

# Immigration Canada: The Points System

Individual Case	Enough Points?
<b>Alem</b> lives in Addis Ababa, the capital city of Ethiopia. He is 41 years old, married, and has a family of three girls and two boys. He has completed twelve years of schooling, followed by three years studying to be an engineer at a university in Ethiopia (bachelor degree). For the last eight years he has worked as a civil engineer, planning projects to bring water to rural villages in his country. His wife, Alia, also has a bachelor degree in engineering. Alem has basic skills in English, and does not speak a word of French	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Tricia</b> lives in Wellington, New Zealand. She is 54 years old, and has not completed high school. English is her first language. She has worked as a clerk in a law office for fifteen years (high proficiency in English), and has a certificate in business studies. She wants to move to Winnipeg to join her sister and family	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Zeynab</b> is 38 and lives in Jakarta, Indonesia. She has a Ph. D. in computer science (she finished twelve years of schooling, and eight more years of university). She has been working for the last ten years for an electronics company designing microchips. Although English is her second language, she <i>speaks</i> it well. She is no longer married, but has two girls. She also has several cousins who live in Toronto	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Krystyn</b> is 19 years old, and lives in Bucharest, Romania. She has just finished high school, and took French and English classes throughout. She <i>speaks</i> English quite well, and <i>speaks and writes</i> French very well (Romanian and French are much more similar than Romanian and English). She is not married, but has an aunt and uncle who live in Vancouver.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Louis</b> is 34 years old, and is a skilled radiological technician, who has worked in a hospital in Sao Paulo, Brazil for 3 years. He finished twelve years of school and then earned a diploma in radiology requiring three years of study. He speaks Portuguese, his first language, and enough English to get by. He is not married and has no children, but has already found a job in Edmonton that has been approved by HRDC Canada	<input type="checkbox"/>

Person	Age	Education	Language	Experience	HRDC?	Adaptability	Total Points
ALEM							
TRICIA							
ZEYNAB							
KRYSTYN							
LOUIS							

## Requirements For Immigration to Canada

**You must have a minimum of 67 points to qualify for immigration to Canada**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Maximum 10 points</b>
10 points if your age is between 21- 44 years.	<b>10</b>
For every year over 44 and less than 21 deduct 2 points. (So if you are 49 years old you scored 0 points.)	

<b>Education</b>	<b>Maximum 25 points</b>
You have a master's degree or PhD and at least 17 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study	25
You have two or more university degrees at the bachelor's level and at least 15 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study You have a three-year diploma, trade certificate or apprenticeship and at least 15 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study.	22
You have a university degree of two years or more at the bachelor's level and at least 14 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study. You have a two-year diploma, trade certificate or apprenticeship and at least 14 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study.	20
You have a one-year university degree at the bachelor's level and at least 13 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study You have a one-year diploma, trade certificate or apprenticeship and at least 13 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study	15
You have a one-year diploma, trade certificate or apprenticeship and at least 12 years of full-time or full-time equivalent study 12 years of full-time study	12
You completed high school.	5

<b>Work Experience</b>	<b>Maximum 21 points</b>
One year of recent skilled work experience	15
Two years of recent skilled work experience	17
Three years of recent skilled work experience	19
Four years of recent skilled work experience	21

<b>Language Ability (English &amp; French)</b>	<b>Maximum 24 points</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Language (French or English)</b>	<b>Points</b>
High proficiency	16
Moderate proficiency	8
Basic proficiency	2
No proficiency	0
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Language (French or English)</b>	<b>Points</b>
High proficiency	8
Moderate proficinecy	8
Basic proficiency	2
No proficiency	0

<b>Arranged Employment in Canada approved by HRDC</b>	<b>10 points</b>
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<b>Adaptability</b>	<b>Maximum 10 points</b>
Spouse's or common-law partner's education	
- Masters or Ph.D.	5
- Bachelor degree or three year diploma	4
- one or two year post-secondary education	3
Completed one-year full-time authorized work in Canada*	5
Completed two years full time post-secondary study in Canada*	5
Informal offer of employment in Canada in keeping with past experience or education	5
Family relationship in Canada (parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, child of a parent, sibling, child of a grandparent, aunt or uncle, or grandchild of a parent, niece or nephew who is a resident of Canada and is either a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident)	5