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TRENT INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE WELCOME





Introductions

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Trent International

www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international



Who is Trent International (TI)?



The central support office for all international students at Trent.

Located in Champlain College 302

Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm ET

Email: international@trentu.ca

Phone: 705-748-1011 ext 1314

Our website:

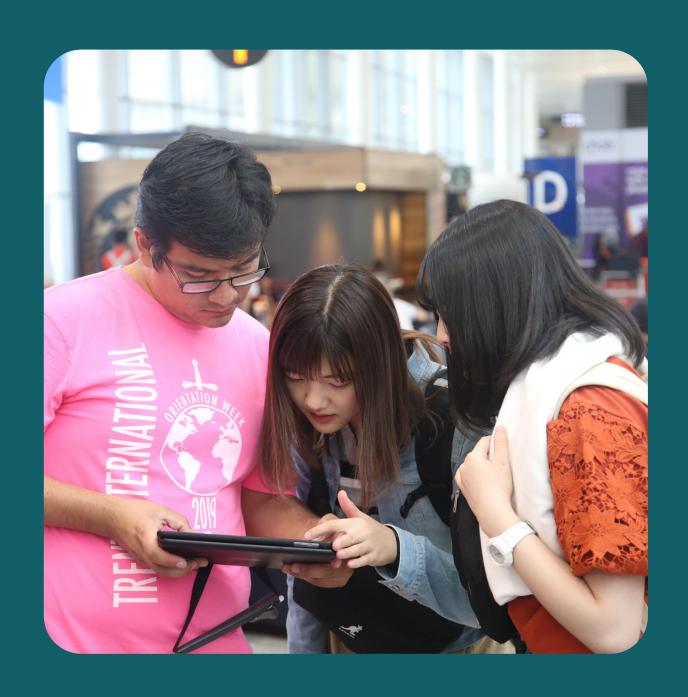
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Trent International Services



- Pre-Arrival support and arrival support
- Orientation and ongoing transition support
- Health insurance administration (UHIP)
- Study abroad opportunities
- International student-specific workshops
- Immigration advising
- Social events and cultural celebrations



Your First Weeks



During the first few weeks of class, our international staff are here to support you with your international student transition. They can provide information on how to:

- Determine where to obtain essential items
- Understand banking in Canada
- Obtain a Social Insurance Number
- Immigration questions
- Connect with other international students

Look for the bright RED t-shirts on campus!

Visit <u>www.trentu.ca/orientationweek</u> to see the international sessions and events!



Social Insurance Number Sessions and Clinics



Peterborough

- September 13 in CC201 9:30AM 3:30PM SIN appointments
- September 14 in CC303 9:30AM 3:30PM SIN appointments

Durham

- September 6 in DRA125 2:00PM 3:00PM SIN Information Session
- September 7 A105 10:00AM to 3:00PM SIN appointments

Ongoing Transition Support



Trent International also hosts a <u>transition series</u> for international students.

Some of the topics that will be covered, include:

- Transitioning to Life in Canada
- Filing Your Income Taxes
- Finding Off-Campus Housing
- Preparing for the Canadian Winter
- Marketing your International Skills
- Extending Your Study Permit
- The Post-Graduation Work Permit Program



www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international/international-student-information-sessions

Immigration

www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international/immigration



What is a study permit?



- A <u>study permit</u> is an immigration document issued by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada which defines your status in Canada as a temporary resident and student.
- Has specific conditions and requirements such responsibility to keep study permit valid, actively pursue studies, make reasonable progress toward completion of studies, working conditions [R186(f) and (v)].
- It is not an entry document.
- Your study permit cannot expire while studying in Canada extend it 4-6 months prior to expiry.
- Ensure study permit is valid until your degree is audited (end of September, January, or May) if not, extend 6 months prior to expiry



Entry Documents



- Entry documents authorize entry into Canada.
- The entry document you require is dependent on your country/territory of residence.
 - Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)
 - required for residents of <u>visa requiring counties</u>
 - stamped in passport
 - electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)
 - required for <u>visa exempt travellers</u>
 - electronically linked to passport
- Can expire, but remain in Canada until you obtain a new one
 - or will not be permitted re-entry



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Governme of Canada Gouvernement

Status: eTA approved

Name:

Passport number : eTA number :

Expiration: 2022/06/15

Your application for an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) has been approved. You are now authorized to travel to Canada by air.

When you travel to Canada, you will need to bring the passport you used to apply for your eTA, as the eTA is electronically linked to it. Should you obtain a new passport, you will need to apply for a new eTA. Airline check-in staff and the Canada Border Services Agency will have electronic access to your eTA status using your passport.

Working in Canada



- As a graduate student, you may be permitted to work while you are in Canada.
- Must be:
 - Full-time enrolled
 - Have study permit conditions noted on your study permit (R186)
 - Have a valid Social Insurance Number to be eligible to work.
- Regular Academic Session (fall/winter/summer):
 - Eligible to work 20 hours per week off campus
 - Eligible to work full-time on-campus
- Regularly Scheduled Breaks:
 - Permitted to work full-time during a regularly scheduled break and were a full-time student before and after the scheduled break.
 - A scheduled break refers to any break noted in the Trent Graduate Academic Calendar.

After Graduation: PGWP



- When you complete your studies, you have 90 days or until the expiry of your study permit, whichever comes first, to change to a new temporary resident status or leave Canada.
- <u>The Post-Graduation Work Permit Program</u> (PGWPP) allows recent graduates who studied full-time to receive a one-time open work permit (not employer specific + anywhere in Canada) that is valid up to 3 years.
- Must wait for confirmation of graduation email from Registrar's Office to apply (mid-September, May or January depending on completion date).
- Qualifying work experience gained under a PGWP can contribute to a pathway to permanent residence through the Express Entry program.
- Ensure study permit is valid until end of Sept, May or Jan (depending on completion date).

