

DSE Canada Education Seminar Series



International Student Policy & Higher Education Structure



Facts of Canada



Capital	Ottawa
Largest City	Toronto
Official language	English and French
Population	35 million
Area	9,984,670 km (The world's second largest country)
Time Zone Differences	HK is 12-16 hours ahead of Canada

Reasons for Choosing Canada

1) World Class Education

Comparing Economic and Education Statistics

	Canada	UK	USA	Australia
Higher Education Population ¹	51.3%	38%	42.5%	38%
Growth Rate ²	2.3%	4.0%	1.4%	3.2%
Expenditure ³	6.6%	5.6%	7.3%	5.1%

1. Percentage of population with tertiary education
2. Average annual growth rate (2000-2011)
3. Education expenditure as pct. of GDP

Source: "The Most Educated Countries in the World" by Michael B. Sauter and Thomas C. Frohlich, October 15, 2013

<http://247wallst.com/special-report/2013/10/15/the-most-educated-countries-in-the-world-2/3/>

PISA Score Comparison 2012

PISA is an international program initiated by the OECD to assess the achievement of 15-year-old students in 3 domains: mathematics, reading, and science.

	Shanghai	HK	Canada	Aust.	UK	USA	OECD Avg.
Math	613	561	518	504	494	481	494
Reading	570	545	523	512	499	498	496
Science	580	555	525	521	514	497	501

Source: "Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), 2012 Highlights of Ontario Student Results" The Education Quality and Accountability Office. Ontario, Canada: December 2013

http://www.eqao.com/pdf_e/13/2012_PISA_Highlights_en.pdf

2) Innovative & Abundant Research Opportunities



Canadarm



Canadian Light Source



Blackberry, Research In Motion



Chris Hadfield, Former Commander of the International Space Station

Alice Munro

Nobel Laureates in Literature

“Master of the contemporary short story”



3) Affordable Education

Comparing Tuition and Living Cost for International Students

	Canada	UK	USA	Australia
Annual tuition (HKD)	143,221	149,554	195,566	196,721
Annual living cost (HKD)	58,431	85,541	81,239	101,869
Annual total cost (HKD)	201,652	235,095	276,805	298,590

Source: HSBC “Study costs most in Australia” Aug 13, 2013

<http://www.hsbc.com/news-and-insight/2013/study-costs-most-in-australia>

Note: The cost figures above have been adjusted for currency fluctuation to May 2014 in order to reflect updated cost figures in HK dollars.

Reasons for Choosing Canada

4) Exciting Campus Life

5) Healthy and Safe Communities



6) Work Opportunities

- * New Working Policy:
 - * gain working experience while at school
- * Open Work Permit:
 - * immediate eligibility after graduation for 3 years





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Notice – New regulations for international students finalized

February 12, 2014 — New rules that aim to strengthen Canada’s status as a study destination of choice for prospective international students will take effect on June 1, 2014.

The new regulations will improve services to genuine students, while protecting Canada’s international reputation for high-quality education and reducing the potential for fraud and misuse of the program.

Here is a summary of the changes:

Current regulations	New regulations, as of June 1, 2014
Applicants must show that they <i>intend</i> to pursue studies in Canada when applying for a study permit.	Applicants must enrol in and continue to pursue studies in Canada. Failure to do so could lead to removal from Canada.
Applicants may apply for a study permit to pursue studies at any educational institution in Canada.	Study permits will only be issued to successful applicants who are pursuing studies at an educational institution that has been designated to receive international students.
Study permit holders pursuing studies at publicly-funded and certain privately-funded post-secondary institutions must apply for an Off-Campus Work Permit to be able to work up	Study permits will automatically authorize the holder to work off-campus for up to 20 hours per week during the academic session and full-time during scheduled breaks without the need to apply for a separate work permit. The study permit holder must be pursuing

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New Policy Highlights

- * Automatically authorize to work off-campus for up to 20 hours per week
- * Authorize to work full-time during scheduled breaks
- * Visitors may apply for a study permit
- * Graduates are authorized to work full-time before getting a Post-Graduation Work Permit
- * Effective on June 1, 2014

