

# Guidelines for Business Visitors in Canada

Have a look at general instructions provided by the government of Canada regarding business visitors.

This content is solely for information purposes, and does not constitute legal advice. Government regulations will vary according to your country of origin, so it is recommended that a visa/immigration expert is consulted for your specific case.

The visa application process might take more than a month depending on the location of your application. Considering that, it's recommended that you gather all the required documents for application and start the process as soon as (if) you receive the confirmation that you were accepted for the Praxis SCI Accelerate Program.

International applicants are highly recommended to apply early to ensure adequate timelines to facilitate all required visa, accommodation processes.

## VISITOR VISA OVERVIEW

If you want to visit Canada on business, you'll need to <u>understand what a business visitor is</u>, what you can do as a business visitor, and what you'll need to do and bring to enter Canada.

If you're a business visitor, you need either a visitor visa or an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to come to Canada. You may also need to provide your fingerprints and photo (biometrics) if applying for a visitor visa

### Find out if you need an eTA or a visitor visa.

Business visitors and business people are not the same. Business people come to do work in Canada under a free trade agreement. <u>Learn more about business people.</u>

If needed, Praxis Spinal Cord Institute can issue a <u>Letter of Invitation for Business Visitors</u> to <u>Canada</u>. Please contact Arushi Raina to facilitate this request at araina@praxisinstitute.org.

#### BUSINESS INCORPORATION IN CANADA

<u>Starting a non-resident business in Canada is possible</u>, however, you will have to meet certain requirements. The laws differ depending on your type of business as well as the province in which it will operate.

Small Business BC is the best source of information for individuals planning to <u>incorporate a company in Canada.</u>





You are encouraged to reach out to Small Business BC for more information about your specific case. Here's a <u>Business How Tos and Checklist</u> for general business incorporation in BC.

## ACCOMODATION AND TRANSPORTATION

AirBnB or Booking.com is recommended for short term stays.

Apartments/Rooms can also be rented for 3-months but we recommend arriving in Vancouver first so you can view the property and meet the landlord in person.

We suggest staying in Downtown, Commercial/Broadway, Kitsilano or UBC areas for convenience in public transportation.

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