

ABOUT CIWA

Calgary Immigrant Women's Association is a non-profit, charitable organization established in 1982 to address the barriers, needs and concerns of Immigrant and refugee women, youth and families



Vision: Women from diverse backgrounds are empowered to reach their goals and dreams as equal and contributing members of Canadian Society.

Mission: Deliver professional services that facilitate the integration and full participation of women and their families in the community

Values: Equality, Empathy, Inclusiveness and Integrity

Calgary Immigrant Women's Association



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Hours of Operation
Monday - Friday:
9:00 am - 4:30 pm

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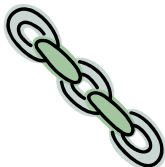


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Links to Success is a 24 week program designed for young immigrant and refugee mothers who would like to attain meaningful employment and viable career prospects within their chosen field. The project will provide the direction, skills and support needed to transition to the Canadian work force.

The 14 week **skills enhancement** component is designed to increase the soft and technical skills that are required to be successful in the Canadian workplace. The 10 week **paid internship** will provide participants with experience in a Canadian work environment.

Who Can Apply?

Young immigrant and refugee mothers who :

- Are 15-30 years of age
- Require additional education/experience to find meaningful employment in Canada
- Are highly motivated to find employment and explore career options
- Are not enrolled in any other educational programs
- Have Canadian Language Benchmarks of 5 or higher
- Have not have received EI in the last 3 years
- Committed to a **full time** program for **24 weeks**

Participants Will Gain:

- **10 weeks** of **paid** Canadian work experience
- Opportunity to earn a **Canadian reference** and launch a career in Canada
- **14 weeks** of skill enhancement focusing on English language proficiency, customer service skills, computer skills, Canadian workplace culture , job search skills, and more
- **Mentorship** from a professional immigrant woman
- **Skills and resources** required to find and maintain a job in Canada
- **Career action plan** to provide **direction** in individualized career goals

Intake Dates:

May 19 to August 21, 2009

Classes run Monday-Friday 9:30-4:00

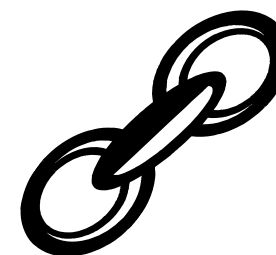
14 week paid skill enhancement

August 24 to October 30, 2009

10 week paid work experience placement
(30 hours per week)

Additional Benefits for Participants:

- There is no childcare provided on site but **daycare costs will be reimbursed** for the entire 24 weeks
- Participants will receive **individualized job search support** from a career counselor



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