

Get the latest information from KPU International Advising!



December is the perfect time to gather, celebrate Christmas, and spread joy, happiness, and goodwill. Looking for festive activities? Visit the Vancouver Christmas Market to sing along to your favorite carols or win exciting prizes and check out the Eastside Flea Winter Market for coffee, food trucks, a fantastic playlist, cozy seating, and a delicious seasonal bar menu!

In this edition of our newsletter, we'll provide essential updates on recent IRCC rule changes, introduce the new PR series for international students, and share practical tips to help you prepare for the Spring 2025 semester.

IRCC Rule Changes for International Students

The <u>new regulations</u> under the International Student Program are now in effect, including the following updates:

- Eligible students can now work up to 24 hours per week off campus while their classes are in session.
- Students changing their Designated Learning Institution (DLI) will need to obtain a **new study permit**.



For any questions or additional information, feel free to consult an International Student Advisor.



New International Student Checklist

Congratulations on your acceptance to Kwantlen Polytechnic University! Are you now ready to start your journey at KPU as an international student in Spring 2025? Adjusting to a new academic life can feel overwhelming at first, but we're here to support you!

Make sure to review the New International Student Checklist, including applying for permits, registering for orientation, connecting with advisors, paying tuition, and familiarizing yourself with KPU resources, to complete all the essential steps for a smooth transition to KPU.

IRCC Virtual learning sessions on PR

This December, join a virtual Q&A series designed for international students interested in staying in Canada after graduation.

Explore the various pathways to Permanent Residence and get your questions answered.

- 1-hour sessions for Q&A on PR pathways.
- 11am-12pm, Thursdays, December 5/12/19
- Watch the **related video** before registering.

Don't miss this opportunity to plan your future in Canada!





KPU100 - Introduction to University

Prepare for your semester at KPU with KPU100!

This free, non-credit course offers interactive, self-paced learning, helping you build essential skills for academic success. Engage with faculty and peers in real-time sessions, complete daily activities, and receive personalized feedback to boost your confidence.

Multiple online cohorts are available during December 9-13, 2024, and January 6-10, 2025. New international students are encouraged to **register**.

Spring 2025 New Student Orientation

New Student Orientation is the perfect opportunity to explore KPU, discover essential services and resources, and connect with fellow students. You'll also receive helpful guidance from senior students to ensure a smooth start to your first semester at KPU.

International students **MUST attend the on-campus KPU** Welcomes You event and the International Online Live Orientation on Thursday, December 12, 2024, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM PST. Click here for more details!





KPU Campus Closure for the Holidays

All KPU campuses will be closed from December 21, 2024, to January 1, 2025, and will reopen on January 2, 2025. This holiday season is a time to reflect, relax, and enjoy the festive spirit. Explore local Christmas festivities and embrace the joy of the holidays!

If your Study Permit expires on December 31, 2024, or you have other inquiries, please contact the KPU International Advising Office before December 20, 2024, the date of our final online drop-in session this year.

Please contact us at KPU International if you have any questions or need support!

