

Pathway to Permanent Residency
Alberta Immigrant Nominee Program (AINP)
Alberta Opportunity Stream (AOS)-Paper based
(Post-Graduation Work Permit Holder)

An outline of the process



For more details, please visit the [immigration section](#) on the Government of Alberta website as well as the [Provincial Nominee Program](#) section through Immigration Refugee and Citizenship Canada.

Education requirements

To apply through the AINP program, a student must possess a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) held by a graduate of an [Alberta Advanced Education publicly funded post-secondary institution](#)

- If you were admitted and enrolled at Bow Valley College **after April 1, 2019**, your education credentials must comprise one of the following:
 - Completion of a post-graduate certificate (minimum one year in length & your occupation must also be related to your previous post-secondary field of study outside Canada.) **OR**
 - Completion of a diploma program (minimum 2 years in length)

Please note, a one-year entry level certificate is NOT eligible

Work experience requirements

- Students must possess a minimum of 6 months full-time work experience in Alberta within the last 18 months
- This occupation must be related to your current program of study
- Student must have full-time employment, with a minimum of 30 hours a week
- Your current occupation must also match your work experience at the time your application is postmarked, and at the time that AINP assesses your application
- Possess valid Post Graduate Work Permit (please refer above for PGWP guidelines)
- Please ensure you are not working in an ineligible occupation (see below for further details)

Ineligible occupations

Your application through the AINP program may be denied if your occupation falls under the *ineligible occupation* list. Please refer to the Government of Alberta website, to determine if your occupation is eligible.

Ineligible occupation group 1 <https://www.alberta.ca/ainp-selection-criteria.aspx>

Ineligible occupation group2 (High-wage and low-wage occupations in the province of Alberta)
<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/foreign-workers/refusal.html#h2.2-h3.2>

If your job is one from these lists, you are not qualified for AINP-AOS.

Job offer requirements

Your job offer must meet the following requirements:

- The job offer is provided from a business operating **in Alberta**.
- The job offer must be for continuous, full time (minimum 30 hours a week), paid work
- The job offer must offer employment for 12 months or more
- Must work in your current occupation
- The job offer must provide wages and benefits that meet provincial minimum wage

Requirements - Language

Student applying through AINP must possess a minimum language proficiency. This may be proved through one of the following:

- CELPIP General or IELTS General
- Official Test results must be less than 2 years old
- NOC 0, A, B: CLB 5 (each band) / NOC C, D: CLB 4 (each band)
- AINP under NOC 3413 (Nurse aides, orderlies and patient service associates) – CLB 7 (each band)

For information about this planned change in language requirements, read the [AOS planned changes](#) section. Check the [federal guideline on CLB/NCLC equivalency](#) for each of the tests.

How to Apply

Please visit the [Government of Alberta](#) website to obtain forms and verify the requirements.

Download the [Alberta Opportunity Stream document checklist](#) to complete the application.

Complete the forms with original signatures and send all documents by registered mail to

Alberta Opportunity Stream

Alberta Immigrant Nominee Program

Government of Alberta

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National Occupational Classification(NOC)

The NOC system is Canada's national system of organizing and describing occupations.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/express-entry/eligibility/find-national-occupation-code.html>

The four digits NOC codes provide information for a particular occupation, including: the occupation's required skill level, job description, and educational requirements.

Please find out your [NOC code](#) first before you prepare applications.

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