Applying for a Study Permit

	Item	項目
1	Application for a Study Permit Made Outside Canada (IMM 1294)	留學許可申請表格 (IMM1294)
2	Family Information (IMM5645)	家屬資料申報表 (IMM5645)
3	Temporary Resident Form (IMM 5257 – Schedule 1)	臨時居民申請表格 (IMM5257 – Schedule 1)
4	Custodian Declaration	監護人宣言
5	Use of Representative (IMM 5476)	使用代理人申請表格 (IMM 5476)
6	Official Letter of Acceptance	正式學校錄取證明書
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of financial support Proof of Tuition Payment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 父母財務狀況證明 學費付款證明
8	Fee payment of CND\$ 150 per person (*Payment by bank draft only)	申請費用加幣\$150 (*必須以銀行匯票支付)
9	Passport and 1 copy	護照正本及副本
10	Two required photos	合規格照片兩張
11	Study Plan	學習計劃
12	School Transcripts and Public Exam Certificates	學校成績單及公開考試成績證明書
13	Body Check receipt	身體檢查確認書
14	VFS Consent Form	VFS 服務同意書

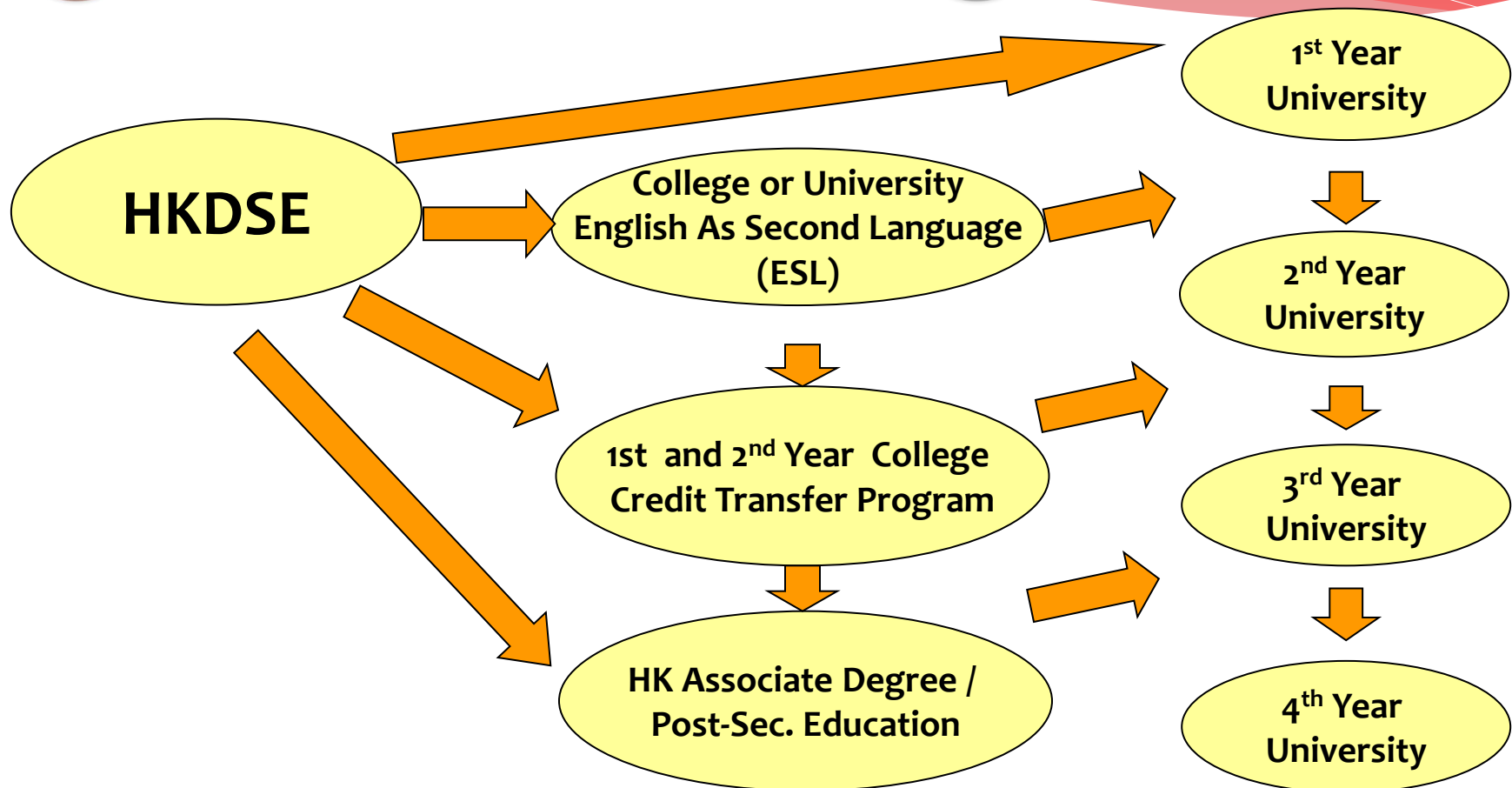
Hong Kong and Canadian Education System Articulation



