

MORE INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

CLI College: Supporting Your Success

CLI College fosters a welcoming environment with dedicated faculty and staff committed to the academic success of all students, including international students. We offer a variety of resources designed to support you throughout your academic journey, both on and off campus.

Beyond Academics:

We recognize that academic success goes hand-in-hand with a balanced lifestyle. Take time to explore your new city, Calgary, using the resources below. Develop a healthy routine, build friendships, and enjoy your leisure time.

Currently, only programs offered in Calgary are eligible for international study permits.

Explore Your New Alberta City: Calgary or Edmonton!

Calgary:

- Download the City of Calgary Newcomers Guide (PDF): link to Calgary Newcomers Guide:
<https://www.calgary.ca/newcomers/documents/becoming-calgarian/newcomers-guide.pdf>
- Learn about Calgary Community Services: link to Calgary Community Services:
<https://www.calgary.ca/our-services/csps.html>
- Explore Calgary Social Programs & Services: link to Calgary Social Programs & Services: <https://www.calgary.ca/social-services.html>

Edmonton:

- Download the City of Edmonton Newcomers Guide :
https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/for_new_residents/newcomers-guide
- Explore Edmonton Community Services:
https://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/city_organization/community-services
- Learn about Edmonton Social Programs & Services:
https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/for_communities/family-community-support-services-program

CLI College Alberta Resources:

These resources are available to all CLI College Alberta students, regardless of campus location:

- International Student Policy (link can be added here)
- Student Health and Wellness Services
- Student Arrival & Orientation

Arrival and Orientation:

Upon request, a member of our team can welcome you at the airport upon your arrival in Alberta (Calgary or Edmonton). All new students are required to attend a full-day orientation to familiarize themselves with the campus, program, and resources available.

Employment Opportunities for International Students at CLI College Alberta

Work authorization for international students is subject to specific eligibility criteria established by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).

Eligible Students:

- Students enrolled in programs leading to a certificate, diploma, or degree (excluding programs under 6 months).
- Students can work on or off campus:
 - Up to 20 hours per week during regular academic sessions (part-time).
 - Full-time during scheduled breaks (e.g., winter, summer holidays).

Ineligible Programs:

- Language programs (English/French as a Second Language).
- Academic upgrading (secondary education equivalency).
- Programs under 6 months leading to a certificate, diploma, or degree.

Comprehensive details regarding work authorization for international students in Canada can be found on the IRCC website [[link to IRCC work permit for students webpage](#)].

Getting Around and Connecting with Your Community at CLI College Alberta

Transportation:

No matter which CLI College Alberta campus you choose, you'll benefit from a convenient location and easy access to public transportation:

- **Calgary Campus:** The Calgary campus boasts a central location with a variety of transportation options readily available. This includes public transit (Calgary Transit) and car sharing services.
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- **Edmonton Campus:** (The Edmonton campus is also centrally located with transportation options - likely including Edmonton Transit System (ETS), car sharing services and Bus transit similar options from Edmonton to Calgary).

Community Engagement:

Both Calgary and Edmonton offer a vibrant community spirit. Most neighborhoods have community associations that host activities and events, providing excellent opportunities to connect with new people and immerse yourself in local life. Explore the resources offered by your neighborhood association – it's a fantastic way to get involved and feel at home in your new city!

Post-Graduation Work Permit:

Important Note: As per current Government of Canada regulations, students at private career colleges are not eligible for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP).

Handy Phone Numbers for Calgary Life!

Here are some essential phone numbers to keep on hand during your time in Calgary:

311 - City of Calgary Helpline:

Need info about city services or want to report something? 311 is your one-stop shop!

- Report things like snow drifts, broken streetlights, or noisy neighbors.
- Need help in a language other than English? Just tell them your language at the beginning, and they'll connect you with a translator.

211 - Community and Social Resources:

Life throws curveballs sometimes. If you need help finding food, financial assistance, mental health support, or other social services, 211 can connect you with the resources you need. Plus, they offer free translation services, so you can get help in your preferred language.

811 - Health Link Alberta:

Feeling under the weather but not sure if it's a doctor visit or just a case of the sniffles? Call 811 and speak to a registered nurse for free! They can offer advice, diagnose your illness, and let you know if you need to see a doctor or can recover at home. Translation services are also available here.

Handy Phone Numbers for Edmonton Life!

Getting settled in Edmonton? Here are some essential phone numbers to keep on your phone:

311 - City of Edmonton Helpline:

311 is your one-stop shop for all things City of Edmonton! Whether you need information about city services, want to report a pothole, or have a question about your recycling schedule, 311 has you covered. Plus, they offer translation services in over 100 languages, so you can get the help you need in your preferred language.

- Report issues like potholes, damaged park equipment, or noisy neighbors.
- Need to know about upcoming road closures or special events? Call 311!
- Lost your pet? Found someone else's? 311 can help connect you.

211 - Alberta Community Link:

Life can be unexpected. If you're facing challenges and need help finding resources like food banks, financial assistance, mental health support, or other social services, 211 can connect you with the organizations that can help. They also offer free translation services, ensuring you can access the support you need in your preferred language.

811 - Health Link Alberta:

Feeling a bit under the weather? 811 is a free service where you can speak with a registered nurse. They can offer advice, diagnose minor illnesses, and let you know if you need to see a doctor or can recover at home. Translation services are available here as well, so you can get the healthcare advice you need in your preferred language.