

Writer Lands Huge Bonus: A Second Passport

Writers experience many perks from free travel to huge royalty checks. But, for Beau Thompson, his copywriting career landed him with a very unusual bonus – a Canadian passport.

It was on vacation that Beau and his wife Kory first fell in love with Vancouver, British Columbia. As they were walking through the town's beautiful Stanley Park, his wife, Korey, said, "We have to move here".

Unlike most vacationers under the spell of a new place for the first time, Beau and Korey actually took the step to begin researching moving to Vancouver that same night.

When asked about the courage it took to take such a big step so quickly, Beau says, "I got into copywriting for the freedom and flexibility. Above-average income helps. And traveling to exotic locations is nice ...But, the biggest part of my writer's life vision is living in another country."

What Beau didn't realize how his decision to become a copywriter would make this dream possible.

Moving to another country requires applying for a visa to gain permanent residency, a process that can be extremely challenging and very expensive.

But for Beau, this was not going to be a problem.

"It turns out the Canadian government targets certain skill groups for immigration. These groups are highly valued. They are fast-tracked for permanent residency. In some cases, in a few months. Guess which skill group is on that list...copywriting!" Beau says.

Because of the benefits the creative field brings to its businesses, Canada welcomes writers and other artists who contribute to the cultural and economic growth of the country.

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Amazed by the good fortune his career choice as a copywriter brought him, Beau and his wife began the process for applying for permanent residency and eventual citizenship right away.

To learn more about how you can achieve the writer's life and the perks that come with it, [click here](#).