# WHY CHOOSE TO STUDY IN OUR VANCOUVER SCHOOL?

### 5 reasons to study here

- Consistently rated in the top 3 most liveable cities in the world
- Offers TOEFL iBT®, Cambridge and IELTS exam preparation courses
- School is an IELTS exam center
- Explore the vibrant neighborhoods of Granville Island, Gastown, and Commercial Drive
- Enjoy weekend trips to Seattle, Whistler, the Rocky Mountains, and Vancouver Island

#### Location and contact information

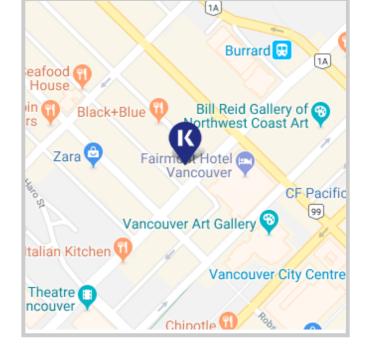
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AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE: 1993
PROVIDING ENGLISH COURSES 1988

SINCE:















### **School information**

SCHOOL DIRECTOR: Lynne Gladstone

TOTAL NUMBER OF 25 (Full-time teachers 14) TEACHERS:

LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY Arabic, Japanese, Spanish, Mandarin,

STAFF: Korean

TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS: All teachers have a level of education

normally represented by a degree and they also have a CELTA or equivalent qualification. Some also hold the higher level DELTA qualification, PGCE, or MA in

applied linguistics

## **Accreditations and memberships**







### Is this school an exam center?

Yes, it is an IELTS exam center.



## **ABOUT THE SCHOOL**

NUMBER OF BUILDINGS:

NUMBER OF FLOORS:

1

No

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS:

SROOMS: 14

SCHOOL FACILITIES:

Elevator, air conditioning, heating, Wi-Fi, computer lab/ multimedia center, vending machine, sun terrace/

patio, student lounge/common room

WHEELCHAIR / DISABLED ACCESS:

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES:

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED: Accommodation, Airport transfer, University Placement Service, Medical Insurance

EXTRA COST OF OTHER SERVICES: See our price list

NUMBER OF COMPUTERS AVAILABLE: 47

LEVELS OF ENGLISH OFFERED: All levels

FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL: Orientation starts every Monday at 8:15. This includes a placement test, information about the school and

city, and a walking tour of the local area. Classes start on Tuesdays. On their first day, students are

expected to bring their passport, visa, and proof of medical insurance.







#### SAMPLE CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning	Afternoon		
CLASS:	08:10 - 09:40	CLASS:	14:40 - 16:10
BREAK:	09:40 - 09:50	BREAK:	16:10 - 16:20
CLASS:	09:50 - 11:20	CLASS:	16:20 - 17:50

### SAMPLE SPECIFIC SKILLS CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning class Afternoon class (Monday to Friday) (Monday to Friday)

11:30 - 12:40 13:20 - 14:30

#### **SCHOOL MATERIALS**

MATERIALS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS:

 $\mbox{K+ Course Books, K+ Learning Clubs, K+ Learning Space, K+ Extra, Interactive whiteboards} \label{eq:K+ Course Books}$ 

IS THERE A BOOK DEPOSIT?

No

IS THERE A MATERIALS FEE?
Yes (Price: \$10/week)







### **Courses and students**

COURSES PROVIDED AT THIS SCHOOL: General English, Semi-Intensive English, Intensive English, Academic Year, Academic Semester, Business

Supplementary, TOEFL IBT & Academic English Exam Preparation, IELTS Exam Preparation (test center),

Cambridge Preparation, English for Academic Pathways, Tailored Group Programs

SPECIAL / EXTRA COURSES PROVIDED: None

AVERAGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS: 11-15

MINIMUM AGE OF STUDENTS: 16

AVERAGE AGE OF STUDENTS: 20-25

STUDENTS PER AGE GROUP: Under 18: 3% / 18-21: 30% / 22-25: 28% / 26-30: 17% / Over 30: 22%

TOP 10 STUDENT NATIONALITIES: S.Korea, Japan, Switzerland, Mexico, Brazil, Columbia, Chile, France, Turkey

