UNITED KINGDOM

Working Holiday Program

WHAT IS IT?

This program enables young Canadians (students and non-students) to visit the United Kingdom for an extended period and to take temporary employment as needed to cover their travel expenses. The program does not allow Canadians to obtain a work permit for a specific job.

How long is it?

Canadian citizens can remain up to two years. Jobs usually are available in shops, offices, pubs, and restaurants or hotels.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible, you must be:

- 17 to 27 years of age;
- a citizen of a Commonwealth country;
- able to demonstrate a good working knowledge of English; and
- in possession of a valid passport and sufficient funds to visit the United Kingdom.

WHAT TO DO TO PARTICIPATE

This is a year-round program. Candidates should apply at least eight weeks before their planned departure date. Visa applications must be made to a diplomatic or consular mission of the United Kingdom in Canada. Candidates may also apply through the Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP). See Part 3 of the directory.

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