



## **REQUIREMENTS:**

# ELIGIBILIT

- Be a non-Canadian citizen or permanent resident.
- O Have a qualifying innovative business idea that is scalable and globally competitive.
- Obtain a Letter of Support from a designated Canadian organization, which may be:
- A designated venture capital fund (must confirm minimum investment of CAD \$200,000),
- O A designated angel investor group (minimum investment of CAD \$75,000), or
- A designated business incubator (no financial requirement, but must be accepted into a program).
- O Hold at least 10% of the voting rights in the business, with all applicants and the designated organization jointly holding more than 50%
- Meet the language requirement in English or French (CLB 5) or higher).
- O Have sufficient settlement funds, depending on family size (e.g., CAD \$14,690 for a single applicant).

# STARTUP VISA

The Canada Start-up Visa Program offers a unique opportunity for foreign entrepreneurs to build and scale innovative businesses in one of the world's most stable and prosperous economies. Designed to attract globally-minded founders, this visa provides a direct pathway to permanent residency while contributing to Canada's growing startup ecosystem.

#### BENEFITS:

Permanent Residency from Day One:

Unlike most startup visas, Canada grants direct permanent residency to approved applicants and their families.

Access to a Global Market:

Canada provides strategic access to the U.S. and international markets through trade agreements like USMCA, CETA, and CPTPP.

Inclusive Family Immigration:

Spouses and dependent children can also obtain permanent residence and access healthcare and education.

Supportive Ecosystem:

Canada offers extensive support for startups through incubators, accelerators, government grants, and a highly skilled, multicultural workforce.

O Pathway to Citizenship:

After fulfilling residency obligations, applicants may qualify for Canadian citizenship in as little as 3 years.

World-Class Quality of Life:

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Canada is consistently ranked among the top countries for safety, education, healthcare, and overall quality of life.



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