Trent International Immigration Support



- Attend an "Ask an Immigration Advisor" Live chat
- Attend an Immigration Webinar or Tutorial
- Visit our Trent International website for immigration resources, application tutorials and session registration <u>www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/immigration</u>
- Book an appointment >www.trentu.ca/sep>Appointment Bookings> Trent International>Immigration Advising.

Academic Skills	Careerspace	Academic Advising	Trent International
Online submission or in-person instruction Research papers, lab reports & essays Time management & study skills Grammar & documentation Math skills & more	Career counselling Work search coaching Explore further education options Resume, cover letter & LinkedIn profile critiques Interview preparation Weekly workshops: See the Peterborough Campus Event Calendar (Student Experience Portal) to register	Academic Goal Setting Educational planning Selecting/changing your major Review your academic status & degree requirements Academics & life issues, referrals, resources NOTE: If the calendar is blank, this means our appointments are booked. New appointments are opened up daily, please check back the following day after 9:00am EST.	International Student Wellness Advising Study Abroad Advising Online & Telephone appointments available Cultural adjustment, Immigration documents & transition Internationalizing your degree International Student Academic & Immigration Advising

Ask an Immigration Advisor Live Chat



Have immigration questions relating to study permits, entry visas, working conditions, course-load requirements, or the Post-Graduation Work Permit Program?

Join our "Ask an Immigration Advisor" live chat!

Live chats are hosted virtually every other Monday at 10:00am ET

Register on our website:

<u>www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international/international-student-information-sessions</u>



Immigration Webinars/Tutorials



Attend one of our upcoming Immigration webinars or tutorials:

- Immigration 101 Sept 16 @ 12pm
- Study Permit Working Conditions Sept 30 @ 1pm
- Extend Your Study Permit Oct 14 @ 11am
- Apply for an Entry Visa from within Canada Oct 28 12pm
- The Post-Graduation Work Permit Program Nov 11 @ 11am
- Apply for a Post-Graduation Work Permit Nov 25 @ 1pm
- Restore your Student Status in Canada Dec 9 @ 12pm

Register on our website:

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Health Insurance

www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international/health-insurance



Your Health Insurance Policies



All international students at Trent have two (2) health insurance policies that work together to provide comprehensive coverage:

- (1) <u>University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP)</u> card sent to Trent email in September
- (2) Trent Student Benefits download card from studentvip.ca

Automatically registered in these policies as of September 1 based on course registration.

If you have a medical emergency, you do NOT need your proof of health insurance cards to access care. Call 911 or visit your nearest hospital and an invoice will be given to you at the end of your visit. We can support you in making a claim to your insurance after the visit.

Policies Overview



UHIP (University Health Insurance Plan)

Primary Health Plan

Insurance Provider: Cowan Insurance

Enrolment Administrator: Trent International

- Medical doctors
- Hospital services
- Emergencies
- Diagnostic testing (e.g., X-ray, lab tests)
- Pregnancy

Coverage details & limits:

www.uhip.ca/Enrollment/PlanDetails

Email: international@trentu.ca Phone: 705-748-1011 et 1314

Trent Student Benefits

Extended Health & Dental Benefits Plan

Insurance Provider: Medavie Blue Cross

Enrolment Administrator: TCSA



- Eye exams, eyeglasses and contacts lenses
- Dental care
- Physiotherapy, chiropractor, other etc.
- Accident & Travel

Coverage details & limits:

www.studentvip.ca

Email: benefits@trentcentral.ca

Phone: (705) 748-1000

Staying Scam Smart

www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/fraud-scams



Staying Safe





Pretend I am coming to visit your home country...

What common scams would you warn me about?



Staying Safe



- All students can be victims of scams, but international students are more vulnerable because you are new to Canada
- International students have more at risk and fear getting in trouble with the Government of Canada or being deported. Scammers use this to their advantage.
- Never give your personal information to a stranger
- No employer, government agency, or police will ask you to send money over the phone or through email or threaten to deport you.
- Be suspicious of any communication which seems strange or threatening: THINK, TALK, REACT
- If in doubt, ask someone in Trent International!







Examples of Common Scams in Canada



Scammer posing as a landlord asks for money before viewing the apartment. They often say they are out of the country and want you to take care of the house while they are away and will charge low rent.

Receive a phone call from the police/Canadian Government agency indicating there is a warrant for your arrest and if you do not pay the fine you will be arrested or deported!



Receive emails or texts a job even though you did not apply for it. OR Asked to fill out a tax information form to get started when you have not accepted the offer yet.

Receive a phone or text message that says you won something, but you did not enter a contest. Often includes a "link to claim prize".

If you are a victim of a scam:



- Contact local police
- Contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre to file a complaint (1-888-495-8501)
- Share your story with others
- Contact Trent International for guidance! We are here to help.



New International Student Checklist

www.trentu.ca/currentstudents/international/new-international-students



New International Student Checklist



- 1. Note your study permit expiry will you need to extend?
- 2. Note your passport expiry will you need to renew?
- 3. Apply for a Social Insurance Number Service Canada
- 4. Understand your health insurance policies
- 5. Visit the Trent International Website
- 6. Contact Trent International for support
- 7. Get connected: @trentuinternational on instagram

Welcome to Trent!



Questions?







CONTACT US

Have questions? Please contact us!

Email: international@trentu.ca

Follow us on Instagram: @trentuinternational

