



## QUÉBEC TUITION FEE EXEMPTION FOR INDIAN STUDENTS

### Graduates Studies in Québec: A Destination of Choice!



## Opportunity knocks! You could be eligible for an exemption from differential tuition fees

### WHY CHOOSE QUÉBEC?

Every year, thousands of foreign students go to study in Québec. You could be one of them! Québec has so much to offer:

- its unique quality of life with the benefits of vast natural landscapes and urban environments that blend the characteristic modernism of North American cities and the charm of their European counterparts;
- its modern institutions of higher education;
- its prestigious research and technology transfer centres;
- the expertise of its professors and researchers in leading sectors;
- its reasonable tuition fees and cost of living.

Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute announces Québec Tuition Fee Exemption for Indian Students, enabling Indian students to study in Québec universities on Québec domestic fees (the international fee for Indian students is generally three times more than the domestic fee). In order to avail this tuition fee exemption, an Indian student must pursue full-time study at Master's or Doctoral level in a Québec university. Those who have already availed the tuition fee exemption last year are not eligible to apply this year.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The students desirous of studying at Québec universities must apply directly to English or French universities of Québec. On acceptance by the university, the Doctoral/Master's level students must apply in the prescribed proforma to the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute along with the acceptance/admission letter from the Québec university. The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute will select through an Adjudication Committee 15 students at Master's level and 14 students at Doctoral level for supplemental tuition fee exemption.

### THE STUDENTS MUST:

1. hold a valid Indian passport;
2. furnish proof of admission to a programme of study in a Québec institution of higher learning;
3. enroll full-time in the programme at the rate of thirty (30) credits annually;
4. have some knowledge of French, which is desirous, not mandatory. However, the student can enroll in an elementary course in French from any institution in Québec;
5. submit to the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute a completed copy of the application form for supplemental tuition fee exemption, available on the website of the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport at: [http://www.sici.org/images/uploads/application\\_forms/droits\\_scolaire-A\\_formulaire.pdf](http://www.sici.org/images/uploads/application_forms/droits_scolaire-A_formulaire.pdf).

### DURATION

Each supplemental tuition fee exemption is granted for full-time study for a maximum duration of:

- two (2) years for a graduate programme at the Master's level (short programmes and specialised advanced degrees are excluded);

- three (3) years for a graduate programme at the Doctoral (Ph.D.) level (short doctoral programmes are excluded).

### PRIORITY AREAS OF STUDIES

- Literature, Québec studies and the teaching of the French language;
- Education and pedagogical innovation;
- Multimedia and information technologies;
- Scientific research;
- Engineering;
- Public administration;
- Business administration, financial services and management;
- Environmental science;
- Health.

### CONDITIONS ON DOMESTIC TUITION FEE

For details please visit: <http://www.sici.org.in/index.php?page=quebec-tuition-fee-exemption-for-indian-students>

### HOW TO APPLY

Send the documents listed below to the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, which is responsible for selecting candidates:

- your most recent transcripts;
- a curriculum vitae;
- two letters of recommendation from educational institutions you have attended;
- a letter explaining why you wish to apply;
- a description of any other relevant work or achievement;
- a completed Application Form for Exemption from Differential Tuition Fees (available on <http://www.mels.gouv.qc.ca>) and any required documents;
- confirmation of admission to a Master's or Ph.D program at an institution of higher education in Québec.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

**Last Date for Fall Session : 16 April, 2012**

Application Form available at [http://www.sici.org/images/uploads/application\\_forms/droits\\_scolaire-A\\_formulaire.pdf](http://www.sici.org/images/uploads/application_forms/droits_scolaire-A_formulaire.pdf).

#### CONTACT

For more information, please contact Dr. Prachi Kaul / Dr. Vinayaraj V.K. at the Shastri Institute, India Office. We would also recommend you to send an electronic version (soft copy) of your application to SICI at [sici.quebecfee.ex@gmail.com](mailto:sici.quebecfee.ex@gmail.com).

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