6 years of primary school
6 years of secondary school



6-8 years of elementary school
4-6 years of high school



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Canadian Secondary Schools

Canadian Secondary Schools

- * Secondary education is provided by provinces
- * Classes range from 5 to 6 hours per day, Monday to Friday
- * Each province may have different grade structure, generally:

Schools	Grades	Age
Middle School	5 – 8	11 – 14
Junior High School	7 – 8	13 – 14
High / Secondary School	9 – 12	15 – 18

Ontario Secondary School Diploma

18 Compulsory Credits:

Grade	Courses (1 credit each)
9	English, Math, Science, Canadian Geography, French, Foreign Language
10	English, Math, Science, Canadian History, Career Studies, Civics, Business Studies
11	English, Math, Arts
12	English, Health & PE

In addition, student must complete 12 optional credits, 40 hours of community service, and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Total of 30 credits.

BC Dogwood Diploma

48 Compulsory credits:

Grade	Courses (4 credits each)
10	English, Planning, Math, Fine Arts, Social Studies, Science, Physical Education
11	English, Math, Social Studies, Science
12	English

In addition, student must earn at least 28 elective credits and 4 Graduation Transitions credit. Total of 80 credits.

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Canadian Colleges & Universities

Canadian Universities

- * Medical Doctoral

- * PhD and Research

- * Comprehensive

- * Research, undergrad, and graduate programs

- * Primarily Undergraduate

- * Focus on undergrad education

Maclean's 2014 University Ranking

Medical Doctoral		Comprehensive		Primarily Undergraduate	
1	McGill	1	Victoria	1	Mount Allison
2	UBC	2	Simon Fraser	2	Acadia
3	Toronto	3	Waterloo	3	Lethbridge
4	Queen's	4	New Brunswick	4	UNBC
5	Alberta	5	Guelph	5	Saint Mary's
6	McMaster	6	Memorial	5	Trent
7	Dalhousie	6	Carleton	7	UPEI
8	Ottawa	8	Regina	8	St. Francis Xavier
9	Calgary	9	York	8	Bishop's
10	Western	10	Ryerson	10	Lakehead

Source: <http://oncampus.macleans.ca/education/rankings/>

QS World University Ranking 2013/14

1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
2	Harvard University
3	University of Cambridge
4	University College London
5	Imperial College London
	...
17	University of Toronto
	...
21	McGill University
	...
26	University of Hong Kong
	...
49	University of British Columbia
	...
92	Université de Montréal

Source: QS World University Rankings - Top Universities

<http://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings>

Diversity of Programs

- * University of Manitoba
 - * Biosystems Engineering
- * University of Victoria
 - * School of Earth and Ocean Sciences
- * Simon Fraser University
 - * Environmental Science Program
- * Royal Roads University
 - * Tourism and Hospitality Programs

Diversity of Programs

- * Brescia University College
 - * Only Women's University College in Canada
 - * Foods and Nutrition Science
- * Fraser International College
 - * University articulation program to SFU
- * Columbia College
 - * Direct Transfer Credit to UBC, SFU, UVic

Co-op Program

* University of Victoria

- * Education

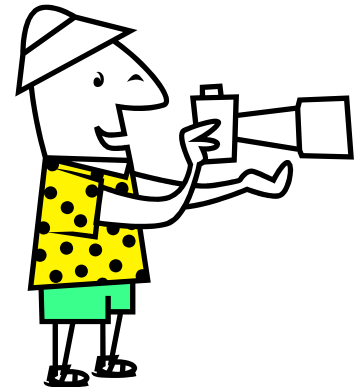
- * Engineering



Co-op Program

* Thompson Rivers University

- * Business Administration
(BC Hydro, HSBC Canada, Teck Coal)
- * Tourism Management



