Join the discussion on immigration in Canada by participating in the 2022 National Essay Challenge (NEC), now in its fourth edition to promote policy-relevant research by emerging scholars. New this year, the contest will accept applications from **graduating fourth-year students**, in addition to **graduate students** enrolled at a Canadian university.

Requirements:

- You must be a graduating fourth-year student or a graduate student enrolled at a Canadian university for the 2022 to 2023 academic year.
- Your essay must be a research paper in English or French between 10-12 pages in length, using qualitative and/or quantitative methodologies.
- The essay cannot be co-authored and you must have the support of a professor.

How do I enter?

- First, send an email to IRCC.@cic.gc.ca to access the 2022 National Essay Challenge group on GCcollab, where you will find information about the Challenge requirements.
- Once you are a member of the 2022 National Essay Challenge GCcollab group, you must submit your expression of interest by October 10, 2022

Selected students will receive

- an IRCC certificate of achievement
- an invitation to present their essay at an IRCC Research Matters event (in Ottawa with travel expenses paid or via videoconference)
- a prize of \$750 towards participating in an academic conference



