

BC Provincial Nominee Program Skills Immigration and Express Entry BC

British Columbia is recognized globally as a preferred place to work, live, and immigrate. Our opportunities, geography, and enviable lifestyle attract highly trained individuals, entrepreneurs, and international students who want to make B.C. their home. These newcomers energize the province's strong and diverse economy, resulting in more opportunities for all British Columbians.

The B.C. technology sector is a major driver of economic growth in the province, with tech employment at its highest level ever recorded. The demand for talent in B.C.'s tech sector is increasing faster than supply.

In support of ministry priorities, the Tech Pilot under the BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) supports the attraction of skilled workers and helps satisfy the demand for in-demand tech talent by expanding the province's technology talent pool.

How does the BC PNP Tech Pilot support tech talent?

The BC PNP provides a permanent immigration pathway for highly trained talent from across the globe to come to B.C. to live, work, and raise a family.

The BC PNP Tech Pilot expedites applications from internationally trained workers and international students who have the critical skills, experience and qualifications needed by B.C.'s technology employers.

To apply, you need a job offer in one of the 29 key technology occupations from an eligible B.C. employer.

Job offer duration requirement updates as of June 26, 2018:

As of June 26, 2018, individuals who apply under a Skills Immigration category in an eligible tech occupation must have a job offer of at least one year (365 days) in length.

The job offer must have at least 120 days remaining at the time of application to the BC PNP. Longer duration job offers, including indeterminate job offers, will continue to be eligible.

Depending on your job, work experience and education, you can select the BC PNP category that is the best fit for you. For categories and more information, [please visit our website](#).



What does the BC PNP Tech Pilot offer?

- ✓ **Timeliness:** Weekly invitations to apply are issued to qualified skilled tech workers, minimizing the wait for you and your employer
- ✓ **Prioritization:** Tech applications are prioritized during processing to meet the sector's fast-paced demands
- ✓ **Service:** A dedicated BC PNP concierge for tech employers provides tailored information and navigation assistance of immigration programs and processes
- ✓ **Engagement:** Continuous support to tech sector employers through proactive engagement activities and participation at key industry events

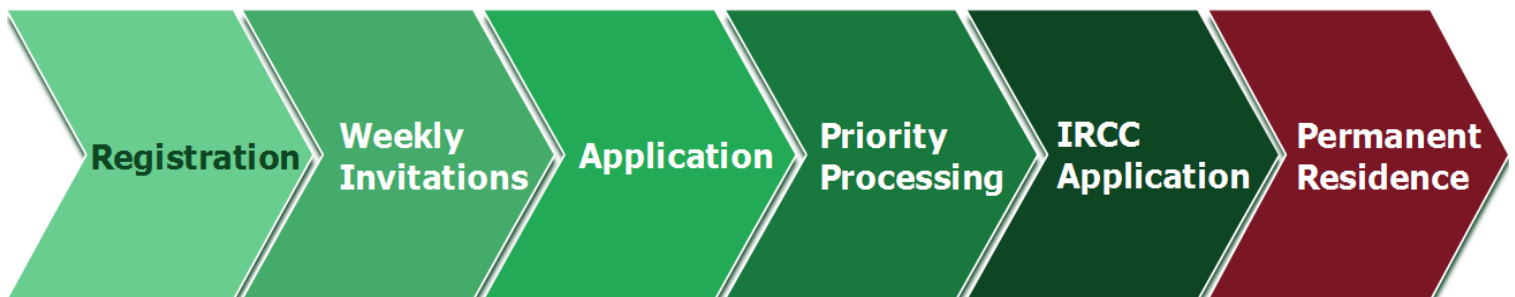
Additional benefits of the BC PNP:

Work permit support: If nominated, the BC PNP can provide a support letter to facilitate your application for a work permit, so you can begin working in the job you have been offered

LMIA not required: You can apply without a Labour Market Impact Assessment

Client support: You can contact the BC PNP at any stage in the process by phone, email, or in person

BC PNP Tech Pilot Process



This document is a high-level overview only. Please refer to the [program guide](#) for the most current and complete information.

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