# School location and transport

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	5 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	10 minutes	10 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	10 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	10 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	5 minutes	5 minutes	10 minutes	N/A







### **AIRPORT TRANSPORT**

CLOSEST AIRPORT: Vancouver International Airport

	Line or Number	Cost	Duration
Airport to city center by bus:	N/A	N/A	N/A
Airport to city center by train:	Canada Line	\$9.50	25 minutes
International train station to city center:	VIA	\$3.25	15 minutes



## ABOUT VANCOUVER

NAME OF LOCATION: Vancouver

FAMOUS LANDMARKS: Stanley Park, Grouse Mountain, Olympic Cauldron, Granville Island

CUISINES WITHIN A 20-MINUTE WALK: American, British, Chinese, European, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, Middle Eastern,

Seafood, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, Vegetarian, Vegan

TRANSPORT WITHIN A 10-MINUTE WALK: Buses, Skytrain, Canada line

TOP 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS CITY: 1) Surrounded by incredible nature and landscape, 2) A thriving multicultural city easy to find their own

community including amazing restaurants with cuisines from all over the world, 3) One of the most transit friendly cities in North America, 4) A welcoming and safe city no matter your race, gender, sexual orientation, 5) An abundance of outdoor activities to do in summer (hiking, camping) & winter (skiing,

snow-sports)

WHAT MAKES THIS CITY UNIQUE? Many beautiful parks and museums close to the school. The City of Vancouver is on the traditional

> territories of three Local First Nations: The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh. Enjoy the stunning ocean and mountain views from beautiful beaches or from a world famous park right in the heart of a

vibrant city.

ALTERNATIVE THINGS TO DO: Explore the local art galleries, see a different side of the city on a harbor cruise, climb The Grouse Grind

(Grouse Mountain), brave the 2 suspension bridges, go whale watching

CITY PERSONALITY: Active nightlife, bike-friendly, coffee haven, creative, cultural, eco-friendly, friendly, hiking, iconic, laid-back,

natural landscape, picturesque, professional, snowboarding or skiing, sports scene, unique, vibrant,

youthful

#### Examples of nearby cities to visit

SEATTLE Travel time: 3 hours, price of round ticket: \$120, may need a US visa

WHISTLER Travel time: 2 hours, price of return ticket: \$70

### Regular social activities

HIKING	Free
CANUCKS HOCKEY GAME	\$70
INDOOR TRAMPOLINE PARK	\$20
BOWLING	\$20
PAINTBALL	\$25
BIKE RIDE AROUND STANLEY PARK	\$15

## Typical 2-week social schedule

Days	First week	Second week	
MON	New student orientation and city walking tour	New student orientation and city walking tour	
TUE	Bike around Stanley Park	Vancouver Art Gallery	
WED	Paintball	Burger and beer night	
THU	Indoor trampoline	Zumba	
FRI	Hike Deep Cove	Capilano Suspension Bridge	
SAT	Club ESL: Whistler	Club ESL: Victoria	

Number of Social activities per week: 6





#### LIVING COST (SAMPLE PRICES FOR ITEMS IN THIS CITY)

• Bottle of water: \$2

• Cinema ticket: \$15

Meal out for two: \$40

Local one zone bus ticket: \$3.15

• Coffee: \$2

• Takeaway pizza: \$15-20

• Local one zone train ticket: \$3.10

Can of coke: \$2

Sandwich: \$12

Bike rental around Stanley Park: \$15

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## VIVA TOWER APARTMENTS







ADDRESS: 1311 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2P3, Canada

WEBSITE: N/A

ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Multi-bedroom apartments, (apartments are mixed gender but bedrooms are not), some twin rooms have

bunkbeds, shared and mixed male and female bathroom(s) in the apartment, shower, bath, private kitchen,

lounge/common area and dining area.

