Bridging Programs for Internationally Educated Health Professionals (IEHPs)



What are Bridging Programs?

Bridging Programs are designed for experienced internationally-educated health professionals (IEHPs) who wish to practice as licensed health professionals in Canada.

How will a Bridging Program benefit me?

- Successful completion of a Bridging program has been proven to dramatically improve an IEHP's chance of being licensed with a certifying body for professional practice in Canada
- Bridging programs and courses provide clinical experience within a Canadian context that internationally-educated imaging professionals would not previously receive
- Bridging programs and courses provide a review of core theory components associated with the key competencies required by certifying bodies
- Bridging programs and courses provide internationally-educated imaging professionals with a
 network of instructors and colleagues in Canada where they previously may not have had access

Medical Laboratory Science (BPML800)

This bridging program is designed for internationally educated and experienced medical laboratory technologists whose training and work experience have been assessed by the Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science (CSMLS) and have been issued a Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Report.

In this intensive and comprehensive sixteen (16) week program, students gain valuable simulated laboratory experience and intensive theory review. The simulated laboratory review will assist students in obtaining an understanding of Canadian laboratory practices.

Radiological Technology (BPRA800)

This program has been specifically designed to help prepare internationally educated medical radiation technologists whose training and work experience have been assessed by the College of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists of Ontario (CMIRTO), and have been issued an Order so they will be better prepared to write the national CAMRT certification examination.

In this intensive, fifteen (15) week course, students will review core theory components including basic skills assessment, gain simulated laboratory experience in positioning labs, CT, PACS etc. and through online collaborative chats and assessments obtain thorough preparation to write the licensing exam.

Ultrasound Scanning Evaluation (BPUS800)

This bridging course is designed for internationally educated Sonographers with recent education and experience, to help them prepare for Sonography Canada's Canadian Clinical Skills Assessment (CCSA) exam.

In this comprehensive four-weekend hands-on scanning evaluation course, students will have many opportunities to review and practice various imaging protocols, gain simulated sonography scanning experience in a laboratory setting and be evaluated every weekend on their competency in performing procedures using correct sonographic scanning techniques. The five scanning evaluations over the course of the four weekends will be conducted by certified sonographers. Weekly review of protocols, patient care, and procedures will be used to introduce the new topics, debrief the weekly scanning lab sessions and answer questions that arise from the lab experiences.

For more information on all our bridging programs, please visit **michener.ca/bridging** or contact us by email at **bridging@michener.ca**

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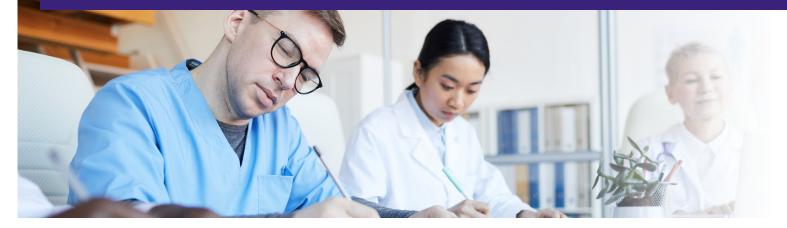
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Michener English Language Assessment



The Michener English Language Assessment (MELA) is a standardized English language proficiency test specific to the health care sector. This test is referenced to the Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB). MELA scores are used by some post-secondary institutions and regulatory bodies as approved and acceptable demonstration of communicative competence to study or practice in English.

MELA measures English language communication skills in four areas: speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The test takes about three and a half hours.

There are several testing sessions offered monthly. Applicants can choose to complete the assessment from the comfort of their homes or in-person at Michener (Toronto). Both sessions are offered in a proctored environment. MELA is open to applications from all over Canada.

MELA scores are used both for admission to all Michener full-time, part-time and bridging programs, as a diagnostic tool by program consultants, and for licensure by some regulators across Canada.

Why MELA?

- Specific to the health care environment
- Targets all language skills (ie. speaking, listening, reading, and writing)
- Provides diagnostic information to students to help them improve their communications skills
- The test is referenced to the Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB), a Canadian framework for English language proficiency



For more information on MELA, please visit **themela.ca** or **michener.ca/mela** or contact us by email at **mela@michener.ca**





