an application for a CAQ for studies from a country or territory **not listed in OPTION 1**, you do not have to provide financial proof.

Question 23

- The fee for examining your application is CAN \$100.
- Only the indicated methods of payment are accepted. Personal cheques are not accepted.
- You may choose to pay by credit card (bank card). To do so, complete the Payment by credit card form. Make sure that it is signed by the card holder and attach it to your application.
- Certified cheques and bank drafts must be payable to the Ministre des Finances du Québec and must be valid for six months.
 Your banking institution must ensure that the cheque is drawn on a Canadian bank and is cashable at no charge by our office.

Question 25 (Declaration and Commitments)

The declaration and commitments (page 4 of the application) must be signed. Photocopied or digitized signatures are not accepted.

- If you are **age 18 or older**, you must sign the declaration yourself. Any signature other than your own will result in your application form being rejected.
- If you are under age 18 at the time of your application but you will reach 18 within the next three years, your signature AND
 that of your father, mother or legal guardian are required.
- If you are **under age 18** at the time of your application and will remain so for the next three years, the signature of only one of the following persons is required: your father, your mother or your legal guardian.

Authorizations

The signing of any authorization is **optional**. Failure to sign will have no effect on the processing of your application. However, the *Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles* will not be able to provide any information on the progress of your application to a third party.

If you wish to sign any of the authorizations and:

- You are **age 18 or older**, your signature is required in order for your father, mother, legal guardian or a third party to obtain information on the progress of your application or act on your behalf.
- You are **under age 18**, the signature of your father, mother or legal guardian is required for a third party to be able to obtain information on the progress of your application or act on your behalf.

Question 26 (Communicate information to the educational institution)

- Signing the consent form is optional. However, without this signed consent form, the Ministère is not authorized to provide information on your CAQ for studies to the educational institution that you will attend.
- If you are under age 18, the **original** signature of one of the following persons is required: your father, your mother or your legal guardian.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, DEPENDING ON THE OPTION CORRESPONDING TO YOUR SITUATION Check the boxes corresponding to your application. **OPTION 1** If this is a first application for a CAQ for studies and you (the future student) currently live in Austria, Canada, United States, France (including La Réunion), Greenland, Hong Kong, Mexico, Monaco, or Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, enclose the following documents with the application form: Original of a recent passport-size identity photo (35 mm x 45 mm) bearing your name on the back Payment of fee to examine the application Legible photocopy of pages of your passport bearing personal information and the photo (well defined). Your passport must be valid. Letter of admission from the registrar (or Admissions Office) of the educational establishment that you will attend (not required for a minor child accompanied to Québec by a parent who holds a study or work permit) Recent proof of your financial capacity (see instructions to question 22) OR recent proof of financial capacity of the person who supports you financially AND Declaration of financial support signed by this person (see page 6 of the application form) To apply for a Study Permit If you live in Austria, France, Hong Kong, Mexico or Monaco, you must present your application for a Study Permit to the Canadian Visa Office (CVO) covering the country where you live. If you are a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, a Danish citizen living in Greenland or a French national living in Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, you can obtain your Study Permit from the Canadian government on arrival at your port of entry. If you live in the United States and are a citizen or permanent resident of another country, you must contact the Canadian Visa Office that serves the area where you now live. If you currently live in Canada, check the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website www.cic.gc.ca to learn where to submit your application for a Study Permit. **OPTION 2** If this is your first application for a CAQ for studies and you do not live in any of the countries listed in the Option 1, enclose the following documents with your application form: Original of a recent passport-size identity photo (35 mm x 45 mm) bearing your name on the back Payment of fee to examine the application Legible photocopy of pages of your passport bearing personal information and photo (well defined). Your passport must be valid. Letter of admission from the registrar (or Admissions Office) of the educational establishment that you will attend (not required for a minor child accompanied to Québec by a parent who holds a study or work permit) To apply for a Study Permit Your proof of financial capacity must be presented to the Canadian Visa Office (CVO) where you will submit your application for a Study Permit. **OPTION 3** For any application for a minor child (under age 18) accompanied to Québec by only one parent, enclose the documents required for OPTIONS 1, 2 or 5, depending on your case, as well as the following documents: If the child is of minor age and is accompanied by both parents, refer to OPTIONS 1, 2 or 5, depending on your situation. Original of a Declaration of consent to the child's stay in Québec, signed by the parent who is not accompanying the child Photocopy of the child's birth certificate bearing the name of his parents Photocopy of an identity document of the non-accompanying parent bearing his or her signature OR in the absence of these three documents: Photocopy of an official document attesting that the parent accompanying the

