

# CMTN: PGWP-eligible Programs for International Applications

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**Important Notice:** IRCC has recently announced changes to the post-graduation work permit (PGWP) eligibility. As a result of the new PGWP- eligibility criteria from IRCC, the following Coast Mountain College programs are currently eligible for PGWP consideration, based on their Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) code alignment. Please check [IRCC page](#) for updates as the list may be updated without notice.

**Eligible CIP codes may be updated by IRCC without notice.** If codes change, it is our understanding that the PGWP-eligibility will be given based on the date that the student applied for their study permit or the current list, whichever is more favorable to the student.

We will make changes to this document as we become aware of IRCC changes. Always ensure that you have the most current document before making any decisions about your application.

This information is current as of February 6, 2025.

**PGWP-Eligible Programs available at CMTN:** (Eligible CIP codes may be changed by IRCC without notice.)

1. **Associate Degree in Science, Environmental Geosciences Specialization (CIP 30.4101)**  
(Two-year program – September 2025 intakes in Terrace, BC; and Prince Rupert, BC)
2. **Associate Degree in Arts, Criminology Specialization (CIP 45.0401)**  
(Two-year program – September 2025 intake, Terrace, BC)  
**Notes: i)** The program consists of 66 credits (two additional courses compared to other Associate Degree programs) and includes mandatory field schools, incurring extra costs and summer-term classes/summer field schools. As a result, some students may take slightly longer than two years for program completion.  
**ii)** Upon completing this associate degree, students can pursue careers in policing, corrections, courts, parole, intelligence agencies, or border services, though these roles typically require Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Residency (PR). International graduates can gain work experience in Canada through social support services or private security, building a foundation for future justice sector careers after obtaining PR status. Many graduates have found success in transitional housing, community support, and private security roles.
3. **Applied Coastal Ecology Diploma (CIP 26.1302)**  
(Two-year program – September 2025 intake, Prince Rupert BC)
4. **Applied Earth and Environmental Studies Certificate (CIP 03.0103)**  
(One-year program – September 2025 intakes in Terrace, BC; and Prince Rupert, BC)
5. **Criminology Diploma (CIP 45.0401)**  
(Two-year program – September 2025 intake, Terrace, BC)  
**Note:** Criminology programs can prepare graduates for careers in policing, corrections, courts, parole, intelligence agencies, or border services. However, these jobs usually require Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Residency (PR). International graduates can still gain valuable work experience in Canada on a work permit by working in social support services or private security. These roles can provide a strong foundation for future justice sector careers after obtaining PR status. Many international graduates from our Criminology Program have successfully worked in transitional housing, community support agencies, and private security.
6. **Early Childhood Care and Education Diploma (CIP 19.0709)**  
(Two-year program - September 2025 intake, Terrace, BC; and Smithers, BC)

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7. **Social Service Worker Diploma (CIP 44.0000)**  
(Two-year program – **September 2026** in Terrace, BC)  
**Note:** Program applications for September 2026 (Fall 2026) will open in October 2025 via [Education Planner BC](#) (an online application platform)
8. **Physical Sciences Certificate (CIP 40.0101)**  
(One-year program – September 2025 intakes in Terrace, BC; and Prince Rupert, BC)
9. **Practical Nursing (PN) (CIP 51.3901)**  
(Two-year program)
  - September 8, 2026 – Terrace, BC; and Smithers, BC
  - September 5, 2028 – Terrace, BC; and Prince Rupert, BC**Note:** The entry requirements for PN program are competitive. To be officially accepted, PNUR103 must be completed online or in person (if in-person sessions available) at CMTN, or through an equivalent course at another college (such as, TRU etc.) in addition to meeting all other admission requirements. For detailed information for international applicants, please click here: [International Resource & Forms](#)

## Other Programs Open to International Students but Are NOT Currently PGWP-Eligible:

This information is current as of January 29, 2025 and may be updated without notice. Please download a new version of this document to confirm the content before making any decisions about your application.

10. **West Coast Culinary Diploma**  
(August intake, Terrace, BC) \*very limited seats available.  
Not PGWP-eligible.
11. **Associate Degree in Arts, General Studies**  
(September and January intakes, Terrace, BC or Prince Rupert BC)  
Not PGWP-eligible.
12. **Associate Degree in Science, General Studies**  
(September intake only, Terrace, BC or Prince Rupert, BC)  
Not PGWP-eligible.
13. **Business Administration Diploma (any specialization)**  
(September intake, Terrace, BC, Smithers, BC or Prince Rupert, BC).  
Not PGWP-eligible.
14. **Post-Degree Diploma in Professional Accounting**  
(September 2025 intake, Terrace, BC)  
Not currently PGWP-eligible. CIP under IRCC review