



Adventures in Life...
Success in Learning



Where We Are



College of the Rockies is located in the southeastern corner of the Province of British Columbia, Canada.

Surrounded by the Rocky Mountains, the College is in the centre of a world famous recreation environment featuring:

- spectacular mountain setting
- forests for hiking and camping
- well-known skiing/snowboarding area within 30 minutes drive from the campus
- relaxed lifestyle with no crowds!



College of the Rockies main campus is in the city of Cranbrook, BC

- population 20,000
- dry and sunny climate
- safe, clean and very friendly modern city
- low cost of living
- one hour drive from the USA border and three hour drive to scenic Banff
- daily flights from Vancouver (90 minutes) and Calgary (45 minutes)

The Community



Cranbrook has many facilities and services within walking distance of the College:

- heated indoor swimming pool
- new cinema complex
- department stores including Wal-Mart
- three major supermarkets
- shopping malls
- recreation complex – home of the Kootenay Ice hockey team
- Key City Theatre hosting live musical performances and plays
- numerous fast food and other restaurants
- all major Canadian banks
- regional hospital
- Cranbrook Golf Course beside the College
- Community Forest for hiking and mountain biking also located next to College
- affordable public transit system with bus route to the college



Why College in Canada?



Why Canada?

- well-known for offering a very high quality education
- public educational system is an affordable alternative to the USA, UK or Australia

What is a community college?

A community college is a public post-secondary educational institution that offers both career programs and university courses. In a college:

- most programs are one or two years
- classes are small and interactive
- instructors are highly qualified and dedicated to student success
- program quality is high due to government regulations
- tuition fees are very reasonable
- students receive extra support
- most students are local Canadians
- in the BC college system, students can easily transfer to universities in Canada and receive credit for many college courses and programs. For more information, see www.bccat.bc.ca

College of the Rockies is a publicly funded, provincially accredited community college:

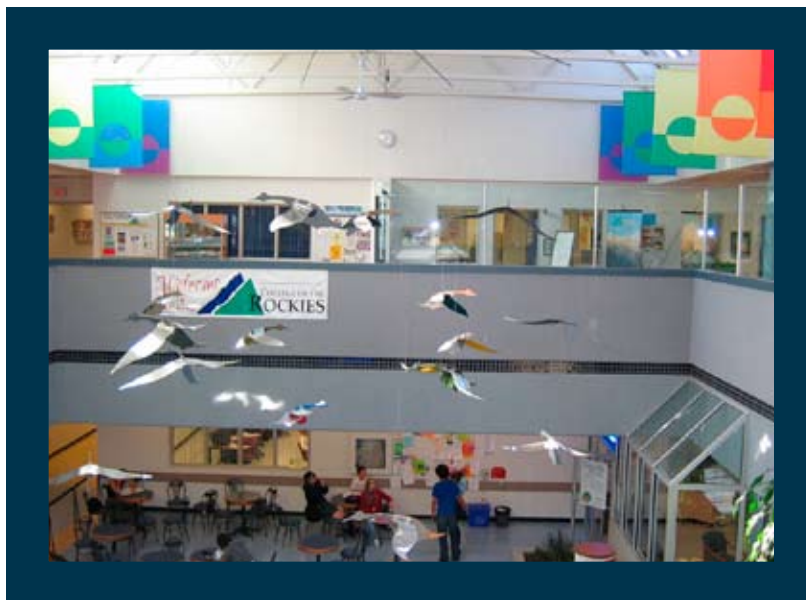
- established in 1975
- regulated by the Province of British Columbia, Ministry of Advanced Education
- more than 1500 full-time and 3000 part-time Canadian students
- over 100 international students from around the world
- small class sizes
- highly qualified teaching staff dedicated to giving each student personal attention
- member of BC's public college/university transfer system

About the Campus



Our Cranbrook campus is a clean, bright and modern building featuring:

- up-to-date computers – easy to access with free Internet and multi-language capabilities
- library and study areas
- bookstore
- cafeteria
- exercise and weight room
- indoor climbing wall
- outdoor sports field and track
- gymnasium – plenty of free time available for international students



We also offer many services for students:

- on-campus student residence/dormitory – international students welcome all year
- Recreation Activity Coordinators – provide activities for students on and off campus
- International Student Advisors/Homestay Coordinator
- Academic Advisors

Accommodation



College of the Rockies offers a choice of accommodation. Students can choose either

- homestay with a Canadian host OR
- on-campus housing at our dormitory/residence (www.cotr.bc.ca/residence)

There are also several apartment buildings close to the College for students who choose to make their own arrangements.

Homestay

Homestay with a Canadian family is a great choice for new international students. The college carefully selects host families to provide a safe, comfortable and friendly environment. Students are matched with hosts based on student requests on the Homestay Application Form. In homestay, students can:

- be part of a Canadian family
- meet Canadian friends
- learn about life in Canada and Canadian culture
- receive help and support
- enjoy unique activities with the homestay host
- learn English more quickly by practicing it at home

Homestay includes:

- a private furnished bedroom with bedding
- all meals and snacks eaten in the home and a bag lunch on school days
- access to TV and free laundry facilities
- FREE airport pick-up from Cranbrook Airport
- only one or two international students per home
- if two students, must be from different home countries to promote English use

Students pay host families directly in advance each month.