child has sole custody

OPTION 4						
	For any application made for a minor child (under age 18) unaccompanied by his parents to Québec, enclose the documents required under OPTIONS 1, 2 or 5, depending on the case, as well as the following documents:					
	Photocopy of the child's birth certificate bearing the name of its parents Photocopy of an identity document of each parent bearing their signature					
	Original of the Declaration of parental authority establishing the rights and duties of guardianship, supervision, education and taking charge by a resident of Québec who is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident and at least 18 years old. This declaration must be signed by both parents or by the legal guardian.					
	If only one parent has signed, a photocopy of an official document attesting that the signing parent has sole custody of the child					
	Original of the Declaration of guardianship for a minor child for the full duration of the CAQ or until the child is 18 years old, signed by the child's guardian in Québec					
	Photocopy of a document showing that the child's guardian in Québec is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident					
If th	ne expenses for the minor child's stay in Québec are paid by someone other than its father or mother:					
	Declaration of financial support (see page 6 the application form) signed by this other person					
	Recent proof of the financial capacity of this person					
	OPTION 5					
or i	ou extend your studies in Québec beyond the duration of your current CAQ for studies, change your level of studies, register in an education program of the same level that will conclude before the expiry of your current CAQ, you must esent a new application for a CAQ for studies and enclose the following documents:					
П	Original of a recent passport-size identity photo (35 mm x 45 mm) bearing your name on the back					
	Payment of fee to examine the application (unless you are admitted in a program of the same level concluding before the expiry of					
П	the current CAQ) Legible photocopy of pages of your passport bearing personal information and the photo (well defined). Your passport must be valid.					
	Official letter from the registrar of the educational institution that you attend establishing your full-time student status and the number of credits obtained or to be obtained where applicable					
	Original of your marks transcripts from the educational institution in Québec covering the entire validity period of your CAQ for studies or copies certified true to the originals by the institution AND					
	 If you were not always a full-time student during this period: 					
	Letter of explanation and supporting document					
	- If you are a graduate student writing a thesis:					
_	Official letter from the department or faculty confirming your full-time registration in each writing semester up to the present and indicating the probable completion date of your program. This letter is not required if this information already appears in documents that you are enclosing with your application.					
Ш	Recent proof of your financial capacity or that of the person who is supporting you financially (see instructions for question 22) AND					
	 If someone is supporting you financially: 					
	Recent Declaration of financial support signed by this person					
	Proof that you maintained medical and hospitalization insurance in Québec for the entire validity period of your CAQ for studies (unless you attended a university or educational institution which includes this type of insurance in the tuition fees)					
	Proof that you hold medical and hospitalization insurance in Québec for the first year of validity of your new CAQ for studies (unless you attend a university or educational institution which includes this type of insurance in the tuition fees)					
	If you change program or level of studies, a letter of admission from the registrar (or Admissions Office) of the educational institution that you will attend					
	To apply for a Study Permit					
	 You may file your application to renew a Study Permit with the case processing centre of Citizenship and Immigration Canada in Vegreville, Alberta, or at a CVO outside Canada, if you are away from Canada while your application is being processed. 					