Co-op Program

* Centennial College

* Bell Lab

(Partnership with HP, IBM, Cisco, Ford,
Toyota)

* Computer Engineering Technology



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University Admission Requirements

HKDSE Subjects

- * Category A: 4 Core & Elective Subjects
 - * Core Subjects: Chinese, English, Math, Liberal Studies
 - * Elective Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Geography, History, Economics, Visual Arts, etc.
- * Category B: Applied Learning Subjects
 - * Creative Studies, Media and Communication, Business, Management and Law
- * Category C: Other Language Subjects
 - * French, German, Spanish, Japanese

General Admission Requirements University of British Columbia

- * HKDSE: Standing in four Core Subjects: 1) Chinese Language 2) English Language 3) Mathematics 4) Liberal Studies, Plus: Two elective subjects (Category B Applied Learning Subjects are not accepted).
 - * A minimum average of approximately 4.
- * TOEFL(iBT) Score > 90
 - Reading: 22
 - Listening: 22
 - Writing: 21
 - Speaking: 21
- * IELTS minimum 6.5, with no part less than 6.0

General Admission Requirements

University of Victoria

- * HKDSE: with 4 core subjects plus 2 additional elective subjects from Category A and/or C relevant to the requested program.
 - * A minimum overall average grade of Level 4 is required for consideration.
- * Candidates who hold a Diploma or Higher Diploma with a minimum of 70%/B/3.00 standing from the City Polytechnic of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Baptist College, Hong Kong Polytechnic or Lingnan College may also apply; see also United Kingdom and Commonwealth
- * TOEFL(iBT) Score > 90
Writing > 20
- * IELTS The minimum requirement is an overall band of 6.5, with no band below 6.0

General Admission Requirements University of Lethbridge

- * HKDSE: a minimum average of 3 on the 5-point scale on the four core subjects plus two elective subjects and/or other languages
- * TOEFL(iBT) Score > 80 (at least 16 on Listening, Reading, and Speaking, and at least 18 on Writing)
- * IELTS Score > 6.0, with no single subject below 6.0

University Deadlines at a Glance

University	Location	Domestic*	International*
University of British Columbia	Vancouver, BC	Feb 3, 2014	Feb 3, 2014
University of Toronto	Toronto, ON	Feb 28, 2014	Jan 31, 2014
University of Victoria	Victoria, BC	Feb 28, 2014	Apr 30, 2014
Simon Fraser University	Vancouver, BC	Apr 30, 2014	Apr 30, 2014
Brescia University College	London, ON	May 1, 2014	May 1, 2014
Royal Roads University	Victoria, BC	Rolling Basis	Rolling Basis

* Domestic and international difference on education system, NOT citizenship

Credit Transfer Program

Community College

* Community College

* Advantages

- Lower admission requirement
- Smaller class size
- Career focused program
- Lower tuition fee
- Credit transfer program to university

Hong Kong's Situation

職訓學徒年年減 技術人才臨斷層

「過多學生持大學學歷，對就業並無幫助...政府有需要把握機會加強發展職業教育，著力培育技術人才，特別是近年自資專上課程過度集中在文商科，偏離對人才需求。」

香港中文大學副校長侯傑泰
人口政策督導委員會成員

Source: Wenweipo, October 10, 2013:

<http://paper.wenweipo.com/2013/10/10/ED1310100001.htm>

Useful Statistics

Education Level	Projected manpower supply in 2018	Projected manpower demand in 2018	Projected manpower resource balance in 2018 (surplus (+)/ shortfall (-))
Secondary	795 200	786 700	+ 8 500
Upper secondary, craft, technician and Sub-degree	1 732 700	1 754 600	- 22 000
First degree and above	1 054 600	1 055 000	- 500
Total	<u>3 582 400</u>	<u>3 596 400</u>	<u>- 14 000</u>

Source: “Table 3.4: Projected Manpower Resource Balance by Broad Education Level in 2018”. *Steering Committee on Population Policy Progress Report 2012*. Government of HKSAR. May 2012

