

# INTERNATIONAL BRIDGING PROGRAM FOR REGULATED PROFESSIONS

## Project Synopsis

Time: 6-12 months

Complexity: High

Cost: >\$100,000

This project creates a bridging program overseas and applicants who graduate from this program could immediately become certified to practice in their trained occupation in Canada.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

For applicants from countries with comparable certification requirements to regulated occupations in Canada, it is useful to modify the assessment process to expedite their certification. This project involves the implementation of a bridging program overseas to enhance the ability of applicants to meet the education standards and competencies for a regulated profession. Upon graduation, ITWs are certifiable in both their country of origin and Canada.

### KEY OUTCOMES

- ITWs are motivated to move to and work in Canada, as their qualifications immediately certify them to practice in a regulated occupation.
- Regulators do not need to undertake a significant assessment process for ITWs coming out of the international bridging programs.

### KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Conduct a thorough search of jurisdictions that match Canadian education standards and competencies.
- Set up a committee with regulatory bodies of the participating jurisdictions to monitor and evaluate the bridging program.
- Review the numbers of participants in the program who enter, complete, succeed and subsequently register in Canada.

### PROJECT COMPONENT

- Build a targeted bridging program between jurisdictions with similar educational standards as Canada.

