

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL

Order in Council No. 363

, Approved and Ordered

July 24, 2026


Lieutenant Governor

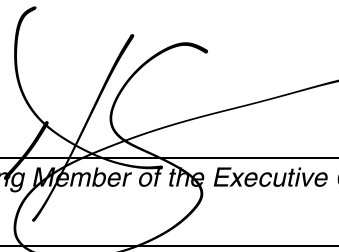
Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that

- (a) effective September 1, 2026, the *Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Act*, S.B.C. 2026, c. 4, except sections 4 (2) (c), 12, 21 (2) (b) and 36 (3), is brought into force,
- (b) effective September 1, 2026, the attached Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Regulation is made and comes into force as follows:
 - (i) Part 1 is brought into force on September 1, 2026;
 - (ii) Part 2 is brought into force on January 1, 2027, and
- (c) effective January 1, 2027, sections 4 (2) (c), 12, 21 (2) (b) and 36 (3) of the *Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Act* are brought into force.



Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills



Presiding Member of the Executive Council

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Act*, S.B.C. 2026, c. 4, ss. 2, 3, 4 (2), 7 (1), 9, 33 (2) and (3) and 38

Other:

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POST-SECONDARY INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (DESIGNATED INSTITUTIONS) REGULATION

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PART 1 – GENERAL

Definitions

- 1 In this regulation:

“**Act**” means the *Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Act*;

“**National Occupational Classification**” means the National Occupational Classification developed by Employment and Social Development Canada and Statistics Canada and their successors, as amended from time to time;

“**theological institution**” means an institution that offers either of the following:

- (a) a diploma or certificate relating to an occupation described in the current edition of the National Occupational Classification as follows:
 - (i) 41302 (religious leaders);
 - (ii) 42204 (religion workers);
- (b) a degree in theology.

Advertising prohibition – minimum duration of program of instruction

- 2 For the purposes of section 2 (a) of the Act, an institution must not advertise a program of instruction of a duration that exceeds 6 months.

Eligible institutions

- 3 For the purposes of section 3 (a) (iv) of the Act, the following institutions are prescribed:
 - (a) an institution that is a theological institution;
 - (b) an institution that offers educational programs referred to in section 31 (1) of the *Chartered Professional Accountants Act*;

- (c) an institution that offers training for an occupation of driving motor vehicles that requires a driver to hold a Class 1, 2 or 3 driver's licence under the *Motor Vehicle Act*;
- (d) Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific and United World Colleges (Canada) Inc.

Application deadlines

- 4** For the purposes of section 4 (2) (d) of the Act, an application for the renewal of a designation certificate must be submitted by the following deadline each year:
 - (a) if the institution is an institution described in section 3 (a) (i) or (ii) of the Act, April 30;
 - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply and the institution is an institution described in section 3 (a) (iii) of the Act, the date that is the last day of the month following the month in which the designation certificate of the institution under the *Private Training Act* is issued;
 - (c) if paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply and the institution is an institution referred to in section 3 of this regulation, October 31.

Term of designation certificate

- 5** For the purposes of section 7 (1) of the Act, the prescribed term of a designation certificate is one year beginning on the date it is issued.

Online directory

- 6** (1) The directory established under section 9 (1) of the Act must include the following information:
 - (a) in relation to a designated institution,
 - (i) the legal name of the institution and any operating name the institution uses,
 - (ii) any former legal name or operating name the institution has held or used in the 5 years preceding the issuance or renewal of the designation certificate held by the institution,
 - (iii) the address of the location where the institution provides a program of instruction, and
 - (iv) the website address for the institution;
 - (b) in relation to a former designated institution,
 - (i) the legal name of the institution and any operating name the institution uses, and
 - (ii) any former legal name or operating name the institution has held or used in the 5 years preceding the issuance or renewal of the last designation certificate held by the institution.
- (2) In addition to the information described in subsection (1), the administrator may publish in the directory the information described in section 9 (2) (a) and (b) of the Act.

PART 2 – FEES

Application fee

- 7** For the purposes of section 4 (2) (c) of the Act, the following application fee is prescribed:
- (a) for an application for the issuance of a designation certificate, \$7 500;
 - (b) for an application for the renewal of a designation certificate, \$5 500.

Administrative fee

- 8** (1) For the purposes of section 12 of the Act, the following administrative fee is prescribed:
- (a) if the designated institution is an institution described in section 3 (a) (i) of the Act, a fee that consists of \$2 for each international student enrolled at the institution at any time during the calendar year that precedes the date the institution applies for the issuance or renewal of a designation certificate;
 - (b) if the designated institution is an institution described in section 3 (a) (ii), (iii) or (iv) of the Act, a fee that consists of the sum of the following:
 - (i) the fee described in paragraph (a);
 - (ii) if the institution provides a program of instruction at more than one location and applies for the renewal of its designation certificate, a fee of \$3 000.
- (2) A designated institution must pay the administrative fee no later than 30 days after the date the notice of issuance or renewal of a designation certificate is, under section 29 (2) of the Act, deemed to have been received.

Appeal fee

- 9** For the purposes of section 21 (2) (b) of the Act, the prescribed appeal fee is \$250.

Exemption from payment of fees

- 10** The following institutions are exempt from the payment of fees payable under the Act:
- (a) a mandated institute as defined in section 1 of the *First Nations Mandated Post-Secondary Institutes Act*;
 - (b) an Indigenous institution as defined in section 1 of the Fees and Student Tuition Protection Fund Regulation, B.C. Reg. 140/2016;
 - (c) the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology.