

## **Media Backgrounder**

The Student Category allows eligible post-secondary graduates to apply for landed immigrant status under the SINP. There are two streams of the Student Category: the Post-Graduation Work Permit Stream and the Master's and PhD Graduate Stream.

### **Eligibility for the SINP Master's and PhD Graduate Stream**

You may qualify to apply under the SINP Student Category: Master's and PhD Graduate Stream if:

1. You have completed all degree requirements for an existing Master's and/or PhD program that required at least one academic year of full-time study from the University of Saskatchewan or the University of Regina.
2. You are applying within two years of the date on which your degree was granted and from a country in which you have legal status.
3. You intend to live in Saskatchewan and have enough money to sustain for a short time without work (\$10,000 for you and \$2,000 for each accompanying family member).
4. You are able to demonstrate your ability to settle and be employed in Saskatchewan with at least one of the following:
  - Have at least six months of employment history in your field of training in Saskatchewan
  - Are currently employed in Saskatchewan for a term longer than six months
  - Your spouse has permanent full-time employment in Saskatchewan