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Laundry, Wi-Fi, linen and towels, cleaning of common areas every two weeks, students are responsible for

tidying up after themselves, removing garbage

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: No

BEDROOM: Wardrobe/ closet, desk, lamp, chair

KITCHEN: Pots & pans, cooking utensils, cutlery & crockery, microwave, oven, stovetop, toaster, coffee maker, kettle,

blender, fridge, dishwasher, washing machine, tumble dryer, iron and ironing board

FACILITIES: Gym

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: No

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Granville Island, Yaletown, Robson St. shopping area, Alberni St shopping area, beaches

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED? Yes – until 23:00

NOISE RESTRICTIONS? Yes (From 23:00 - 9:00)

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE? No 24-HOUR SECURITY? Yes

ROOM CLEANING: Cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms, common areas of suites cleaned

every two weeks

LINEN CHANGING: Linen cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for cleaning their own linen

AVAILABILITY: For students 18+

MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? No

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES: Check-in: Saturday & Sunday 16:00 - 21:00 / Check-out: Saturday 10:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? Yes; Price: \$300 to be paid before arrival

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (Vancouver):	12 minutes	5 minutes	15 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	10 minutes	5 minutes	10 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	10 minutes	N/A	15 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the main airport:	N/A	N/A	45 minutes	25 minutes



# KING EDWARD TOWNHOUSES







ADDRESS: 431 - 443 W King Edward Avenue, Vancouver

WEBSITE: N/A

ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Multi-bedroom apartments, (apartments are mixed gender but bedrooms are not), some twin rooms have

bunkbeds, shared and mixed male and female bathroom(s) in the apartment, shower, bath, private kitchen,

lounge/common area and dining area.

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Laundry, Wi-Fi, bi-weekly cleaning of common areas, students are responsible for tidying up after

themselves

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: Cleaning available at extra cost

BEDROOM: Wardrobe/ closet, desk, lamp, chair

KITCHEN: Pots & pans, cooking utensils, cutlery & crockery, microwave, oven, stovetop, fridge, dishwasher, washing

machine, tumble dryer,

FACILITIES: Multifunctional social lounge

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: No

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Queen Elizabeth Park, VanDusen Botanical Garden, Nat Bailey Stadium

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED? Yes – until 23:00

NOISE RESTRICTIONS? Yes (From 23:00 - 9:00)

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE? No

24-HOUR SECURITY? Yes; 24-hour centrally monitored security services

ROOM CLEANING: Cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms, common areas of suites cleaned

bi-weekly

LINEN CHANGING: Linen cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for cleaning their own linen

AVAILABILITY: For students 18+

MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? No

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES: Check-in: Saturday & Sunday 16:00 - 21:00 / Check-out: Saturday 10:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? Yes; Price: \$300 to be paid before arrival

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (Vancouver):	N/A	30 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	10 minutes	5 minutes	10 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	10 minutes	N/A	15 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	N/A	30 minutes	20 minutes	20 minutes
Time to the main airport:	N/A	N/A	45 minutes	25 minutes



# **HOST FAMILY INFORMATION**







THINGS STUDENTS NEED TO BRING:

**SERVICES INCLUDED:** 

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:

MEALS PROVIDED:

Toiletries, personal items to make their room feel like home, prescription medication, a small gift for your host family (not required), phone card, cell/mobile phone

Bed linen, towels, telephone use for emergencies, students need to make sure to discuss laundry with their host family after arrival as laundry facilities will depend on your individual homestay.

No

Yes (depends on booking type)

Å&& BREAKFAST: Breakfast is usually a light meal consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, juice, or coffee.

Hosts will usually ask you to prepare your own breakfast.

 $\hat{A} \in C$  LUNCH: You will be responsible for buying your own lunch, from a local restaurant, or the

local shops.

 $\hat{A} \in C$  DINNER: You will usually eat dinner with your host, or occasionally you may prepare your

own meal with food supplied by your host.

WILL THE HOMESTAY ARRANGE TO PICK UP THE STUDENT FROM THE AIRPORT?

TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL:

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED? ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

No

Your host will help you plan your way to and from school on your first day and explain how to use public transport.

North Shore, Burnaby, New Westminster, West, South or East Vancouver, Coquitlam, Surrey, Richmond Homestays are 45-75 minutes of commute time to the school; students can expect very diverse families, including single parent and single individuals, male and female hosts; Vancouver has many different ethnic neighborhoods.