

# Learn English in Vancouver

SHORT-TERM ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION PROGRAMS



Langara.

THE COLLEGE OF HIGHER LEARNING.

The Langara campus is located 15 minutes from downtown Vancouver in a residential area of the city. The campus neighbourhood features a golf course, parks, a community centre, and a variety of shops and restaurants.

#### **ABOUT LANGARA**

Langara is a government-funded college that provides university, career, and continuing studies to 21,000 students every year, including over 1,700 international students from more than 60 countries.

Students in English language programs at Langara have access to many student facilities. These include media-ready classroom space, study spaces, gymnasium, library, food outlets, and Langara Students' Union building with cafés, bicycle repair, and lounge space.

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION**

English Language Instruction (ELI) at Langara offers flexibility for duration of studies and course content to meet individual and group needs. Our programs are designed to provide students with an enjoyable learning experience that gives them the opportunity to improve English communication.

The curriculum for the program follows a theme-based, integrated skills approach to language learning that is designed to develop the students' speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills. Qualified ELI instructors present interesting lessons that are designed to help students become confident in expressing their thoughts and ideas, both in and outside of the classroom. Custom topics can be designed to meet specific requirements and may include early childhood education, business, health sciences, or social sciences.

#### **SPRING/SUMMER ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS (SELP)**

SELP is a three or four week program of language and cultural study in Vancouver. The program gives students an opportunity to improve their English, learn about Canadian culture, and take part in exciting recreation activities.

#### **GROUP PROGRAMS**

Custom programs allow groups of students to improve their English language skills while learning about topics related to their area of study. These programs can be set with a custom length and content theme, to meet specific language training needs. The average program is three weeks but groups can specify any length from two weeks to four months.

Off-site locations that relate to a custom topic theme of study may also be arranged.

Langara College is centrally located in Vancouver, Canada – a city that is consistently recognized as one of the most beautiful and livable places in the world.



### EXPLORE

Explore is an intensive five-week course for French-speaking Canadian students and international students. It is an exciting opportunity to study English with Canadian university students.

### ARRIVING IN VANCOUVER

On the first day of the program, students take part in orientation activities and receive important program information, safety and security instruction, and a tour of the college.

### ACTIVITIES AND SITE VISITS

Local activities are often decided through discussion between the group organizer and Langara administrator. Seasonal activities may include afternoon visits to the Museum of Vancouver or the Vancouver Aquarium, daytrips to Whistler Blackcomb Ski Resort, or seasonal recreational activities such as kayaking (summer) or snowshoeing (winter).

### CLOSING CEREMONY

On the last day of the program, students attend a Closing Ceremony in which they give short speeches or performances, and receive a Certificate of Completion and report card. This ceremony is attended by the host families and program staff and is followed by a reception during which everyone enjoys refreshments, takes photographs and shares their memories of the program.

### ACCOMMODATION

Students who choose to live in homestay are placed with carefully selected host families who give them the chance to learn about Canadian culture, to communicate in English and to participate in daily family activities.

Homestay students are greeted at the airport and are given a comprehensive overview of the city's transit system and information about how to obtain emergency assistance if they are lost.

### SAMPLE SCHEDULE

	9:00 am – noon	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
<b>MONDAY</b>	ELI	In class presentation
<b>TUESDAY</b>	ELI	ELI
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	ELI	Vancouver excursion
<b>THURSDAY</b>	ELI	Free afternoon / site visit
<b>FRIDAY</b>	ELI	ELI

*"I'm beyond grateful to my SELP experience. SELP is a unique program with both language and culture immersion - not just to the Canadian language and its own culture per se, but helping us all come to appreciate the open, diversified, and embracing nature inherent within this great country, evidenced by the simple but powerful diversity our SELP cohort exhibited."*

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