

FRANCE

Canada France Young Workers' Exchange Program

WHAT IS IT?

This program allows Canadian workers to upgrade their career skills by undertaking an internship in France.

Trainees are not admitted to France unless the authorities are satisfied that the remuneration offered meets the going rate in France for the type of job and region concerned, and that the terms of employment meet French standards and will be respected.

Trainees receive the same treatment as French nationals in all matters concerning the application of laws, regulations and practices regarding health and working conditions.

HOW LONG IS IT?

Generally, an internship permit is granted for a maximum of one year. In certain cases, and on an individual basis, the permit may be extended up to 18 months.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

TO BE ELIGIBLE, YOU MUST:

- be a Canadian citizen;
- be a graduate of a university or equivalent institution, or have a post-secondary diploma or certificate from an institute of technology or equivalent educational institution;
- have some work experience directly related to your degree or diploma;

- undertake an internship in your own trade or profession;
- be 18 to 35 years of age;
- be in good health; and
- have a working knowledge of French (if your first language is not French, a certificate or letter of reference from a language teacher must accompany the application).

WHAT TO DO TO PARTICIPATE

You must obtain a written job offer from a prospective employer in France or one of its territories. The offer must state the terms of employment (type of work, period for which you will be employed, wages, hours of work per week, and welfare benefits if any).

Successful applicants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and for travel costs.

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