

# This way to Seneca

## Section 1 of 2: Pre-Departure

This checklist is for applicants who have received their Letter of Acceptance (LOA) from Seneca for the January 2021 term.

If you need help with any of the steps outlined here, contact us at [seneca.international@senecacollege.ca](mailto:seneca.international@senecacollege.ca).

### Travelling to Canada for School?

These items are just for you. (**NOTE:** If you will be studying from home this term, please refer to the [STUDYING FROM HOME](#) version of this document.)



# 01

## Preparing for Class

### IMPORTANT TO-DO'S

To complete as soon as possible, before your first day of class Jan 11, 2021 (no later than Jan 15, 2021)

- If your application was accepted, you would have received an email requesting confirmation of your program choice on [Student Home](#).
- When you confirmed your program, you would have received an official Letter of Acceptance (LOA). Your Letter of Acceptance is filled with important dates and information.
- You must **pay your first semester fees** by the due date noted in your fee statement. **Act fast, some programs and classes fill early.**
- Once you have your Letter of Acceptance for the January 2021 term you should immediately **apply online** for your Student Visa (study permit).
- ALL international students should apply for a **Study Permit** even if you plan to take online classes from home.
- If your program includes a co-op or work placement, you should apply for your Study Permit and **Co-op Work Permit** together right away.
- Some programs require you to take an online SKILLS ASSESSMENT TEST. Online booking and more information can be found [here](#).

**NOTE:** You will not be able to fully complete your class schedule until you have successfully completed your skills assessment.

- Attend INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL ORIENTATION** You can watch it [here](#).

Before your first day of class Jan 11, 2021 (no later than Jan 15, 2021)

- To qualify for enrolment, you must have completed your INTENT TO ENROL in the STUDENT HOME portal.

**NOTE:** You cannot enrol unless your account is in good standing AND you have completed your Intent to Enrol.

Jan. 11, 2021

**CLASSES BEGIN**



# 02

## Before You Travel

Before you travel to Canada, please know that as an international student you need a:

- **STUDY PERMIT** or valid **PORT OF ENTRY LETTER OF INTRODUCTION**
- **PASSPORT** with a valid **VISA** or **eTA (electronic Travel Authorization)**
- Seneca Letter of Acceptance (LOA)
- proof that you have enough money to support yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada
- receipt on your **ArriveCAN App** confirming that the government has received your travel plans
- written or electronic documentation of a negative COVID-19 laboratory test no earlier than 72 hours prior to your flight. The test can either be a molecular polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP) test - from a lab accredited by an external organization (e.g. government, accredited by a third party, such as a professional organization or ISO). Please visit [this website](#) for the data elements required in your negative test result.
- **CO-OP WORK PERMIT** is required for some programs, this allows you to work at a student placement in Canada. Getting a student VISA may not lead to the other two. There are conditions you must meet to be eligible for both STUDY PERMIT and WORK PERMIT. Please ensure you apply as early as possible.

**NOTE: You will not be allowed to enter or begin your studies in Canada without the proper authorizations.**

### THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN PLANNING YOUR TRAVEL

# 03

## Technology

- ALL students who are attending Seneca during the January 2021 term need to ensure that their technology (hardware, software and network access) meet ALL requirements for accessing Seneca online. These requirements can be found [here](#) — please be prepared.



# 04

## Downloads

Please add these downloads to your CANADIAN COMPATIBLE mobile phone or tablet. You will need access to these apps prior to travelling to Canada and when you arrive in Canada.



- Seneca International Arrivals (iCent) App**

The **Arrivals App** contains a full selection of COVID-19-related instructions you must follow when entering Canada. And you'll find the MANDATORY FORMS and tasks you must complete and present at the airport when you arrive.



- ArriveCAN App**

The **ArriveCAN App** was created by the Canadian government to help you minimize wait times and delays upon arrival, share your quarantine plan with customs and immigration, and complete your daily check-in while you quarantine in Canada.



