

2nd
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IEP conference

A Unique Conference for Internationally Educated Professionals



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What? An Overview

The Internationally Educated Professionals (IEP) Conference is a unique Canadian initiative providing interactive learning for IEPs on ways to access meaningful employment. The purpose of this professional development conference is to network with key stakeholders such as employers, licensing bodies, associations, educational institutions and fellow IEPs. This year's conference will highlight the importance of a green economy and include discussions on initiatives taking place within various industries.

This Free, One-Day Conference Includes:

- Networking opportunities
- Workshops for IEPs and sector-specific discussion groups led by industry experts, experienced facilitators and successful IEPs

For the Internationally Educated Professional:

- Increased understanding of Canadian employer expectations
- Learning techniques that work in accessing employment
- Getting to know the licensing and regulatory requirements of various professions
- Current labour market information in various industries
- An opportunity to talk to professionals in your field

For the Employer:

- Explore the business advantage and benefits of hiring a diverse employee base
- An employer's luncheon highlighting a guest speaker who will discuss "Inclusivity: A Key to Business Success"
- Increased knowledge of the vast range of talents and expertise among the internationally educated within our region
- Enhanced knowledge of accessing and retaining a diverse talent pool
- Significant opportunity to explore the experience and success of other companies employing the internationally educated professional
- An ability to access community resources to recruit and employ the internationally educated
- Tools to integrate an increased number of educated newcomers into their organizations

Who? Connecting the Pieces - Knowledge is Power

The IEP Conference aims to attract 450 internationally educated professionals as well as industry representatives, government officials, regulatory/accreditation bodies, educational institutions and key associations.

Where and When?

Tuesday, March 9th, 2010

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Ottawa Marriott Hotel

100 Kent Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

Cost: FREE

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Why? Canada's Growing Skills Shortage

With Canadian labour demand exceeding supply, employers know that there is a growing skills shortage in several sectors. The ultimate goal is to connect internationally educated professionals with key employer stakeholders and identify practical strategies that enable IEPs to fill current skill gaps.

“The Internationally Educated Professionals conference increased my understanding of the importance of networking and mentorship. It has also provided me with additional information on licensing requirements within my profession. Ultimately, the IEP Conference and programs at Algonquin College led me to employment in my chosen profession.”

Quan Shui (Steven) Yang

Concrete Design Engineer, Cunliffe Associates

Conference Highlights

- Spotlight on five major sectors including Finance & Accounting, Engineering & Related Professions, Information & Communications Technology, Healthcare & Related Professions, Business Management - Human Resources, and Sales & Marketing
- Interactive, solutions-oriented discussions within sector sessions and panels on accessing the Eastern Ontario job market
- Professional development sessions and workshops aimed at IEPs on job search strategies, networking and practical tips on securing meaningful employment in Canada
- Marketplace Exhibition showcasing the latest on accreditation, certifications, education, training, employment and employer information

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About Algonquin College Access Program

The Algonquin College Access Program looks to systemically address issues affecting the participation of diverse populations to ensure a smooth transition to employment commensurate with their skills and experience.

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