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COMPLETE THIS FORM IN BLOCK LETTERS

In order to facilitate readability, the terms used include both sexes

Reserved for administration											
Individual refere	ence N	No.:	L	\perp							
File No.:	Ш					\perp					
Application No.:											

SI	SECTION 1 GENERAL INFORMATION							
1.	Family name at birth:(See instructions)	Staple here						
	First name:	- Staple liefe						
	Family name after marriage (where applicable):	PHOTO MANDATORY						
2.	Sex:	Passport-size (35 mm x 45 mm)						
3.	Date of birth: Year/Month/Day							
	Place of birth:	Country						
4.	Citizenship / Nationality:							
5.	Marital status: ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ De facto spouse ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated ☐ Wido	w						
6.	Language spoken French English Other(s) Specify:							
7.	Language of correspondence:							
8.	a) Mailing address: (See instructions) No. Street	Apt.						
	City Country b) Current residence: Same as above Other, specify the country	Postal Code						
	b) Current residence.							
9.	Telephone number: Other:							
10.	E-mail address:							
11.	a) Have you already obtained a CAQ for studies? No Yes Start date Year / Month	nd dateYear / Month						
	b) If yes, during the past six months, have you stayed in Québec to study? ☐ Yes ☐ No							
12.	Through which Canadian government office will you apply for a Study Permit? Check only one box. (See instructions)						
	☐ Canadian Visa Office abroad (Specify which one):							
	City Port of entry (border crossing or airport for US citizen or permanent resident of the United States, Danish citizen living in Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon	Country ing in Greenland and French citi-						
	☐ Citizenship and Immigration Canada, Vegreville, Alberta, Canada (renewal from within Canada)							

13.		te family members (spouse, de facto of your studies, and the reason for the			dy lives in Québec or who will						
	Family name	First name	Date of birth Year / Month / Day	Family relationship with student	Reason for being in Québec (visit, studies, temporary work or other, specify)						
SE	SECTION 2 EDUCATION INFORMATION										
14.	14. Name and address of the educational institution that you will attend in Québec:										
15.	a) Study program:										
	b) Level of studies in Québec: □ Primary □ Secondary □ College University: □ Undergraduate / Professional □ Master's □ Doctorate										
	Other (specify):										
16.	Annual tuition fees: \$CAN _	(according to your letter	r of admission)								
17.	7. Start date for study program End date for study program										
	Year / Month	Year / Month	-								
18.	Are you participating in an exchange	ange program? ☐ Yes ☐ No)								
SE	SECTION 3 FINANCIAL SITUATION										
19.	Your living expenses and tuition	fees in Québec will be paid by:									
	Yourself Parent(s):	Family name and First na	Other: _	Family nam	e and First name						
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20.	Where applicable, give the addre	ess and phone number of the principal		self or an organization) who will support your needs:						
	Address: No.		Street		Apt.						
		City	Country		Postal Code						
	Telephone number:		a,								

21.	India	dicate the OPTION that corresponds to your situation. (See instructions, pages 3 and 4)							
		Option 1 Option 2 Option 3 Option 4 Option 5							
22.	If the OPTION corresponding to your situation requires proof of your financial capacity, check the boxes indicating the documents you are enclosing with your application. The enclosed proof must be recent and sufficient . (See the instructions)								
		Recent proof of funds transfer to your name							
		Any recent statement of your assets (cash, investments: shares, units, bonds, etc.) and income							
		Recent authorization of funds transfer from the currency control authority of your country of origin or residence							
		Recent official confirmation of the award of a scholarship specifying the monthly and annual amounts to be received							
		Recent paycheque stubs							
		Most recent notice of assessment from an income tax authority, stating annual income							
		Bank statement for the last three months with the current balance indicating the account holder, bank letter indicating the current balance bank passbook and proof of ownership of the passbook	alance or						
If the	e cos	osts related to your study stay in Québec are paid by a person other than yourself:							
		Recent and detailed financial proof for this person (letter of employment stating salary, paycheque stubs, notice of assessment from an in authority, income tax returns, bank letter(s) stating the balance, bank statements, etc.)	ncome tax						
		Recent Declaration of financial support signed by this person (See page 6)							
23.	Che	neck your chosen method of payment for the examination of your application for a CAQ for studies (CAN \$100). (See instructions)							
		Payment by Visa, MasterCard or American Express (Complete and enclose the Payment by credit card form.)							
	\sqcup	Certified cheque, teller's cheque, or bank draft drawn on a Canadian bank in Canadian currency, payable to the Ministre des Finances d	lu Québec						
	Ц	Money order drawn on a Canadian bank, in Canadian currency, payable to the Ministre des Finances du Québec							
		Cash payment in Canadian currency (only at the counter of the Service aux étudiants étrangers)							
24.	Give	ive the name, address and telephone number of the person paying the fee for the examination of your application, where applicable:							
	Fam	amily name: First name: Telephone number:							
	Add	ddress:							
	, iuu	No. Street	Apt.						
		City Country Postal	Code						

