



Canada

Start-Up Visa Program

Canada is the second-largest country in the world as well as one of the wealthiest. It is regularly voted as one of the best countries to live in and is known for its high standard of living, an open and tolerant culture, a clean environment, and a low crime rate. It is also a place where a good lifestyle and a high-quality education system are affordable.

Population: 38.5 million

Languages: English, French

Economy: Advanced, market-based

Currency: Canadian dollar

Program overview

- Processing time of 12–31 months
- Permanent residence in Canada, with the right to live, work, and study in the country (except in Quebec)

Key benefits



High standard of living



Affordable, high-quality education and healthcare



Multicultural, tolerant, and vibrant cities



Excellent place to do business, with access to the entire North American market



Family included in the application



Minimal application requirements, with no age restriction, no net worth, and no higher education needed




Eligibility for citizenship after three years (or 1,095 days) of physical presence out of a five-year period



Procedures

Clients are required to prepare and submit a business proposal, which needs to be approved by a designated government business organization. Once approved, you will receive a letter of support, allowing you and your family to apply for permanent residence. In order to maintain permanent resident status, physical presence for two out of five years (or 730 days) in Canada is required.

- 1 Client contacts *Henley & Partners*
- 2 We advise on the best program for you and your family
- 3 Onboarding and preparation of application takes place
- 4  You are granted your new residence rights
- 5 We will continue to support you

Main applicant requirements



English or French language proficiency at the CLB/IELTS 5 level



Good health



No criminal record

In addition, applicants are required to propose an innovative, scaling start-up business, approved by a designated organization

Choose one of the following three options:



Business incubation

No minimum investment required



Angel investment

Raise CAD 75,000 from an angel investment group, depending on a certain stage of the business



Venture capital fund

Raise CAD 200,000 from a venture capital fund, depending on a certain stage of the business

For the three options above, additional fees apply for optional consulting, government fees, business structure, document processing, and immigration filing.

About us

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