IMMIGRANT BRIDGING PROGRAMS

- If a program is identified as ►Alberta Works Funded, this means that the program is funded by Community and Business Services (CBS), Alberta Human Services (HS).

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International Pharmacy Bridging Program

Target group:
International Pharmacy Graduates

Program Description:
This program is designed to assist International Pharmacy Graduates (IPG’s) to acquire a license to practice pharmacy in Alberta.

Program Length:
41 weeks

Intake Dates:
Please contact for intake dates.

Pre-Requisites/Eligibility Requirement:
Hold landed immigrant status/permanent residence, Pharmacy Degree from a University recognized by the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada (PEBC), successfully completed the PEBC’s Evaluating Examination, an overall Canadian Language Benchmark score of 7 or ACP recognized language proficiency test.

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Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers:

Accountants’ Bridging Program
► Alberta Works Funded

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Fax: (780) 428-4252
Website: www.emcn.ab.ca

Target group:
Open to immigrants who are permanent residents or Canadian Citizens who hold a degree from an international institution and have considerable experience in the field of accounting.

Program Description:
This 12-month program is to facilitate the professional accreditation and labour market access of internationally-educated accountants through training which meets local business demand. It enhances participants’ business communication and Canadian workplace culture skills, and assists in their adapting and improving of previously learned skills to Canadian standards.

The Program is a partnership between the Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers (EMCN) and Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT). Each partner contributes as follows:

- EMCN provides the English language training, First Aid training, Simply Accounting training and labour market/job search strategy training and supported job search;
- NAIT provides the fast-track accounting training for this specialized accelerated accounting program.

Upon completion of ABP, participants will:
- Have increased / refreshed their knowledge in accounting
- Have acquired Certification from a Canadian educational institution with 13 of 20 courses towards NAIT’s Accelerated Accounting Diploma
- Be more aware of Canadian standards, laws, workplace norms and expectations
- Communicate more effectively in the English language
- Have increased their computer skills including MS Office Suite and Simply Accounting
- Have increased their awareness of Canadian labour market trends and their ability to conduct a successful job search
- Have increased employment prospects in Alberta

Program Length:
12 months

Intake Dates:
Please contact for intake dates.

Pre-Requisites/Eligibility Requirement:
In order to be considered for the program, applicants must:
1. Be a graduate of a degree program from an international institution with significant study and experience in the accounting field
2. Write a Basic Accounting Fundamentals exam (examinations are scheduled between January and May) and submit
3. Have a minimum Canadian Language Benchmarks for Academics (CLBA) score of 6 in Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing
4. Be an Alberta resident, and submit immigration status documents—a PR card, IMM 5292 or recent Canadian Citizenship card
5. Be unemployed, underemployed, or receiving Employment Insurance (EI)
6. Demonstrate readiness, willingness, and ability to complete the full 12 months of programming
7. Pass an interview with a panel of trustees that includes a Department Head from NAIT, the ABP program representative(s), and an accounting industry representative
Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers:

Constructing Futures Program
► Alberta Works Funded

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Target group:
Unemployed, underemployed or marginally employed immigrants who are in receipt of Employment Insurance (EI) Benefits or are EI Reachback

Program Description:
Participants will build their skills in effective Canadian business communication, English language for the construction industry, Canadian workplace culture, workplace safety, use of computers and social media, employment standards and employment readiness. These elements will be instructed in partnership with Enbridge Pipelines. In addition, participants will complete Project Management courses with the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) and will obtain an industry recognized Certificate in Project Leadership. Program includes an 8-week full-time practicum with an Edmonton employer in the construction industry.

Upon completion of Constructing Futures, participants will:
• Possess a Project Leadership Certificate, issued by NAIT
• Have increased technical knowledge and practical skills in construction project management
• Be more aware of Canadian standards, work place norms and expectations
• Have achieved “Canadianization” of knowledge and skills brought to Canada
• Have more effective Canadian business communication skills and computer skills
• Have increased awareness of Canadian labour market trends and the ability to conduct a successful job search
• Have increased employment prospects in the field of construction project management

Program Length:
6 months

Intake Dates:
Please contact for intake dates.

Pre-Requisites/Eligibility Requirement:
In order to be considered for the program, applicants must:
1. Be a graduate of a recognized degree program from an international institution and have work experience in the construction field;
2. Have a minimum Canadian Language Benchmarks for Academics (CLBA) score of 6 in Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing;
3. Be an Alberta resident, and submit immigration status documents;
4. Be unemployed, underemployed; or receiving Employment
Insurance (EI) or are eligible for EI Reachback;
5. Demonstrate readiness, willingness, and ability to complete the full 6 months of programming;
6. Submit and pass a Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) assessment to appraise technical and project management background and submit documented evidence;
7. Pass an interview with a panel of trustees that includes representatives from NAIT, the project management industry, and Constructing Futures programming.
Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers:

Engineers’ and Technologists’ Integration Program (ETIP)
► Alberta Works Funded

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Target group:
Open to immigrants who are permanent residents or Canadian Citizens who hold a degree from an international institution and have considerable experience in the field of engineering.

Program Description:
The main objective of the ETIP is to develop the participants' engineering business communication proficiency, enhance their previously learned technological knowledge and skills to Canadian standards, and gain Canadian accreditation as engineering technologists. The program works with APEGA (the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta) to begin the application process for registration.

ETIP is a partnership between EMCN, NAIT and ASET. Each partner contributes as follows:

- EMCN provides the business communication and Canadian workplace culture training, computer training, and labour market/job search strategy training and supported job search;
- NAIT provides the fast-track engineering technology training
- ASET provides a Technologist-in-Training Membership

Upon completing of ETIP, participants will:
- Have increased technical knowledge and practical skills
- Be more aware of Canadian standards, workplace norms and expectations
- Have achieved “Canadianization” of the knowledge and skills brought to Canada
- Have professional recognition in areas of expertise
- Communicate more effectively
- Have increased computer skills including MS Office, MS Project and AutoCAD
- Have increased awareness of Canadian labour market trends and the ability to conduct a successful job search
- Possess Technologist-in-Training Membership in ASET
- Increased employment prospects in the field of expertise in Canada
- Financial independence and increased self-esteem

Program Length:
11 months

Intake Dates:
Please contact for intake dates.

Pre-Requisites/Eligibility Requirement:
In order to be considered for the program, applicants must:
1. Be a graduate of a recognized Engineering Degree program from outside of Canada
2. Be unemployed, underemployed; or on Employment Insurance (EI).
3. Submit and pass a Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) assessment developed by ASET to appraise the applicant's technological background
4. Pass the English language proficiency requirement according to the Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLBA); with a minimum test result of (CLB 6+) in Speaking, Listening, Reading, and Writing
5. Submit immigration status documents—a Permanent Resident (PR card), IMM 2000 or recent Canadian Citizenship card
6. Pass an interview with a panel of trustees that includes a representative from NAIT, the ETIP Coordinator, and an engineering industry representative