

STUDY IN O CANADA

From dramatic landscapes to bustling cities and every town in between, experience student life in Canada!

Ranked as the second largest country in the world, Canada is made up of 10 provinces and three territories. It is a sparsely populated country, most of the population live close to the US-Canada border where the main urban areas such as Vancouver, Montreal, Quebec are. The name Canada comes from the word 'kanata' which means 'settlement' or 'village' in the language of the indigenous St Lawrence Iroquoians.

Canada has two official languages: English and French. Almost half of the population can speak both languages. The majority of Canadians speak English as their first language, with French being the main language in the Quebec province. In Quebec also almost half of the population is bilingual.

Most of the Canadian families have roots in England and France, as the French and British colonised the country and thus many families from 'the old world' immigrated into Canada. Among the indigenous people in Canada are the Métis, the First Nations People and the Inuit.

How amazing would it be to explore some of Canada's beautiful varied landscapes! You could go hiking in the majestic mountains or in the forested valleys, and try out kayaking or fishing in one of the beautiful blue rivers and lakes - which

contain about 20 percent of all fresh water on Earth - are full of fish such as trout and salmon.

Canada's remote north and extensive forests are home to lots of wonderful wildlife, from bears, wolves, deer, mountain lions, beavers and bighorn sheep, to smaller animals such as raccoons, otters and rabbits.

High school or secondary school as it is called in Canada typically starts in year 9 to year 12, except in Quebec where it starts in year 7 to 12. School hours are usually from 8:30am until 2:30pm. Extracurricular activities and sports are scheduled after school hours for you to enjoy!



PROGRAM INFO

English Program*

Programs	Travel Dates	Application Deadline	COST (from AUD)
One semester	August - December / January - July	1st April 2020	\$19,000.00
One full school year	January - July	1st October 2020	\$19,950.00
One full school year	August - July	1st April 2020	\$19,950.00

French Program**

Programs	Travel Dates	Application Deadline	COST (from AUD)
One semester	August - December / January - July	1st April 2020	\$21,150.00
One full school year	January - July	1st October 2020	\$22,250.00
One full school year	August - July	1st April 2020	\$22,250.00

Important Information

- Age: Between 14 and 17 years of age on departure
- Language pre-requisite: Not required but French is recommended if applying for the French program
- VISA cost not included
- * Students will be placed in volunteer host families anywhere in the English-speaking provinces of Canada
- ** Students will be placed in volunteer host families anywhere in the Quebec-speaking provinces of Canada
- **High School enrolment cost included in the fee



The population of Canada is 37.5 million.



The capital city of Canada is Ottawa. The official languages spoken in Canada is English French. The official money used is the Canadian Dollar \$.



Toronto and Montréal are the two Canadian cities with subway systems. Calgary, Edmonton and Ottawa have efficient light-rail systems. Buses are the most common form of public transportation, and practically all towns have their own systems. Most are commuter-oriented and offer only limited or no services in the evenings and on weekends. Cycling is a popular means of getting around during the warmer months, and many cities have hundreds of kilometres of dedicated bike paths.



Food varies widely depending on the regions of the nation. The earliest cuisines of Canada have First Nations, English, Scottish and French roots, with the traditional cuisine of English Canada closely related to British cuisine, while the traditional cuisine of French Canada has evolved from French cuisine and the winter provisions of fur traders. Some of their famous dishes are: poutine, beaver tails, Canadian pizza, butter tarts, nanaimo bars, split pea soup, tourtière, etc.



Winters can be harsh in many parts of the country, particularly in the interior and Prairie provinces, where daily average temperatures are near -15 °C, but can drop below -40 °C. In non-coastal regions, snow can cover the ground for almost six months of the year, while in parts of the north snow can persist year-round. On the east and west coasts, average high temperatures can range from low 20s °C to 30 °C in summer, with temperatures in some interior locations occasionally exceeding 40 °C.