SECTION 4 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

The personal information appearing on this form, and in any documents that must be appended to it, is required for processing your application for a Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies and the application of the *Act respecting immigration to Québec*, the *Regulation respecting the selection of foreign nationals* and their administrative regulations.

This information may also be used by the Ministère to verify or have third parties verify the accuracy of the information provided or for purposes of studies, statistics or program evaluation, to send you information likely to affect the conditions of your temporary stay in Québec or to advise you of opportunities to apply for permanent immigration.

Your personal information is confidential and may not be disclosed without your consent unless authorized by law. In particular, the law allows personal information to be communicated without your consent under certain conditions if such communication is necessary for:

- the application of an Act in Québec;
- the exercise of the rights and powers of a Canadian government agency, in particular Canadian immigration authorities;
- the purposes of a service to be provided to you by the Ministère or for performing a contract for services entrusted by the Ministère;
- the prosecution of an offence against an Act applicable in Québec, or in case of the urgency of a situation.

Within the Ministère, access to this information is restricted to persons authorized to receive it when the information is necessary to perform their duties. Except for the optional sections, any omission or refusal to answer may result in the rejection of your application, or may delay its processing.

You may obtain information pertaining to your file held by the Ministère, and if necessary, corrections may be requested in writing. For additional information, contact the office handling your application. If this office is unable to provide the requested information, contact the ministerial office responsible for the protection of personal information at the General Secretariat of the *Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles* at 360 McGill Street, 4th floor, Montreal, Québec H2Y 2E9.

SECTION 5	DECLARATIO	N AND COMMITMENT	S (mandatory)				
I declare that the info	rmation contained in t	nis application and the appended d	ocuments is complete and acc	curate.			
I acknowledge that I	have read the notice o	n the protection of personal informa	ation in Section 4 of this form.				
I understand that the	Ministère de l'Immigra	tion et des Communautés culturelle	es may:				
		the accuracy of information provier any information that I know or sho			. , ,		
- refuse any appli	cation that contains fa	se or misleading information or doc	cument;				
	 refuse to consider an application for a certificate from a person who has provided false or misleading information or documentation within the past five years relative to an application under the Act respecting Immigration to Québec; 						
	 cancel a CAQ if the application contains false or misleading information or document, when the certificate was issued by mistake, or if the conditions required for the issue cease to exist. 						
I pledge to pursue the	e program or the level	of studies indicated in this applicati	on.				
I pledge to make my	studies my principal a	ctivity (full-time studies)1.					
I also pledge to main are accompanying m		dy stay in Québec, medical and ho	spitalization insurance ² for my	self and each of the r	nembers of my family who		
25. In witness when	eof. I have signed in			on the			
		City	Country		Year / Month / Day		

SECTION 6 AUTHORIZATIONS (optional)

Signature of the father, mother or legal guardian: ___

(If the applicant is a child under age 18)

Signature of applicant: _ (See instructions)

Subject to the exceptions provided for by the Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information (R.S.Q., c. A-21), the *Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles* is not authorized to communicate any of your personal information without your consent.

If you wish to allow certain individuals or organizations to access this information, you must authorize the Ministère to release it to them. The same applies for a person who you wish to authorize to represent you in this process. Therefore, the following sections are used to identify the information that can be released, and to indicate the individuals or organizations that are authorized to receive it. (See instructions)

These authorizations are optional. Failure to complete them will not affect the processing of your application for a CAQ for studies. If you choose not to use these authorizations, please cross out this page.

