

# Helping Internationally-Trained Professionals Start Their Career in Canada

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Ontario is investing \$67 million over three years on programs and services that connect internationally-trained professional immigrants with in-demand jobs in their communities.

<https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1001014/ontario-helping-newcomers-start-their-careers>

Seneca, through the **Faculty of Continuing Education and Training**, delivers two Ontario Bridge Training Programs for internationally-trained professionals. Funding has been renewed and will continue until September 2024.

Currently recruiting students for January 2022!

**The Professional Excellence in Financial Services (EFS) Bridging Program** supports individuals with professional backgrounds in banking and finance to obtain employment in Ontario's financial sector in the shortest time possible. Delivered as an accelerated 16-week, full-time, hybrid program. Training focuses on technical and software training, banking certifications, communication and customer service skills. Highlights include; career planning, virtual speed mentoring, mock interviews with finance professionals; job shadowing; hiring events; business and cultural communications.

## Student Testimonial

"I have developed a better understanding of the Canadian financial industry. I have been part of an ambitious group of immigrant professionals from diverse backgrounds and ethnicities eager to take on the industry, attended job shadowing sessions with two top banks, practiced my interview and employer-engagement skills amongst other activities." – 2021 Graduate

**The Accelerated Building Environmental Systems (BES™) Operator Class II Bridging Program** provides specialized training and professional networks to help individuals launch a professional career in Building Operations & Facilities Management industry in the shortest time possible.

Offered in fast-paced, part-time, employment-focused format, this certificate program will provide students with an understanding of the interrelated complexities of building environmental systems such as heating, ventilation, air handling, water treatment, controls

and electrical power supply. Highlights include: top industry instructors; access to Seneca's employer network; facility tours; health & safety training, hands-on practical training, professional mentorship opportunities; advanced career management techniques; employment supports and financial aid options.

Developed by Seneca over 40 years ago, the BES™ Certificate has become the industry standard and is the most recognized Certification for Building Operators in Canada today.

### **Student Testimonial**

“Seneca BES course gave me the opportunity to educate myself and I was able to get a job related to my field in Johnson Controls while doing this course. As an immigrant, it’s hard to find a stepping stone in Canadian competitive job market and this fast track course can make your dreams come true.” – 2020 Graduate

For more information:

<https://www.senecacollege.ca/ce/bridging/efs.html>

<https://www.senecacollege.ca/ce/environment/building/bes.html>

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