

# International Students: U of T Context



# Canada will reduce international student permits by more than half, budget reveals

“The new study permit caps further erode Canada’s reputation,” said one critic of Ottawa’s plan to next year limit new international student permits to 150,000 from a previous target of 305,900.

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## New targets are unlikely to affect U of T

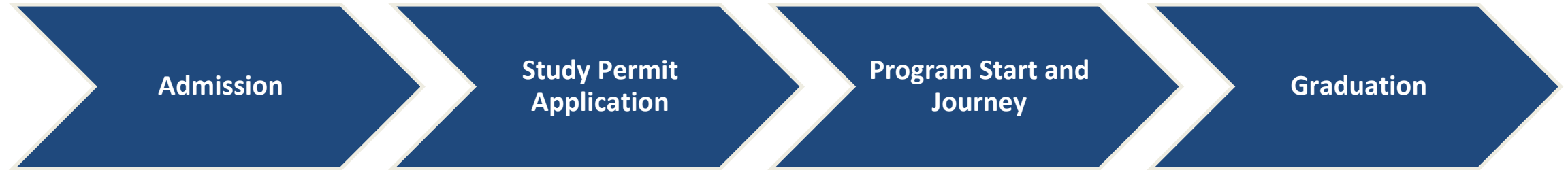
- Previous target: 305k
- New target: 155k
- Total number of new permits issued last year: 80-100k


# Study Permit Approval Rates at U of T


- 3- year rolling average of approval rates for U of T for 2022, 2023, and 2024 is **88%**
- Comparable system-wide approval rate for universities is only **54%**
- U of T has used all allocated Provincial Attestation Letters (PALs) and received more as needed


Data Source: IRCC Statistical Reporting Unit, OPP-DART(2025-30092). Study Permit Applications Received by Country of Citizenship broken down by College and University Level of Study by Year (in Persons), FY JAN 1, 2015 – DEC 31 2024


# International Student Immigration Services





 **Immigration Advising:**  
How to apply for a study permit


 **Immigration Advising:**  
Study permit applications


 **Immigration Advising:**  
Study permit conditions,  
work authorization and  
extensions

 **Immigration Advising:**  
PGWP applications


 **U of T Tools:**  
“Do you need a study  
permit?” Tool

 **U of T Tools:**  
“Study Permit Tracking”  
Tool


 **U of T Tools:**  
Immigration Document  
Reminder Tool

 **Outreach**

- Personalized communication to newly admitted students.
- Specific sessions for focus population.

 **Outreach:**

Orientation for newly admitted students about study permit conditions and work authorization

 **Outreach:**

- Ensure validity of Study Permits and TRVs
- Social Media and Newsletter