# **IRELAND**

# Working Holiday Program

### WHAT IS IT?

The program enables Canadian students and non-students to work in Ireland.

#### HOW LONG CAN I STAY?

The maximum stay is four months. The work permit, under this program, cannot be extended.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be 18 to 30 years of age;
- · be a Canadian citizen:
- possess a valid passport and sufficient funds to travel in Ireland; and
- have a written offer of employment from an Irish employer. (The offer must confirm entitlement to the usual collective wage agreement benefits.)

# How Do I Apply?

As the program is year-round, candidates should apply for the work permit at least three months before the proposed departure date. Applications for the work permit must be obtained by the employer through the Department of Enterprises and Employment in Ireland.

Candidates without a specific employment offer in Ireland can also apply through the Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP). See page 33.

Note that Canadians working in Ireland are not eligible for health coverage.

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