

START-UP VISA PROGRAM

Canada is among the world's most welcoming countries, especially for foreign individuals who desire to develop a business in Canada, and places the country as the best place to build your business.

Among the many reasons are strong economic growth, low taxes, low business costs, excellence in research and innovation, and high quality of life.

Start-Up Visa program is a unique entrepreneurial program that allows opportunities for educated and qualified people to immigrate, reside and work legally in Canada.

The Start-Up Visa program attracts and connects immigrant entrepreneurs and investors with experienced private sector organizations with expertise in working with start-ups.

The program allows successful applicants to immigrate to Canada permanently without conditions regarding the success of their businesses.

Immigrant entrepreneurs must have the potential and skills to develop innovative businesses, create jobs in Canada, and compete globally.

WHO CAN QUALIFY FOR THE START-UP VISA PROGRAM?

To qualify for the Start-up Visa Program, you must meet all the four (4) eligibility requirements, which include the following:

- A qualifying business
 - A letter of support from a designated organization, e.g. An angel investor group, venture capital fund, or business incubator.
 - The language requirements of CLB 5+ in English or French, and
 - Enough money to settle and live in Canada before you make money from your business.
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- ❖ You can apply for a temporary work permit to get to Canada and start building your business while Immigration, Refugee and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) processes your permanent residence application.

For more information about the eligibility requirements for the Start-up Visa Program, click the link below:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/start-visa/eligibility.html#qual-business>

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