[http://www.admwing.gov.hk/pdf/SCPP%20Progress%20Report%202012%20\(Eng\).pdf](http://www.admwing.gov.hk/pdf/SCPP%20Progress%20Report%202012%20(Eng).pdf)

Manpower Situation and Projection in 2018

Specific Industries will be in high demand:

- * Financial Service
- * Healthcare Service
- * Innovation & Technology
- * Cultural & Creative
- * Testing & Certification
- * Education Service
- * **Environmental Industry**
- * **Tourism Industry**

Credit Transfer Program

- * Transfer within Canada
 - * Consideration: course equivalency
 - * Detailed course outline is recommended if there is no direct transfer program between the two institutions
- * Transfer from another country
 - * Students having completed a diploma or an associate degree in HK or China may apply
 - * Applicants need to provide:
 1. Proof of English language proficiency
 2. Official transcripts
 3. Detailed course outlines / evidence of existing transfer agreements to apply for credit transfer to a college/university in the province

BCCAT System

- * British Columbia Council on Admission and Transfer
- * Most efficient and cost-effective way
- * Manager of the BC Transfer System
- * Includes public and recognized private and out-of-province institutions
- * Modeled by other provinces



ONTransfer

- * Provided by the Ontario Council on Articulation and Transfer (ONCAT)
- * Formalized in 2011
- * Immediate guide on transfer credit





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GRADUATES



UNIVERSITY
STUDENTS /
GRADUATES



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I am a **COLLEGE** student or graduate

I have a College Certificate or
Diploma

I'm still in College and I want to
change Institutions

I want to get a Graduate
Certificate

Recent Searches: ○○○○○○

SEARCH TRANSFER PATHWAYS

Where I am

Step 1

What College do you / did you attend?

- Select a College -

What Program are you currently in / did you complete?

Where I want to go

Step 2

What Credential do you want to get?

College Diploma (2 year)

College Advanced Diploma (3
year)

or

Bachelor's Degree

Filter by Discipline

Search All Disciplines

Successful Case - 1

- * Chris Kum
 - * Finished his 1st Year in Thompson Rivers University in May 2013
 - * Being accepted by both UBC and U of Toronto for 2nd Year Science program
 - * Chose to enter U of Toronto 2nd year majoring in bio-chemistry

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27th May 2013

Re: Testimony and Appreciate

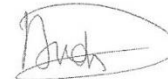
Dear Irene

This is Chris Kum's father and I am pleased to let you know that after Chris finished his first year in Thomson River University. He is now being accepted by both University of British Columbia and University of Toronto for Year Two science program. He is still struggling to choice which University to go.

I still remembered your initial recommendation to Chris on choosing Thomson River University. This is a right recommendation. TRU may not be a top University in world academic ranking. However, the close teaching environment and support to the student helped Chris easy to adapted to a new environment and concentrate his study. This is important to help him to reach today level. He now needs to face more tough challenge but I need to show my gratitude from Chris and myself and thank you for your help to bring Chris to TRU and your team dedication to help Chris in his academic and visa application.

Thank you very much to you and your team

Yours truly,



KUM, Kai Chi Andrew

Successful Case - 2

- * Carsey Chu
 - * Admitted to Thompson Rivers University in 2008.
 - * Transferred to University of Saskatchewan in 2009
 - * Graduated with Great Distinction in 2011
 - * Currently working in Canada



Successful Case - 3

* Angus Ma

- * 我是西安大略大學【Western University】的二年級學生。雖然我在香港讀高中，我覺得很難面對沉重的功課、測驗及考試壓力。因此，在聽取專業顧問的意見下，我決定到加拿大升學。
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- * 另外，實習令我有機會在真實的商業社會工作，對我是非常寶貴的。而轉移學分到UWO亦較容易。我很享受在安省倫敦的日子，人們都很友善和願意幫助別人。由我來到這裡，我已認識了很多朋友。

13/9/2012

My name is Angus Ma. I am a Year 2 student of The University of Western Ontario (UWO). While I was studying senior high school in Hong Kong, I found it hard to cope with the pressure brought by the heavy work load and frequent tests and exams. Therefore, after receiving sound advice from a professional counselor, I decided to advance my education in Canada.

