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North America is home to a large francophone community that is open to the world. Whether it is in the modern and creative city of Montréal, the authentic city of Rimouski, which borders the St. Lawrence River, or in the regions of Abitibi, Estrie and Saguenay–Lac–Saint-Jean, there is a place where you can pursue your studies in a warm and welcoming northern environment.

This centre of knowledge has one of the best education systems in the world and is ready to welcome you. Like the 60 000 or so international students who choose Québec each year, you will find our egalitarian and inclusive community an ideal environment to pursue your studies.

# There are thousands of good reasons to study in Québec. **We'll give you seven**

## An education system that stands out

The quality of teaching and the dynamic nature of research in Québec are recognized worldwide. Our educational institutions also collaborate with a number of prestigious international partners.

The college sector is one of the distinctive features of the higher education system in Québec. The college network consists of CEGEPs (general and vocational colleges), government schools, institutes and private colleges. In addition to pre-university training, which lasts two years, the network offers a variety of technical training programs that give direct access to the job market.

In Québec, higher education is valued, and student perseverance is supported. The success of our students also depends on a hands-on approach, such as internships with companies, and on the availability of the teaching staff. This proximity to the teachers and professors makes us stand out and creates a climate of trust that is conducive to academic success.



In Québec, we know how to balance quality of education and quality of life.

# The importance given to research, innovation and technology transfer

Our institutions of higher education possess valuable resources dedicated to the development and acquisition of key competencies in research and innovation to meet the current challenges of society. In addition, several initiatives are deployed to support the transfer and promotion of research outcomes. Educational institutions also collaborate with recognized technology parks and prestigious research centres in cutting-edge industries.

For example, a network of college centres for the transfer of technologies makes it possible to create and nurture collaboration between educational institutions, companies and organizations

in their communities. This initiative also enables numerous internships and job opportunities to be offered to students.

Tuition fees for graduate and postgraduate studies, with a focus on research, are very competitive internationally. Some merit scholarships are also available to support the education of international students, who can work as professionals and research assistants in universities in Québec while pursuing their studies.

## With a territory of 1.7 million square kilometres, there is plenty of room just for you

### **Some of the areas of excellence of higher education institutions in Québec**

Artificial Intelligence + Life Science + Aeronautics and Aerospace + Materials and Nanotechnology + Marine Science + Forestry + Mining + Aluminium + Cybersecurity + Biomedical Engineering + Environment and Water + Fine Arts and Visual Arts + Accounting, Governance and Finance + Telecommunications + Quantum Science + Energy Transition + Optics-photonics

# When quality of life and education are accessible, your daily life becomes remarkable!

In Québec, you will find everything within your reach. Where the modern metropolises of North America meet the charm of European cities, and where lakes, rivers and mountains converge in the great outdoors. However, the common factor that unites the four corners of the province is the quality of life.

Our colleges and universities are working to create inclusive environments, through faculty and extracurricular associations and shared-interest communities.

Sports teams from college and university leagues as well as recreational sports clubs are also accessible to you. If you prefer cultural activities, campuses offer many activities and outings.

During your studies, several job and internship opportunities are available to you.

After receiving your diploma, you could apply for a work permit for full-time employment if you wish to extend your Québec experience!





## A rich culture awaits you

The uniqueness of our North American francophone culture and our boundless creativity shine throughout the world. There are opportunities to experience cultural life at various intercultural and international

events, such as festivals, carnivals and artistic activities. Combine this with all the liveliness and excitement of sports events of all kinds.

# A dynamic language to express your thoughts

A beacon of the French-speaking world in the heart of the Americas, Québec offers a unique opportunity to live and study in French, a language loved and spoken by over 300 million people. More than ever, French is a language that facilitates international relations, commerce, digital communications and scientific collaborations.

The French spoken in Québec is international, with distinctive accents and colourful expressions.

Additionally, the networks of higher education in Québec also include English-language institutions as well as institutions that offer bilingual programs.



# This could be the beginning of your **great adventure**

Québec is known for its unique attractions and rich natural resources, but it also offers excellent career opportunities. As a holder of a diploma from Québec, you can explore different professional avenues and build the career of your choice.

The Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Francisation et de l'Intégration (MIFI) also offers you the possibility, under certain conditions, to reside in Québec permanently through its immigration programs. For more information, visit: **[Québec.ca/en/immigration](https://Quebec.ca/en/immigration)**.

“Here in Québec, people believe in you. They see your potential. They give you a chance and then . . . It’s up to you to take it! You are not just a student number, you are considered a unique individual.”

- An international student

# A new **world of possibilities** is opening up for you

In Québec, we believe in your future. You can choose Québec either to begin or continue your higher education or to plan a return to school that will allow

you to expand your knowledge, broaden your studies or even change your path. Anything is possible here!



# Plan your stay in Québec in only four steps

## Choose your program and institution

Explore programs of study by visiting the websites of colleges and universities.

The website of the Québec government can also help you.



## Submit your **application** for admission

Each program has admission requirements, dates and deadlines to be met when you

apply. To know what they are, contact the institution that offers the program you have selected.



## Obtain a **Québec Acceptance Certificate** for studies

When you receive your letter of admission to a program of study, promptly apply to the MIFI for a

Québec Acceptance Certificate for studies by consulting: **[Québec.ca/en/immigration](https://quebec.ca/en/immigration)**

## Obtain a **permit** to study in Canada

A study permit from the Canadian government is compulsory if you are on a program of study that lasts six months or more. You can apply

for a permit from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC): **[canada.ca/en/services/immigration-citizenship](https://canada.ca/en/services/immigration-citizenship)**



# Ensure that you have the necessary financial resources

**Yes, the cost of living** and education in Québec is among the lowest in North America. However, in order to study here, you must still prove that you have sufficient financial resources to cover the following expenses:

- Tuition fees
- Other costs related to your enrolment: related expenses, costs of teaching materials, student association fees, health and hospitalization insurance premiums
- Travel costs (round trip) from your country of origin
- Costs of settling in when you arrive
- Living expenses for the duration of your stay
- You must also be able to cover the costs of examinations related to an application for a Québec Acceptance Certificate and a study permit.

## **What if you received an exemption from differential tuition fees or a merit scholarship?**

Find out more about the financial support available:  
**[Québec.ca/studyinquébec](https://quebec.ca/studyinquébec)**





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made the leap.

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