



Agreement between Spain and Canada on youth mobility programs

2014 YOUTH MOBILITY PROGRAM (CUOTA: 1000).

The present information is only valid for Canadian citizens. Spanish citizens who would like to participate in the Program must contact the Consulate General of Canada in Paris.

1. The beneficiaries of this Agreement shall be Canadian citizens who fall under the following categories:
 - a. Young citizens in possession of a post-secondary diploma wishing to obtain additional training in Spain through a pre-arranged contract of employment.
 - b. Registered students of a Canadian post-secondary institution wishing to complete part of their academic training through a pre-arranged internship in a Spanish institution, including under inter-institution agreements.
 - c. Young citizens wishing to obtain additional training in the other country under a pre-arranged contract of employment in order to contribute to their professional development.
 - d. Registered students of a post-secondary institution in their home country who plan to travel to Spain during academic vacations and who wish to work on a casual basis in order to increase their financial resources.
 - e. Young citizens who plan to travel to Spain and who wish to work on a casual basis in order to increase their financial resources or to do volunteer work.
2. The beneficiaries of the Agreement shall be required to:
 - a. be a Canadian citizen, hold a valid Canadian passport and reside in Canada
 - b. be in possession of a legally issued valid visa (see point 5 below for visa application process).
 - c. be between the ages of 18 and 35 inclusively on the date the application is submitted;
 - d. hold a return ticket or have sufficient resources to purchase it and have the financial resources needed to support themselves at the beginning of their stay.

Proof of the necessary economic resources must be for the first three months of the stay in Spain. In 2014, that amounts to \$2,400 CAD in case the applicant does not have a formal offer of a job in Spain before applying for the visa.
 - e. agree to purchase medical insurance, including hospitalization and repatriation for the full period of their authorized stay before entering Spanish territory.
3. The participation in the program consists on two different phases. They take place in Canada and Spain respectively.
 - a. Visa Application, which takes place in the Consulate General of Spain in Toronto or Montreal, or in the Consulate Office of the Embassy of Spain in Ottawa. The procedure to follow is explained in point 5.
 - b. "Tarjeta de Identidad de Extranjero" (ID card for foreigners who are living in Spain) application, if required (See NOTE on point 5).
4. For the year 2013, the number of Canadian citizens authorized to benefit from this Agreement shall amount to 1000 persons.

5. How to apply for the visa. Documentation that shall be annexed to the visa application:

Canadian citizens shall include the original and a photocopy of the following documents to their application:

- a. Visa application form, filled and signed ([Visa application form, pdf](#))
- b. A full-face recent photograph, of the size required for Canadian passports, in colour, on a light, plain and uniform background, without dark optical lenses or any other garment that may prevent the proper identification of the applicant.
- c. A passport with a minimum validity of one year prior to entry into Spain.
- d. Document proving resident status in Canada (medical insurance card, driver's licence, etc.)
- e. Return ticket or sufficient funds to purchase it.
- f. Proof of economic resources through bank statements issued within the previous two months, scholarship grant, etc.

In cases where parents are financially responsible, they shall submit a letter legalized by a notary, signed by them in which they state their consent, a copy of the parents' bank statements for the previous two months and a photocopy of their passports.

- g. In the cases listed in paragraphs i, iii, and iv below, a medical insurance policy including hospitalization and repatriation, for the entire authorized period of their stay, prior to entering Spanish territory.
- h. If the duration of the stay is over six months, they shall provide a certificate stating that they do not have any criminal record, issued by the authorities of the country or countries where the applicants have resided in the course of the last 5 years, including Canada.
- i. If the duration of the stay is over six months, a medical certificate issued by their family doctor worded as follows:
- j. "This medical certificate states that Mr./Mrs..... does not suffer from any diseases that may have serious consequences on public health in accordance with the provisions contained in the 2005 International Health Regulations."
- k. A fee of \$150.00 CAD. Only cash, money order or certified cheque payable to the Consulate General of Spain in Toronto will be accepted.
- l. Furthermore, as the case may be:

- i. Registered Canadian students of a post-secondary institution in Canada who wish to complete their academic training in a Spanish institution (beneficiaries, category b).

Proof of registration in a post-secondary institution in Canada and proof of acceptance by a Spanish institution to complete their academic training, within the framework of an inter-institutional agreement.

- ii. Young Canadians wishing to obtain additional training in Spain through a pre-arranged contract of employment (beneficiaries, categories a and c).

The documents required to prove this condition shall be a contract of employment, valid for a maximum period equivalent to the period of their authorized stay, a NIF (Tax identification number) and a document stating that the company hiring them is registered with the Social Security system, as well as the relevant qualifications and credentials proving that they have the capacity required for the exercise of the duly recognized profession, where applicable. In this case, the economic resources shall be proved by submitting the contract of employment.

- iii. Young Canadians wishing to work on a casual basis (beneficiaries, categories d and e).

Beneficiaries shall submit an offer of casual employment, a NIF and a document stating that the company hiring them is registered with the Social Security system, as well as the relevant qualifications or credentials proving that they have the capacity required for the exercise of the duly recognized profession, as the case may be. As concerns proof that they have sufficient financial resources, revenues earned through occasional works shall be taken into consideration, provided that they can prove that they will indeed earn the said revenues in the future when applying for the visa.

- iv. Young Canadians who wish to do volunteer work (beneficiaries, category e). The documents required shall be the same as those required for a student visa, with the exception of the letter from the academic institution in Spain, which shall be replaced by a letter of acceptance from the institution where volunteer services shall be performed.

In order to apply for the visa, candidates should pay attention to the following consular demarcation:

The consular jurisdiction of the Embassy of Spain in Ottawa only includes the Canadian national capital region (Ottawa and Gatineau).

The consular jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Spain in Toronto includes the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario (except Ottawa), Saskatchewan, Northwest Territories, Yukon and Nunavut.

The consular jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Spain in Montréal includes the provinces of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Québec (except Gatineau), Newfoundland and Labrador.

NOTE:

The participants who want to stay in Spain for a period of time longer than 6 months and up to one year may apply for a "Tarjeta de Identidad de Extranjero" (Foreigner ID Card) in the same "Oficina de Extranjeros".

6. Qualified citizens may benefit twice from the application of this Agreement under two different categories among those set out in Article 1 (see point 1 above). The period of each stay may not exceed one year. In all cases, there shall be a minimum three-month period between the two stays.
7. Canadian citizens staying in Spain within the framework of this Agreement shall comply with the Spanish laws and regulations, in particular those involving employment.

NOTE: If passport is to be sent outside Toronto, the applicant must present or send a prepaid XPRESSPOST envelope.

Applicants residing in the Toronto must come in person to the Consulate General to apply.

For more information please contact the Visa Department at Consulate General of Spain in Toronto (Tel. 416-977-1661 ext. 224)

PROCESSING TIME FOR VISAS UNDER THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CANADA AND SPAIN ON YOUTH MOBILITY PROGRAMS IS BETWEEN 2 AND 4 WEEKS.