

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION CHECKLISTS:

PRE-APPLICATION:

- Start saving early,
- Narrow down your top requirements for your school
- Research what vaccinations you need to come to Canada
- Get your Aviation medical completed
- Make sure you have a valid passport and that it remains valid until after your anticipated graduation date.
- Get your English Language test completed – don't stop practicing!
- Get your high school and any other post secondary school transcripts ordered
- Ask for your letters of reference. Make sure to give them time to write a good reference without being rushed.
- Make sure you have proof of funds available in your name. Students are expected to have their full tuition and at least 10,000 per year available to them.
- Research cost of living and create a budget. If you are planning to work, make sure that you remember you are limited to 20 hours per week and that you know what wages you can expect with your experiences. Remember you will likely lose about 30% of your wages in tax deductions.

APPLICATION:

- Go to www.brandonflightcentre.com and select any of the international student application form buttons. Please do not use the domestic student form or you will have delays with your application.
- Complete the application form and upload all your documents
- You should have a response within 48 business hours (remember the admissions office is closed on Saturdays and Sundays, don't forget the time difference)
- If you have not heard back after 3 business days, or you have questions or need to change any information, follow up with learn@brandonflightcentre.com
- If there is a request for additional documentation, please forward it as soon as possible.
- Once informed of your acceptance, forward the funds for your deposit. Letter of acceptance will be delivered via email once BFC has received your funds.

ACCEPTANCE and TRAVEL PLANNING

- Apply for your student visa and study permit – please seek the advice of a certified immigration consultant if you need help.
- Review the Covid-19 readiness plan provided by Brandon Flight Centre and consult the resources listed for the most up to date information. Remember to ONLY consult official sources of information. Do not rely on information from social media or unofficial sources.
- Review the packing checklist, determine what you will bring and what you will source here in Canada (hint, try to pack light you will have to carry all of that through the airport when you come. Don't forget to check what is allowed through customs)
- Get your Travel Insurance
- Book your tickets – remember to inform BFC of your arrival time and coordinate your transportation from Brandon Airport to your short-term accommodations.
- Finalize your financing – make sure that you have access to funds while traveling. Make sure that your credit card provider if you have one knows you are traveling so your card isn't locked. Always carry some cash in case of an emergency.
- Book your short-term housing/quarantine housing if required.
- Review any changes to entry requirements often
- Apply for a SIN number
- Apply for an international driver license and check out car rentals if you are planning on driving
- Follow Brandon Flight Centre on social media and register for access to the student portal to stay in touch with all the news.

ARRIVAL:

Welcome to Canada!

- Notify your family that you made it safe, don't forget that first photo in Canada.
- If BFC is not meeting you at the airport, please make sure to notify them that you have arrived safe.
- If you are required to quarantine, please make sure to follow all public health guidelines. You can expect daily check ins from BFC staff but if you need anything please contact them at 204-728-7691 or learn@brandonflightcentre.com.
- Open a Canadian Bank Account – Check out the student portal for resources
- Apply for health insurance
- Look for long term housing if required
- Book your first flight at BFC
- Check out the City of Brandon – make sure to dress for the weather, whatever the season.