¹ Temporary workers and members of their family, asylum seekers and members of their family as well as members of the family of foreign students are exempted from this condition.

² The student and his family who benefit from medical and hospitalization insurance in Québec under a social security agreement are considered to comply with this commitment.

AUTHORIZATION TO R	ELEASE INFORMATION	ON TO THE EDUCA	TIONAL INS	STITUTION			
I authorize the <i>Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles</i> to transmit to the educational institution where I will be pursuing my studies the information relating to my Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies. This information includes the CAQ for studies number, the validity period, and the program of studies or level.							
26. In witness whereof, I have signed in			on the				
20. III Withess whereof, I have signed iii	City	Country		Year / Month / Day			
Signature:(See instructions)							
AUTHORIZATI	ON TO RELEASE INF	ORMATION TO A T	HIRD PART	Υ			
I authorize the <i>Ministère de l'Immigration et de</i> Acceptance Certificate for studies to the following		ease any information related to	the processing of	my application for Québec			
Family name and First na	ame of the person		Telephone num	nber			
Address:							
No.		Street		Apt.			
City		Country		Postal Code			
This authorization will remain valid for the dura	tion of the processing of my appli	cation unless it is revoked in w	riting.				
l ·	This authorization does not confer the person authorized to receive the information the power to represent me. This person may have access to the personal information that is contained in my file, and the Ministère may, at his request, give him a copy of my Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies.						
27. In witness whereof, I have signed in	City	Country	on the	Year / Month / Day			
Signature: (See instructions)							
	AUTHORIZATION TO	REPRESENT ME					
I authorize the following person or organization Consequently, I authorize the <i>Ministère de l'I</i> document related to the processing of my appl file as a request that I have made myself.	mmigration et des Communauté	s culturelles to release to this	person or organ	ization any information or			
Family name and First name o	of the authorized person		Telephone num	nber			
Name of the organization	, where applicable						
Address:		Street		Apt.			
City		Country		Postal Code			
The present will remain valid for the duration of	f the processing of my application	unless revoked in writing.					
28. In witness whereof, I have signed in	City	Country	on the	Year / Month / Day			
Signature: (See instructions)		,					

DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT If your application must be accompanied by proof of financial capacity, according to the OPTION that corresponds to your situation, this declaration must be completed and signed by any person who will be paying the expenses related to your study stay in Québec. Student or minor child: Family name and First name Date of birth I, the undersigned Family name and First name of the person taking financial responsibility for the student or minor child residing at No. Street Citv Country Postal code Who am: a permanent resident of Canada ☐a Canadian citizen other nationality / citizenship (specify) hereby commit to cover all costs related to the stay of this student or minor child in Québec, and more specifically: - to defray his costs of lodging, food, clothing, and personal necessities and/or to house him in my home, feed, clothe, and provide for personal necessities for him, at no cost to this student or minor child; - to defray the costs of schooling fees and other expenses related to the studies, as required by the institution that he attends during his stay in Québec, including additional costs that apply to foreign students, if applicable; - to defray his transportation costs in Québec, and from Québec to his country of origin or to another destination at the end of his stay in Québec; - to subscribe to private medical and hospitalization insurance coverage in Québec in order to cover his medical expenses, and to maintain this inscurance for his entire stay in Québec. This commitment is valid for the duration of the Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ) for studies. I understand that the minister may: - confirm, or have a third party confirm, the accuracy of information provided, and that I am breaking the law and am liable to a penalty if I give the Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles, an inquiry officer or reviewer any information that I know or should know is false or misleading with respect to an application for a CAQ; refuse any application that contains false or misleading information or document; - refuse to consider an application for a certificate from a person who has provided false or misleading information or documentation within the past five years relative to an application under the Act respecting Immigration to Québec; - cancel a CAQ if the application contains false or misleading information or document, when the certificate was issued by mistake, or if the conditions required for the issue cease to exist. In witness whereof, I have signed in on the _ City Country Year / Month / Day Signature: