# ONTARIO IMMIGRANT NOMINEE PROGRAM



### PATHWAYS TO PERMANENT RESIDENCE

There are many ways to immigrate to Canada on a temporary or permanent basis. While the Government of Canada makes the final decision to approve immigrants through all immigration programs, the **Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (OINP)** complements the Government of Canada's economic immigration programs. The OINP recognizes and nominates people for permanent residence who have the skills and experience the Ontario economy needs.



Ontario is a destination of choice in Canada and welcomes the **highest number of immigrants** each year.



More than **8,000** nominations are provided each year through the OINP to applicants and their families, from over **120** countries.



Nominees have experience in occupations ranging from technology to teaching to agriculture and skilled trades.

### THERE ARE **TWO WAYS** INDIVIDUALS MAY QUALIFY AND APPLY TO THE OINP

## 1 CREATE A PROFILE IN CANADA'S EXPRESS ENTRY CANDIDATE POOL

Individuals with a profile in the Government of Canada's Express Entry System may receive a Notification of Interest from the OINP, inviting you to apply for a nomination through one of the following Ontario Express Entry streams:

- **Human Capital Priorities stream** for workers with the required work experience, education and language proficiency in French OR English.
- French-Speaking Skilled Worker stream for workers with the required work experience, education and language proficiency in French AND English.
- **Skilled Trades stream** for workers with work experience in Ontario in an eligible trade occupation.

In order to be considered for a nomination through the OINP, be sure to keep your profile up to date with your most current work experience, language tests and education.

#### **CONTACT OINP**

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## SUBMIT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) TO THE OINP

Once you ensure that you are eligible for your stream of interest, you can create a profile in the OINP e-Filing Portal and then register an expression of interest. After registering your EOI, you may receive an invitation to apply at which point you may submit an application to the program for the following streams:



### **EMPLOYER JOB OFFER STREAMS**

Individuals who have a full-time and permanent job offer from a qualifying employer in Ontario can apply for a nomination through the Employer Job Offer (EJO) category.

- EJO: Foreign Worker stream for workers in skilled positions
- EJO: International Student stream for recent graduates in Ontario
- **EJO: In-Demand Skills stream** for intermediate skilled workers in eligible occupations



#### **ENTREPRENEUR STREAM**

Individuals from outside Canada looking to implement a new business idea or buy and grow an existing business in Ontario can submit an expression of interest and may be invited to apply to the **Entrepreneur stream.** 

- Additional points are awarded to applicants who intend to invest and reside in small or medium-sized communities across Ontario.
- Foreign entrepreneurs can be nominated for permanent residence once their business has been successfully established in Ontario.



Nominees with a job offer and approved entrepreneurs will receive a work permit support letter from the OINP. This allows nominees and their families to settle and work in Ontario while they are either applying for permanent residence or establishing their business in Ontario.



### MASTERS AND PhD GRADUATE STREAMS

Recent graduates who have completed their degrees in Ontario can apply to the **Master's Graduate stream** or the **PhD Graduate stream**.

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