



July 10, 2023

Service Canada Centre – Passport Services  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

**Re:**  
**Applicant: Michael Thiessen**

Dear Sir/Madam

This letter is submitted in support of the application of the above-mentioned Applicant for admission to the U.S. as a business visitor.

D2L Corporation (“D2L”) and its wholly-owned subsidiary D2L Ltd. are world-leading providers of enterprise eLearning solutions that enable institutions and other organizations to create teaching and learning environments that reflect their vision, values, goals, pedagogical approaches and branding. D2L and its subsidiaries support learners worldwide and the company’s clients include institutions of higher education and K-12 schools, as well as associations, government entities and other leading organizations. Founded in 1999, D2L is headquartered in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada with personnel located in North America, Europe, Singapore, Brazil and Australia. For more information, visit the company’s website at [www.D2L.com](http://www.D2L.com).

In furtherance of the Applicant’s responsibilities, it is necessary for the Applicant to enter the U.S. for the purpose of attending D2L’s annual FUSION Conference being held at the Anaheim Marriott located at 700 W Convention Way Anaheim, CA 92802, during the week of July 10, 2023. The Applicant has significant ties to Canada that will ensure the Applicant’s return to Canada upon the conclusion of the Conference. At all times during the Applicant’s visit to the U.S., the Applicant will be employed and compensated by D2L Corporation, the Canadian entity. The Applicant will continue to receive all employment benefits normally offered to employees of D2L who are living and working in Canada. All of the Applicant’s travel and related expenses will be guaranteed and paid by D2L.

We would respectfully request that you permit the Applicant to enter the U.S. for the purposes outlined in this letter. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Ruppie Gidda'.

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