

What is the IGRIP?

IGRIP stands for the “International Graduate Retention Incentive Program”, and it is administered by the Office of Immigration and Multiculturalism.

Eligible candidates are international students who have graduated from a recognized post secondary educational institution in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, who were nominated for Permanent Residency through the Provincial Nominee Program and who have been living and working in the province at least one year from the date of receiving permanent residency. These candidates may apply to receive a one-time payment ranging from \$1,000 - \$2,500 depending on the degree or diploma completed.

I was listed as a Principal Applicant on my Permanent Residency Application. My spouse was listed as my dependant, but I think he or she meets the IGRIP criteria as well. Can my spouse apply for the IGRIP?

Yes. Individuals who are listed as dependants on Canadian Permanent Residency applications can apply for the IGRIP, provided they meet the IGRIP criteria.

Can both myself and my spouse apply for the IGRIP?

Yes. Provided both individuals meet the program criteria, both are eligible for the IGRIP. In this case, please submit two separate applications.

The IGRIP criteria states that I must be working in Newfoundland and Labrador for at least 1 year after the date I received my Permanent Residency. What if I have been a Permanent Resident for a year, but have not been working for a full year in Newfoundland and Labrador?

Applicants must show a total of 1 year of living in the Province and a total of 1 year working in the Province in order to be eligible for the IGRIP program. In addition, applicants must also be currently living and working in the Province when they apply. For example, if you have been in the Province for 1 year as a Permanent Resident, but have only been working for 8 months, you must work a further 4 months in order to make up 1 year’s worth of work to be eligible.

Another example is an individual who has been working in the Province for 1 year or more, but has only been a Permanent Resident for 6 months. In this case, the individual must work an additional 6 months in order to meet the requirement of working in the province for 1 year as a Permanent Resident.

Why do I need to complete the PAYMENT FORM?

Completing the PAYMENT FORM will allow any IGRIP funds you are eligible for to be directly deposited into your bank account. This is the only method by which applicants can receive funds via the IGRIP program.

How do I properly complete the PAYMENT FORM?

Please fill out all sections highlighted in yellow. Under “Supplier Name”, please write your own name. You may have to contact your bank to get your “Bank Institution #”, “Bank Transit #” and “Account #”.