

Applying for a Social Insurance Number (SIN)

To work in Canada or access government programs and benefits, you need a 9-digit number known as a Social Insurance Number (SIN). There is no fee to apply for a SIN. Your SIN is private, and it is illegal for anyone else to use it. You are responsible for [protecting your SIN](#).

How to Apply for your SIN in-person

Step 1. Find a [Service Canada Office](#) close to you

Step 2. Gather the following documents

- Passport
- Study Permit
- Proof of Address

If everything is in order, you will get your SIN during your first visit.

How to apply for your SIN online

Step 1. Gather digital copies of the documents stated above.

Step 2. [Apply here](#)

Step 3. Once you are on the page ready to apply, scroll down to apply for SIN > Applying for yourself > You are a temporary resident > Online > Apply > Fill out the form

Note: If you require support with the application from Service Canada, you can book an [appointment](#) with them. For faster processing, it is recommended to apply for SIN In person at a Service Canada Office. An alternative method would be to apply [online](#).

Questions? Email: Samantha.Parchment-Andrews@norquest.ca or [book an appointment](#) with a settlement advisor to discuss your options.