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Immigrant settlement info & diversity appreciation in Revelstoke. B.C.

6	<u>British Columbia Day</u>
22	<u>Eid Al-Adha</u>
25	<u>Hungry Ghost Festival</u>
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Revelstoke Settlement Services

August hours

Monday to Friday 10:00am—4:00pm
Closed August 6 for BC Day holiday

Contact & Location

Okanagan College, Revelstoke Centre
1401 First Street West

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okanagan.bc.ca/settlement

I'm an international student in Canada. Can I work while studying?

Yes. You may be eligible to work in Canada while studying and after you graduate. As a study permit holder, you may qualify to work on-campus or off-campus without an additional work permit if you meet specific criteria.

If your academic, professional or vocational training program includes an essential co-op or internship component, you will need to apply for a work permit.

You may also apply for a post-graduation work permit to continue working in Canada after you graduate from an eligible institution.

For more details, see [Work Permits for Students](#).

More info at CIC.GC.CA

Volunteering is a great way to build your professional and social network. Try out for volunteer roles that will put you in touch with people in the same sector you want to work in or with similar interests as you.

They say “Your network is your net worth.” If you’re looking for career opportunities, volunteering can be an effective way to build your network and increase your knowledge of the job market. But it’s also a great way to meet new people. And, as a bonus, if you are honing your English speaking skills, it can also be a fantastic way to practice!

For local volunteer opportunities click the bubble.

Volunteer opportunities

Canada Stiffens Sentences for Impaired Driving - What impact could this have for Permanent Residents?

New (June 2018) amendments to the Criminal Code of Canada means that Permanent Residents convicted of impaired driving can now be deemed inadmissible and could face deportation.

This could affect: those looking to immigrate to Canada permanently, those seeking entry to Canada on a temporary basis and those who already have PR status.

The amendments increased the maximum sentence for impaired driving from 5 to 10 years. The offence was also elevated into the category of *serious criminality*.

And Section 36 (1) of Canada’s Immigration and Refugee Protection Act states that a permanent resident is deemed **inadmissible to Canada** if he or she is convicted of an offence that is considered *serious criminality*.

Link to article: <https://www.cicnews.com/2018/06/canada-stiffens-sentences-for-drunk-driving-raising-new-immigration-concerns-0610796.html#gs.iSp1z1g>



NEW! BIOMETRICS & TRAVEL TO CANADA

If you are traveling to Canada and need a visa, permit or are applying for permanent residence, you may be required to give your biometrics – fingerprints and a photo.

Canada joins many countries that collect biometrics as a way to prevent identity fraud and to stop criminals from entering our country.

Watch video for a 'step-by step look at biometrics'

