

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
FOR INFORMATION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 30, 2025

**SUBJECT:** CGPS Correspondence with Immigration

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**SUMMARY:**

During the Council meeting held on December 19, 2024, a member asked for more information about the correspondence CGPS has with immigration during the admission process to better assist students. Dean Burshtyn connected with her team following the Council meeting and provided the following response:

In December 2023 the federal government implemented a letter of admission verification process whereby CGPS staff are required to verify all graduate letters of admission submitted as part of a study permit application through the IRCC portal. Letters are verified as students submit their study permit application and IRCC processes them. CGPS has a 10-day turnaround time to verify these letters. Outside of this process, CGPS is not typically contacted by the IRCC for any additional information. In the rare situations where they are contacted for additional information (at most once or twice per year), CGPS provides what they can within a 24-hour period. It's important to remember that there are multiple factors considered by IRCC when reviewing a study permit application and the admission-related pieces are only one part of that review.