

What is CASIP?

The Consortium of Agencies Serving Internationally-trained Persons (CASIP) is a group of eleven independent, community-based agencies and colleges that deliver employment and training services to internationally trained job seekers and to employers in the Greater Toronto Area. Through our programs and events we create many opportunities for employers to connect directly with jobseekers.

What services can job-seekers access through CASIP members?

Employment Ontario – Employment Service

Provides personalized advice and services to help people assess their skills and experience, find work and start on the path to skills training. You can learn about local labour market trends and develop effective job search strategies including resumé preparation.

Depending on your particular employment needs and career goals, a service counselor will determine whether you need more individualized assistance and support to help you develop your career and set goals, assess your skills and interests, and prepare you for interviews and employment.

You may be eligible for job development services which include job matching, on-the-job training, paid and unpaid placements and in some cases additional support to help keep you at work.

<http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/employmentontario/eoes.html>

Bridging Programs

Sector-specific bridging programs can help if you have International education and work experience, and you want to work in your field in Ontario.

Each bridging program is different and may provide you with:

- An assessment of your education and skills
- A clinical or workplace experience
- Skills training or targeted academic training programs
- Preparation for a license or certification examination
- Language training for your profession or trade
- Individual learning plans to identify any added training you may need
- Job search support and networking opportunities with employers

For a full list of our bridging programs, including eligibility criteria and contact details, please [click here](#)

Language Training

Enhanced Language Training (ELT) provides job-specific, advanced-level English training to adult newcomers, particularly useful for internationally-trained professionals and includes employer networking component

Occupation-Specific Language Training (OSLT) focuses on language and socio-cultural skills needed to prepare for work in a specific occupation, offered at Colleges

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for Job Seekers

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Language Instruction for Newcomers (LINC) provides basic language skills training through full- and part-time classes

French/English as a Second Language (F/ESL) programs are designed for various skill levels, groups of learners, and goals; wide variety available.

Mentorship

The Mentoring Partnership (TMP) brings together recent skilled immigrants and established professionals in occupation-specific mentoring relationships for a total of 24 hours over a period of four months. Eligibility requirements:

- have lived in Canada for less than three years and have limited or no Canadian work experience in their profession OR have re-engaged with their profession through academic training or bridging within the past 2 years
- have the English skills required to perform effectively in the workplace
- have at least three years of international work experience in their area of expertise
- have achieved at least a bachelor's degree – or equivalent post-secondary education – from outside of Canada
- be eligible to work in Canada
- be currently unemployed or underemployed i.e. not working in their field of expertise
- be actively seeking work in their field

In addition a variety of other mentoring programs may be offered by individual organizations.

Community Referrals

In addition to the above direct services, your counselor can assist you in accessing the following services through referrals to our community partners:

- settlement services
- credential recognition
- language assessments
- internship opportunities
- training and education

How do I access CASIP member services?

To find the closest CASIP member to your home, take a look at our [map of locations](#).

To find services offered at various locations, [click here](#).

- You will find listed all of our locations, websites, addresses, bridging, mentorship & language programs.
- Every location marked with an asterisk (*) offers Employment Ontario – Employment Service.
- You may drop in to the location of your choice or contact them in advance for additional information.
- Most sites offer some services after regular business hours on certain week days. Check in advance if coming after 5:00pm.

Can I register/use services of more than one member?

We recommend registering with one organization to enable better addressing your needs, consistency of services, building a relationship, and tracking of your progress. For job development services, you must be registered with one organization but you are welcome to use Resource & Information facilities and participate in bridging and language training programs at any organization or location.