Studying in Canada and plan on travelling?

Make sure you have an Electronic Travel
Authorization before boarding a flight to Canada.



If you are an international, visiting, or exchange student in Canada from a visa-exempt country (other than the U.S.), make sure you have an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA). Otherwise, you may get stuck at the airport when flying to or transiting through Canada.

What is an eTA and why do I need it?

An eTA is an entry requirement for citizens from countries, other than the U.S., that do not need a visa to come to Canada. It is electronically linked to your passport and is valid for five years or until your passport expires.

Do I need an eTA if I already have a study permit?

Yes. A study permit is not a travel document. However, as of August 1, 2015, eTAs are automatically issued with approved study permits. As well, starting May 1, 2017, an eTA will also be automatically issued to you when you renew your permit. If you do not already have a valid eTA, you will need to apply for one separately only if:

- your permit was issued before August 1, 2015;
- you renewed your permit before May 1, 2017;

or

 you got a new passport since you received or renewed your permit.

How do I apply for an eTA?

Applying for an eTA is a simple online process that takes minutes to complete. To apply, you need:

- a valid passport
- a credit or a debit card (\$7 CAD fee)
- an email address

Apply now or learn more at **Canada.ca/eTA**.

Note: * Students from visa-exempt countries coming to Canada for a short-term study program (less than 6 months) do not need a study permit, but will need to apply for an eTA to be able to board a flight to Canada.