- Seneca's Virtual OneCard**

This is your **Seneca Student Card** that can be used on campus for identification to grant you access for hybrid courses with in-person and on-campus programs.



- The MORCARE Medical App**

Access to health care and dentist services in Canada may be quite different from what you are used to at home. A summary of services can be found [here](#) and you can download/print your MORCARE Medical Card [here](#).

**NOTE: Wi-Fi is available at the airport. If you do not have a Canadian SIM, you will still have access to online services.**



- Seneca's App Suite**

- Seneca has an app suite to help you stay up to date on the latest Seneca news and access resources including your class schedule, grades, fees and more through **SENECA MOBILE**.

- For students in a hybrid format program, **SENECA NAVIGATE** will help you find classrooms and washrooms easily thanks to detailed maps of Newnham and Seneca@York campuses.

- SENECA SAFE** enables you to receive important safety alerts, directly to your smartphone, if an on-campus emergency occurs.



# 05

## Mandatory Forms



- The Seneca International Arrivals (iCent) App (see above) includes instructions and requirements for your 14-day quarantine period, a negative PCR or LAMP COVID-19 test result before you travel AND a set of Mandatory Forms including those on the ArriveCAN app that you will need at the airport when you arrive.

**NOTE: You will not be able to enter Canada without the mandatory forms including your 14-day quarantine plan and a negative PCR or LAMP COVID-19 test result.**

# 06

## Book Your Airport Pickup



- Book your airport pickup through the **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** app found under the Start Here — Mandatory Forms icon. We will arrange a driver to pick you up at Pearson International Airport and deliver you to wherever you have arranged to stay so you can begin your 14-day quarantine.

# 07

## Plan Your Finances



- Have a plan on how you will manage your finances, pay for groceries, rent, etc. During your quarantine, you will be unable to go to a bank to set up accounts

# 09

## Plan Your Travel



- Remember, if you are travelling to Canada, you will not be home for months — plan and pack carefully. Review our suggested [packing list](#).

- Review important things to bring in your carry-on luggage, these are listed on the **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** App under Pre-Departure Checklist/ Important Things to Carry.

Be sure you have your Study Permit or Port of Entry Letter of Introduction, **PASSPORT** with a valid **VISA** or **eTA (electronic Travel Authorization)**, Seneca Letter of Acceptance (LOA), proof that you have enough money to support yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada, proof of a negative PCR or LAMP COVID-19 laboratory test result no earlier than 72 hours prior to your flight, and a receipt on your ArriveCANApp confirming that the government has received your travel plans prior to travelling.

- To begin attending your hybrid format courses starting Jan. 11, 2021, you must arrive in Canada in time to quarantine for 14 days or no later than Dec. 28, 2020.

# 08

## Plan for Groceries, etc.

- During your 14-day quarantine period in Canada, you will need to arrange for the delivery of groceries and essentials. Most grocery stores and pharmacies will deliver to your front door. Check online to find an option in your neighbourhood.

- Additional resources can be found on your **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** App under Quarantining Planning/Food Delivery.



# 10

## During Your Mandatory 14-Day Quarantine Period

- On each day of your quarantine period, submit your daily check-in through the **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** app and **ArriveCAN** App.

- A few days before the end of your quarantine, schedule an appointment for a COVID-19 test. Choose a time for the test immediately after completing of your 14-day quarantine.

- additional details can be found on the **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** App under Quarantine Planning/ Mandatory Testing for COVID-19

- Arrange for a private taxi or Uber to take you from your place of quarantine to the COVID-19 **Assessment Centre or pharmacy** and back.

- If you do not have symptoms of COVID-19, you must confirm with the Assessment Centre whether you need to self-isolate while waiting for your results. Depending on the region where you completed your test, requirements may vary.

- Complete your Post-Quarantine Attestation on the **Seneca International Arrivals (iCent)** App.

