

## FEES EXEMPTIONS

2008-2009

### 1. Students Exempt from the International Premium

International Students are exempt from international student tuition premiums under certain conditions, as determined at the time of the student's enrolment in a college course or program of instruction. Exempt students as identified below, are to pay the regular, or high demand tuition fees and their enrolment is eligible for funding through the general purpose operating grant.

Categories of individuals exempt from international student premiums are as follows:

- Canadian citizen: a citizen of Canada as defined in the *Citizenship Act* or a person registered as an Indian as defined in the *Indian Act*.
- Permanent resident: a permanent resident as defined in the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*. For the purposes of this policy, a permanent resident is a person who has been admitted to Canada as a permanent resident and has not had this status revoked.
- Applicant who meets the eligibility requirements for permanent residency status: a person who has met all the preliminary requirements for permanent resident status and presents a copy of the letter that confirms that Citizenship and Immigration Canada has accepted his or her application for permanent resident status.
- Spouse or dependant of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. For purposes of this subsection, spouse or dependent status must be fully documented, and must have been established for a minimum of three years prior to the application for exemption.
- Protected person: A person who has been determined to be a Convention refugee or a person in need of protection by the Immigration and Refugee Board (IRB) or by the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration Canada. A student eligible for international fee exemption as a protected person is to present a protected person status document issued under section 31(1) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* or a "notice of decision" issued by the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration Canada or by the Immigration and Refugee Board.
- Applicant for Convention refugee status prior to 1989: a person admitted to and remaining in Canada, who applied for Convention refugee status prior to January 1, 1989, and his or her spouse and dependants. The applicant must provide documentation from Citizenship and Immigration Canada indicating that his or her application for Convention Refugee status was made prior to January 1, 1989, or a letter indicating his or her exemption from the requirement for employment authorization. All refugee claimants who applied for Convention refugee status prior to 1989 should have been issued this letter.

- Official visitor and family member and staff: an official visitor is a foreign representative who, with official accreditation from the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, has entered Canada or is in Canada to carry out official duties:
  - As a diplomatic agent or consular officer; or
  - As a government-accredited representative or official of a country other than Canada, of the United Nations or any of its agencies, or of any intergovernmental organizations of which Canada is a member.
  - A family member or a member of the staff of any official visitor is also exempt from international student tuition fees. This official visitor status must be indicated on the student's Visa/Passport.
- Foreign military and family members: a member of a foreign military force or of a civilian component thereof, admitted to Canada under the *Visiting Forces Act*, and the family members of such personnel.
- Institutional exchange student: a person admitted to and remaining in Canada under provisions of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, who is studying in Canada under a formal agreement between a provincially assisted institution in Ontario and a post secondary institution in another country, provided that, under such agreement, the number of places made available in post secondary educational institutions in Ontario normally equal the number of places made available to Ontario residents in the other country or institution as the case may be.
- Foreign worker and family members: a foreign worker is a foreign national who is authorized to work in Canada having been issued a work permit. For purposes of this category, a foreign worker is to present a valid work permit which names a Canadian employer situated in Ontario and the prospective occupation, and is valid for at least six months. The family member must present the foreign worker's work permit. If a student has a work permit without naming a specific employer situated in Ontario, the student and his/her family members are not exempted from international student fees.

Family members are defined consistent with the regulations under the Immigration and Refugees Protection Act for purposes of exemption as:

- a spouse or common-law partner;
- a dependent child, or the dependent child of a spouse or common-law partner, visa must note any relationship claimed; and
- a dependent child of the dependent child referred to above. Visa must note any relationship claimed. Children of common-law spouses must have been claimed on the previous year's income tax.

A dependent child is a child who is a biological child who has not been adopted by a person other than the spouse or common-law partner, or an adopted child, and who is in one of the following situations of dependency:

- under age 22 and not a spouse or common-law partner.

- enrolled continuously at a college, university, or other educational institution and dependent substantially on the financial support of the parent since before age 22 or since becoming a spouse or common-law partner if that occurred before age 22; or
- a person with a disability who has been financially supported substantially by his or her parents, and who is unable to be self-supporting because of the disability. Documentation of disability and inability to be self-supporting must be provided.

Where changes to federal legislation and regulation immigration and refugee status are in conflict with the fee exemption eligibility requirements described in this document, federal legislation and regulation are to take precedence.

If a requirement for fee exemption eligibility is met partway through a semester, the exemption is to apply to the next semester of the student's enrolment.

*Note: If the student fails to provide documentation to the college for an exemption situation that occurred prior to the start of the term, the exemption will become effective in the next/subsequent term.*

Where the status of a student who was eligible for exemption from international tuition fees changes partway through his or her program of instruction due to circumstances beyond the student's control (e.g., as in the case of the dependant of a diplomat whose parent is reassigned to another country), the exemption is to continue while the student completes the original courses or program of instruction for which he or she was granted exemption from international student fees. The continuation of the fee exemption does not apply to any other course or program of instruction that the student may undertake following completion of the original course or program.

## **2. Students Exempt from the Student Activity, Sports, and Student Centre Building Fees**

- 2.1** Students whose programs call for off-campus study for the whole term – Co-op or clinical placement programs, for example – pay only 10% of these fees for that particular term.

### *Co-op Programs:*

Students co-operative option of the following programs pay \$16.80 per work term.

6148X Bachelor of Applied Arts - Interior Design  
6066X Bachelor of Applied Business - e-Business Supply Chain Management  
6443X Bachelor of Applied Technology – Photonics  
0306X Business  
0216G Business Administration - International Business  
0216L Business Administration - Materials and Operations Management  
0178X Computer Engineering Technology  
0006X Computer Engineering Technology - Computing Science  
0336X Computer Programmer  
0150X Computer Systems Technician  
0008X Electronics Engineering Technology  
0044X Electronics Engineering Technician  
1210X Golf and Ski Operations Management  
3002X Internet Application Programmer  
6783X Outdoor Adventure Naturalist

*Programs with Clinical Placements or Project Placements:*

3005X Advanced Care Paramedic, Level 3  
0662X Registered Nurse – Refresher, Level 2  
0606X Respiratory Therapy, Level 5, Level 6  
1182X Technical Writer, Level 3

- 2.2** Students whose programs call for five or fewer weeks of on-campus study in a given term – a term, for example, that includes a work placement of 10 weeks or more – pay only 35% of the fees for that particular term.

0620X Paramedic, Level 4  
1704X Practical Nursing, Level 4

- 2.3** Students in Non-Post-Secondary programs (e.g. BTSD) are exempt from the Student Activity, Sports and Student Centre Building Fees.

**3. Students Exempt from the Graduation and Transcript Fees**

Non-Post-Secondary programs, for example ESL 0800X, 0811X and 0812X, are exempt from the Graduation Fee and Transcript Fee.

**4. Off-Campus Programs**

College programs offered off-campus may be eligible for an exemption to the Information Technology Fee.

**5. Students Exempt from the Health Services Fee**

Students in weekend offerings of full-time programs do not pay the Health Services Fee.

**6. Exception to the Information Technology Fee for CE Courses**

Exceptions to the Information Technology Fee for CE courses must be presented to the Vice President Academic's office for approval by the Vice President Academic.

**7. Apprenticeship Programs**

Apprenticeship programs other than the Co-op Diploma Apprenticeship programs are exempt from all ancillary fees, with the exception of the Information Technology Fee.