

BorderPass Visa Support for International Students

Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) Vancouver is committed to supporting international students with a clear and structured study permit process. To enhance this support, we have partnered with [BorderPass](#)—a platform that provides expert guidance to help students navigate the Canadian study permit application with confidence, transparency, and ease.

What is BorderPass?

BorderPass is a third-party platform that provides step-by-step support as you prepare to apply for your Canadian study permit. The service is designed to help students understand the requirements of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and organize their application with greater confidence.

Through your BorderPass account, you can:

- Complete a **Getting Started Assessment** that outlines your visa readiness.
- Secure online platform for preparing, reviewing, and submitting study permit applications.
- Receive personalized guidance from Immigration Lawyers on the next steps in your study permit preparation.
- Access tools and resources to help organize your documents.
- Chat directly with the BorderPass support team for assistance.

Conditional Offers for Students from Select Countries

FDU Vancouver is committed to helping students prepare for a successful study permit application. Applicants from countries with historically high visa refusal

rates may initially receive a Conditional Offer of Admission and be required to complete a visa readiness assessment through BorderPass before a formal Letter of Offer is issued. This process is designed to strengthen your study permit application and ensure you receive the support needed throughout the process.

Before paying the tuition deposit, students need to complete the Getting Started Assessment through BorderPass. This initial free assessment evaluates your visa readiness based on Canadian immigration requirements and helps ensure that your application is well-prepared.

The results of this assessment will help inform the University if additional documentation is required to strengthen your study permit application.

Study Permit Submission through BorderPass

When your **Letter of Acceptance (LOA)** and **Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL)** are issued, you have the option to submit your **study permit application directly through BorderPass**. This optional service includes:

- **\$50 administrative fee for the legal review**
- **\$150 study permit submission fee**

These fees are paid **directly to BorderPass**.

Please note:

While FDU Vancouver partners with BorderPass to support study permit readiness, you are not obligated to use their services. You may choose to proceed with your study permit application independently or with the assistance of a certified immigration representative of your choice.

Important Notes:

Please note that BorderPass is an independent company that has been engaged by Fairleigh Dickinson University to provide visa support services. BorderPass is not a

unit, department, or affiliate of the University, and BorderPass is solely responsible for any issues or complaints regarding its services.

Completion of the 'Getting Stated Assessment' does not guarantee visa approval by the Immigration, Refugee and Citizenship department of the Government of Canada (IRCC). The IRCC, and not the University or BorderPass, is responsible for and has exclusive decision-making authority with respect to the issuance of student visas needed for study in Canada.

Frequently Asked Questions: BorderPass Assessment Process for Conditional Offer holders

1. I received an email with the Letter of Conditional Offer. What does that mean?

This means you have been conditionally admitted to FDU Vancouver. Before we can issue a formal Letter of Offer, you must complete the BorderPass Getting Started Assessment for a visa readiness assessment.

2. What is BorderPass and why do I need to use it?

BorderPass is a platform that assists students in preparing strong and complete Canadian study permit applications. FDU Vancouver partners with BorderPass to assess visa readiness and provide enhanced support throughout the the study permit process.

To learn more about BorderPass, please visit [BorderPass | Home](#).

3. How do I create a BorderPass account?

Follow these steps:

- Use the referral link provided in your Letter of Conditional Offer email.
- Register using the same email address you used in your FDU Vancouver application.

4. What is the Getting Started Assessment and how do I complete it?

After creating your account:

- Log in to your BorderPass dashboard.
- Click “**Get Started with BorderPass.**”
- Complete the Getting Started Assessment by entering details based on IRCC (Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) requirements.
- There is no cost for this assessment if you use the FDU referral link provided to you.

5. I’m having trouble completing the assessment. What should I do?

You can:

- Click the Chat button at the bottom right of your BorderPass dashboard for support.
- Visit the [BorderPass FAQ](#) for answers to common technical and visa questions.

6. Can I pay my tuition deposit or apply for a study permit now if I receive the Letter of Conditional Admission?

No. Please wait. The admissions team will review the Getting Started Assessment feedback from BorderPass and will issue the formal Letter of Offer once it is finalized.

Do **not** pay your tuition deposit or apply for a study permit until FDU Vancouver Admissions contacts you with formal instructions.

7. What happens after I finish the BorderPass assessment?

FDU Vancouver Admissions will review your assessment results and either issue a formal Letter of Offer or request that you strengthen your visa assessment before proceeding.

8. What if my BorderPass assessment suggests I'm not ready for a study permit?

If your assessment indicates that you are not yet visa-ready, don't worry—you still have options.

We recommend taking the following steps to strengthen your application:

- **Carefully review the feedback** provided in your BorderPass assessment.
- **Use the personalized advice and resources** in your BorderPass account to improve your profile.
- **Make the suggested improvements** to your study permit application, such as updating financial documents or refining your study plan.

9. Can I retake the BorderPass assessment after making improvements?

Yes. Once you have updated your documents or made the necessary changes to your study permit profile, you may resubmit the Getting Started Assessment through your BorderPass account.

10. What if I'm not ready for this intake—can I reapply?

Absolutely. If your current visa readiness isn't sufficient, you may choose to change your application **for a future intake** after strengthening your profile. This gives you time to make the necessary improvements and increase your chances of success.

12. Will using BorderPass improve my chances of visa approval?

While no tool can guarantee a visa, **BorderPass provides expert advice and tailored support** that can significantly improve the quality of your study permit application. It's strongly recommended that you explore the tools and guidance in your account to maximize your chances of approval.

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