

# **Cross Country Overview of PNP Immigration**

<u>Course Summary:</u> This course will provide and overview of several options to apply for Canadian permanent residence through provincial programs. The instructors will sample a number of programs from Ontario, Quebec, Alberta and Nova Scotia (including the Atlantic Immigration Pilot). This will include discussions of employer-driven and strategic-recruitment programs, as well as Express Entry and non-Express Entry streams. The instructors will also discuss some generalities regarding choosing provincial immigration routes and general tips for immigration practitioners.

### **Course Outline:**

- 1. Introduction and generalities
  - Why pick a provincial permanent residence program?
    - Quebec mandatory route
    - Other provinces/territories PNP programs as an alternative to Federal options?
  - What to screen for in initial client consultations?
  - Processing times generally
  - Quick overview of available programs under Express Entry

#### 2. Ontario

- Online intake
- New Expression of Interest System
- Employer/Job Offer streams
  - Foreign Worker Stream
  - International Student Stream
  - o In-Demand Skills Stream
- Human Capital streams
  - Master's Students
  - PhD Graduates
  - Express Entry streams



## 3. Quebec

- The Canada-Quebec Accord and provincial particularities
  - Steps and responsibilities
  - Quotas
- Temporary Immigration
  - Temporary foreign workers
    - CAQ (Certificat d'acceptation du Québec Travailleurs étrangers)
    - LMIA: Simplified Process for Quebec
  - Temporary foreign students
    - CAQ (Certificat d'acception du Québec Étudiants étrangers)
- Permanent Immigration
  - Gens d'affaires (Business People)
  - Foreign Skilled Workers (Regular Stream)
  - Foreign Skilled Workers (Programme de l'expérience québécoise PEO)
  - Foreign Students / Graduates (Regular Stream)
  - Foreign Students / Graduates (Programme de l'expérience québécoise - PEQ)
- Integration and francisation

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- 4. Atlantic Immigration Pilot
  - 3 steps for an application
  - Stream requirements
    - o Atlantic International Graduate Program
    - Atlantic High-Skilled Program
    - Atlantic Intermediate-Skilled Program
  - Processing Times

#### 5. Nova Scotia

- Nova Scotia Experience: Express Entry Stream
- Skilled Worker Stream of the Nova Scotia Nominee Program
- Entrepreneur Stream of the Nova Scotia Nominee Program



### 6. Alberta

- · Online intake
- Exclusion of representatives
- Streams for workers
  - Alberta Opportunity Stream
  - o Alberta Express Entry Stream
- Streams for entrepreneurs
  - o International Graduate Entrepreneur Immigration Stream
  - o Foreign Graduate Start-Up Visa Stream
  - o Self-Employed Farmer Stream

#### 7. Post-nomination

- Application for permanent residence
  - o EE vs. non-EE streams
  - Work permit application and extension of status as a worker
- Internal Review or Reconsideration
- Obligation to live in the province following nomination
- 8. Questions and answers