

LIABILITY WAIVER - Post-Graduate Certificate for Internationally Trained Teachers

I, the undersigned applicant, acknowledge that I am voluntarily applying to participate in the Post-Graduate Certificate for Internationally Trained Teachers program (the "ITT Program") offered by Professional Studies in the Faculty of Education at Queen's University at Kingston ("Queen's"). I understand that the ITT Program is designed to help prepare me to teach in an Ontario classroom and helps to prepare me for the Ontario College of Teachers (OCT) certification process.

I have inserted my signature in each of the conditions and at the bottom of this page to indicate my understanding and acceptance of the following:

- I acknowledge that although Queen's will work with me to provide information and training within the ITT Program to assist me in becoming OCT-certified and able to teach in an Ontario classroom, Queen's cannot guarantee I will gain OCT certification following completion of the ITT Program. **Signature:**
- I am aware that to receive OCT certification, I must meet certain requirements, including proficiency in the English language at a level of IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL iBT 95. I understand that while the ITT Program includes English language training to help me meet this requirement, Queen's is not responsible for any failure on my part to meet these requirements. **Signature:**
- I acknowledge that Queen's has advised me the OCT may attach specific conditions to my application that may require additional undergraduate coursework and/or additional AQ programs to be able to become certified, which will carry additional costs outside of the ITT Program. This may also mean I will need to teach a different age group than I am currently qualified for. **Signature:**
- I acknowledge the ITT Program includes seven Additional Qualification (AQ) courses designed to prepare me for professional practice in Ontario schools. I understand these courses are facilitated by qualified teachers and will complement my existing teacher education degree. However, I acknowledge that Queen's is not responsible for any failure on my part to successfully complete these courses. **Signature:**
- I understand that while the ITT Program is considered a 2-academic year program and is recognized by IRCC to obtain a Post Graduate Work Permit, the university cannot guarantee that any student will obtain it, nor can it guarantee the length of the permit. Furthermore, IRCC reserves the right to make changes to its policies at any time, and any decisions made by IRCC regarding work permits are beyond the control of Queen's University and Professional Studies. **Signature:**
- I understand that, as mentioned on the website and promotional documents, the ITT Program includes either a 4-week practicum in an Ontario school or a 4-week school experience. Due to teacher shortages, a practicum placement is not guaranteed. Therefore, Queen's University reserves the right to place students in either a practicum or school experience based on various factors, including availability in local schools and the candidate's practicum. If I do not receive a practicum placement, Professional Studies will ensure that I still receive a meaningful learning experience. **Signature:**

Based on the foregoing, and as a condition of participating in the ITT Program, I hereby release and absolve Queen's University, Professional Studies, and its employees, agents, instructors, and staff, of any liability relating to my ability or inability to gain OCT certification, a Post Graduate Work permit, or successfully complete the program requirements.

Applicant Signature

Print Applicant Name

Date