STUDY ENGLISH IN VANCOUVER

SPRING/SUMMER ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM









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Langara College, a public post-secondary institution, is located in beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia. Langara provides programs to more than 16,000 students annually, including close to 3,000 international students. The Spring/ Summer English Language Program (SELP) allows students to improve their English skills and to broaden their cultural understanding through classroom activities, off-campus educational visits, and cultural activities.

PROGRAM DETAILS

SPRING
February 8 – 26, 2027

SUMMER
August 3-20, 2027

Full-time program
Approximately 25 hours of instruction and activities per week.



THE PROGRAM

SELP is open to students of all language levels.

The program helps students improve their fluency, build confidence, and strengthen their communication skills through different activities such as pair-work, group projects, and educational and socio-cultural outings.

Instructors assess students throughout the program, basing their assessment on participation, achievement, and attendance. At the end of the program, students participate in a closing ceremony when they receive a certificate of completion and graded report card.

Language classes focus on weekly themes:

Week One | English Essentials
A focus on the information, language, and resources that students need during their time in Vancouver.

Week Two | Cultural Studies
An exploration of cultural differences and similarities. Students are introduced to the theories of deep and surface culture and of intercultural communication. They also learn about the importance of non-verbal communication, small talk, and culture shock.

Week Three | English in Social Media
A look at how digital platforms shape the way we communicate and express ourselves. Students explore the language of social media and learn how to share ideas, stories, and opinions in digital spaces.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 am 12:00 pm	English Language Instruction	English Language Instruction	English Language Instruction	English Language Instruction	English Language Instruction
	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break
1:00 pm 3:00 pm	Project Based Learning	Vancouver Aquarium	Project Based Learning	Project Based Learning	Museum of Vancouver

OFF-CAMPUS EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL OUTINGS

Students participate in several off-campus activities to learn about Vancouver and interact with locals.

SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

Vancouver Aquarium
Students learn about the local marine environment, visit exhibits, watch a show in the 4D theatre, and listen to presentations made by aquarium staff and care takers.

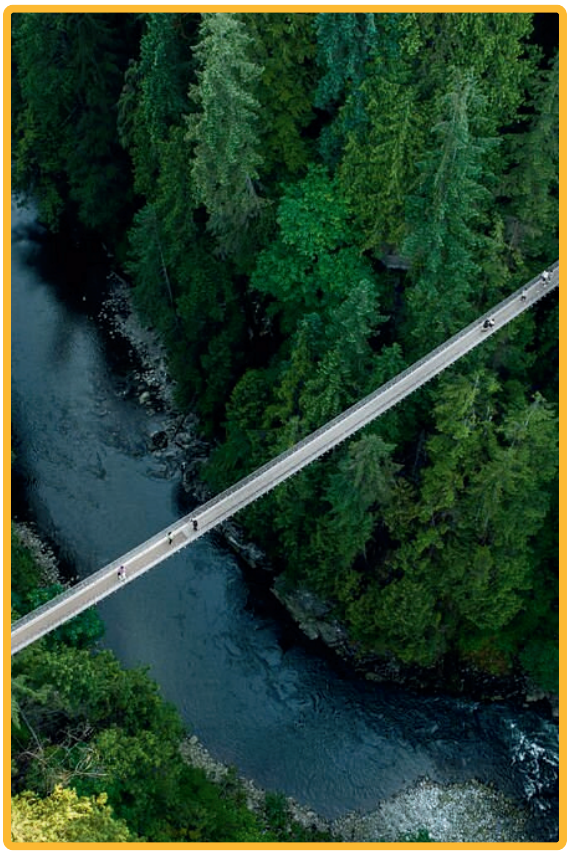


Museum of Vancouver
Students discover Indigenous heritage, learn how Vancouver evolved into a modern metropolis, and engage with exhibits on art, design, and sustainability.



Granville Island Educational Outing
At one of Vancouver's most vibrant cultural districts, students explore the Public Market and practise their English in a real-world setting by interacting with local vendors and artists.





Capilano Suspension Bridge
A visit to the famous suspension bridge located high above the Capilano River in North Vancouver. At the park, students walk across the bridge, learn about the coastal rainforest, visit the Story Centre, walk through the Treetop Adventure, take the Cliffwalk, and learn about First Nations people.



Kayaking (summer only)
A fun afternoon in Deep Cove, where experienced guides help students learn to kayak, take them on a guided tour, and teach them about local history and wildlife. This is a unique opportunity to explore Vancouver from a different perspective: from the water that surrounds it.

STUDENT LIFE

Our program offers more than just language learning —it is a cultural immersion experience!

INSTRUCTORS

Our experienced instructors are selected not only for their teaching skills, but also for their intercultural awareness and commitment to helping students achieve success.





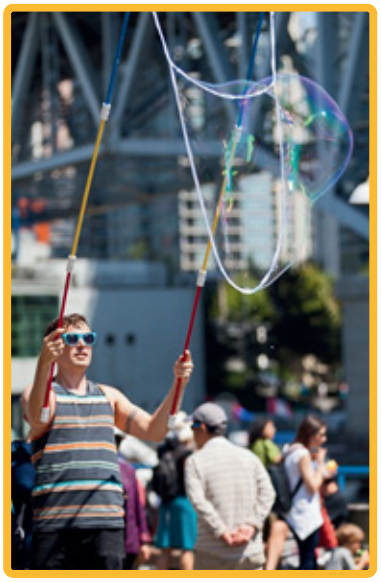
PROJECT BASED LEARNING

Most afternoons, students work on group projects that may include researching local tourist attractions, comparing and contrasting cultures, or creating a social media post—all designed to help them work collaboratively while exploring relevant, real-life, and engaging topics.

HOMESTAY

Students in the program can choose to stay with host families who welcome them into their homes, introduce them to the city, and help them practise their English. Students learn about local culture through involvement in daily family life and activities.







FREE-TIME ACTIVITIES

After class, students can take advantage of the many fun and interesting places to visit in Vancouver. Popular tourist locations include Queen Elizabeth Park (located near Langara), Grouse Mountain, Van Dusen Gardens, Metrotown shopping centre, and Gastown.
For more information about Vancouver, please visit: www.tourismvancouver.com

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