# 90-day pre-arrival countdown

A 13-week planner to line up housing, flights, insurance, money and the documents IRCC says to bring. There is no official 'arrive-by' date on IRCC's prepare-for-arrival page.

NAME _____ DATE _____

## DATES I AM WORKING TOWARD

PROGRAM START DATE _____ PLANNED ARRIVAL DATE _____

SCHOOL _____ COUNTDOWN START DATE _____

## 90 DAYS IN WEEKLY BLOCKS

| Week (counting down) | This week's tasks | Booked or done | Notes |
|---|---|---|---|
| Weeks 13–12 (days 90–76) | | | |
| Weeks 11–10 | | | |
| Weeks 9–8 | | | |
| Weeks 7–6 | | | |
| Weeks 5–4 | | | |
| Week 3 | | | |
| Week 2 | | | |
| Week 1 | | | |
| Final 3 days | | | |
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## BEFORE I FLY

- [ ] Passport still valid for travel
- [ ] Letter of introduction packed
- [ ] Letter of acceptance packed
- [ ] Housing for the first weeks confirmed in writing
- [ ] Flight booked
- [ ] How I will pay for the first month written down

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## SOURCES (CHECKED 2026-11-27)

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https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/study-permit/prepare-arrival.html (checked 2026-11-27)
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