

FINLAND

Career Development Exchange Program

WHAT IS IT?

This program is designed for young Canadian workers who have graduated in forestry, information technology or teaching English/French as a foreign language.

Applications of those meeting the eligibility requirements are sent to the Finnish government, which matches the applicants with jobs for which they are qualified.

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

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

HOW LONG IS IT?

Participants may stay in Finland for up to 6 months. Once the internship ends, trainees may not remain in Finland to look for work or to hold a job unless they are expressly authorized to do so.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

TO BE ELIGIBLE, YOU MUST:

- be a graduate of a university, institute of technology or equivalent educational institution;
- have a minimum of one year's work experience directly related to your degree or diploma;
- undertake training in your chosen trade or profession;
- be 18 to 30 years of age; and
- have a working knowledge of English, Finnish, Swedish or German. (A certificate from a language teacher is required if English or Finnish is not your first language.)

WHAT TO DO TO PARTICIPATE

Trainees are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and for travel costs.

Trainees are not entitled to enter Finland without a residence permit. You are strongly advised to wait until you receive your work permit before leaving for Finland.

Please note that your application must be submitted at least four months before the date on which you wish to start your internship.

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