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Info Sheet 2

Work without a work permit - Health care students

Foreign students in fields such as medicine, occupational and physical therapy, nursing and medical technology may do their clinical clerkships or short-term practicums in Canada. Written permission from the body that regulates the particular health field is required in order to ensure that Canadian health care students are placed for clinical practice first. The primary purpose of the practicum must be to acquire training; therefore these positions will often be unpaid and should not be of more than 4 months' duration.

Note: Persons entering to do this type of work are required to pass an immigration medical exam.

Prodecures

All applicants must submit the following:

- 1. A completed application form for a temporary resident visa and a copy of your passport. The application form *APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY RESIDENT VISA [IMM5257]* can be printed out from the following website address: www.cic.gc.ca/english/applications/visa.html
- 2. Only if you require a Temporary Resident Visa (check the list of countries requiring a Temporary Resident Visa under www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/), we need your original passport and the processing fee for a Temporary Resident Visa (see www.canada.de for current processing fee information).
- 3. Two passport-sized photographs (if we do not receive these, we cannot supply the medical examination forms).
- Copy of the letter (no e-mails) from the Canadian medical institution (usually a University or hospital confirming that they accept you for a clinical clerkship).
- 5. Proof of present occupation (matriculation statement for students, proof of employment for employees).
- 6. Two self-addressed return envelopes.
- 7. There are **NO** visa fees!

All applicants are then required to undertake a medical examination by a Canadian Government Designated Medical Practitioner. A list of Designated Medical Practitioners will be sent to you together with the medical forms on receipt of the completed application form and the photographs.

Upon receipt of satisfactory medical results, the Canadian Embassy in Berlin will send you a letter to present to the examining officer at the port of entry in Canada.

We advise applicants not to make travel arrangements prior to receiving this letter.