Initially I took a diploma program in Business-Marketing at Fanshawe College in September 2010. The small class environment gave me the opportunity to exchange ideas with professors. I became more confident and performed well in my study. Furthermore, there was the practicum opportunity that enabled me to work in a real business world. This experience was very valuable to me. In addition, it was easy for me to transfer the credits to UWO. I also enjoy my time in London, Ontario where people are friendly and helpful. I have made many friends since I arrived here.

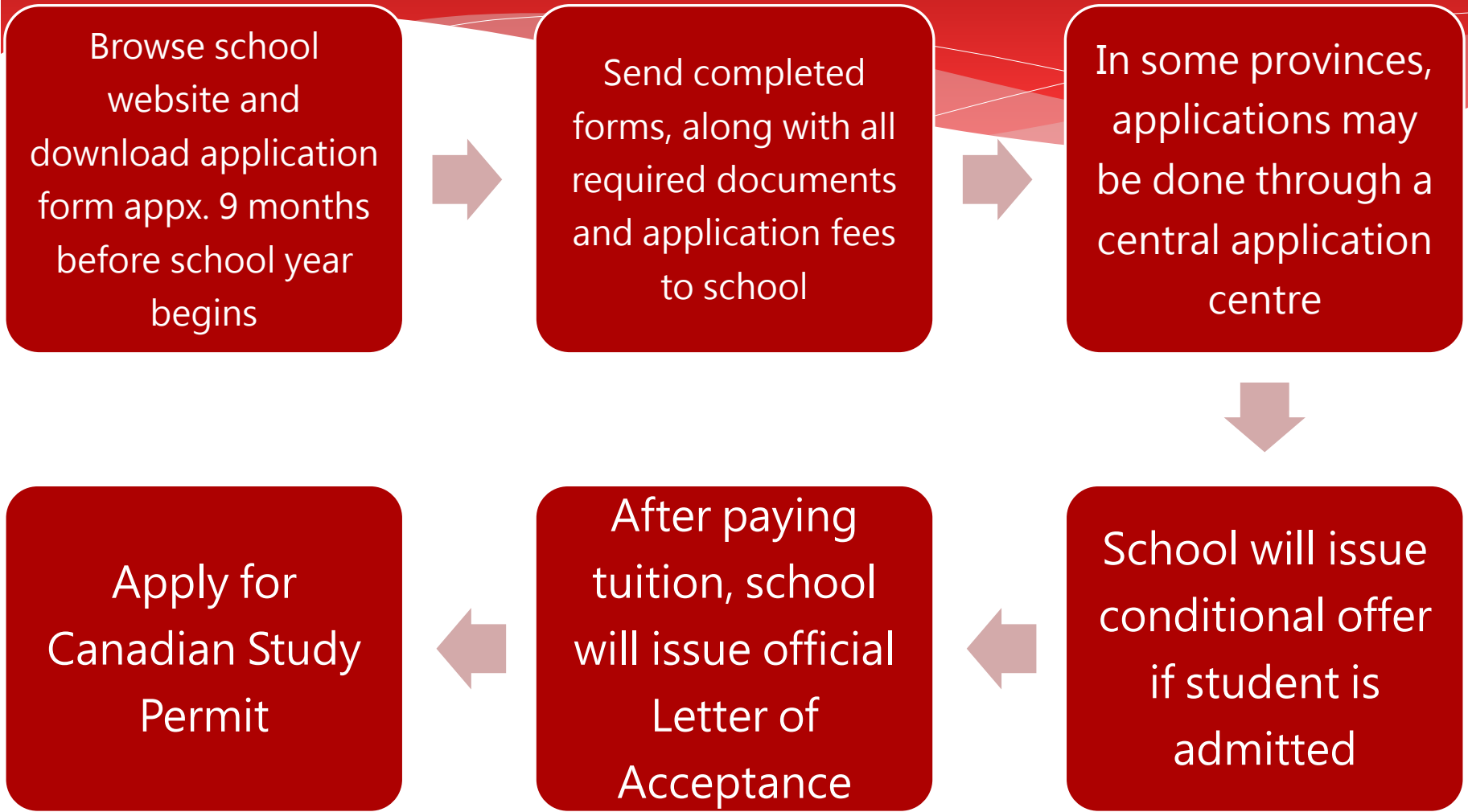
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Application Procedure



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