- NO homestay application fee
- two weeks notice is required to withdraw from homestay or change locations
- students can change homestays for no extra fee if they are not satisfied
- homestays are located within easy walking distance of a public transit bus stop

Purcell House student residence on-campus

The student residence welcomes Canadian and international students 12 months of the year. The residence is a great place to meet Canadian college students and enjoy campus life. Features of the residence include:

- all PRIVATE, SINGLE furnished bedrooms
- convenient three minute walk to classrooms
- clean, secure and modern building located beside the community forest
- apartment "pod" style – each pod contains six bedrooms, two bathrooms, one kitchen and one living room
- common lounges for all residents includes TVs, vending machines and fireplace
- coin laundry facilities
- cable TV, telephone and internet access available in each room for an additional monthly fee
- live-in Residence Advisors to assist students and provide social activities
- free pick-up from Cranbrook Airport

Students living in residence are expected to:

- purchase and prepare their own meals in the kitchen or purchase meals from the college cafeteria on weekdays (large grocery stores are within walking distance of the campus)
- provide their own bedding, dishes and cookware – these items can be cheaply purchased at local department stores
- share in cleaning duties with other residents

Applications can be submitted on-line at <http://www.cotr.bc.ca/residence/application.htm>

Application and Admission Process



College of the Rockies' admission process is easy... just follow these steps:

- 1. COMPLETE THE ON-LINE APPLICATION FORM** at <http://www.cotr.bc.ca/internl/apply.htm>
- 2. PAY CDN\$100 NON-REFUNDABLE TUITION DEPOSIT** by international bank draft, bank transfer or credit card. You will receive a message by e-mail to confirm receipt of your application and provide detailed payment instructions.
- 3. IF ACCEPTED, YOU WILL BE SENT AN OFFICIAL LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE** after we receive both the tuition deposit and application for admission. At the time of acceptance, students are admitted to College programs generally, but not to specific courses. All admissions are subject to students arriving before semester deadlines. Students must be at least 18 years old to attend.
- 4. APPLY FOR A CANADA STUDY PERMIT** at a Canadian Embassy if you plan to study for more than six months; **No study permit is required for study less than six months.** The official letter of acceptance must be included in your study permit application. You should make the study permit application at least three months before the start of classes to allow for study permit processing. Information on the study permit process can be viewed at <http://www.cic.gc.ca>
- 5. PAY THE REMAINDER OF YOUR TUITION FEES** when you arrive at the College. Registration in individual classes cannot be completed until semester tuition and student fees are paid in full. Financial aid and scholarships are not available for international students.

English Requirements for Academic Programs

If English is not your first language, the College offers **CONDITIONAL and **UNCONDITIONAL** acceptance for academic programs:**

UNCONDITIONAL acceptance allows students to proceed to a full load of four to six academic courses per semester. An English Language Assessment is not needed. Requirements are:

- TOEFL score of at least 550, or
- CBT 213, or
- iBT 80, or
- IELTS 6, or
- English 12/90 in Canada, or
- completion of College of the Rockies English Language Training

Students with **CONDITIONAL** acceptance must complete our English Language Assessment before registration in academic courses. Test results will determine if a student must take the English Language Training (ESL) program, or can proceed directly to a full academic program.

- ESL students may take one to three academic courses per semester with their English program, depending on their English level. There is no extra tuition fee for these academic courses.



- NO TOEFL score is required for students who complete the English Language Training program

College of the Rockies programs that offer conditional acceptance are:

- Applied Business Technology
- Applied Computer Certificate
- Business Administration
- College Preparation/High School Completion
- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Education
- Human Service Worker
- Human Kinetics
- Recreation Management
- Tourism Management
- University Transfer/Associate Degrees

International students are welcome in the following programs if they first meet the requirements for unconditional acceptance.

Students must also meet the special requirements for each program.

- Culinary Arts
- Collision Repair Technician
- Adventure Tourism Business Operations
- Mountain Adventure Skills Training
- International Expedition and Leadership
- Resident Care/Home Support Attendant
- Network Support Technician/Database Administrator

English Language Training (ESL)

Students from all over the world attend College of the Rockies' English Language Training (ESL) program.

This program is for students:

- preparing for academic programs in Canada and/or
- improving communication skills
- minimum age 18 years old; mature students welcome

The program is designed to improve all language areas:

- listening
- speaking
- communication/conversation
- pronunciation
- reading
- writing
- vocabulary

The ESL schedule consists of:

- 15–22 hours per week of classes depending on level
- mornings and afternoons, five days per week, Monday–Friday

All classes are interactive and include cultural information.

English Language Training (ESL)

*Multiple levels (four months to complete each level)

English Language Assessment will determine student's ESL level

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University Transfer Courses

*one to three courses per semester for students in the top four levels



University Transfer Programs

*Students can complete the first two years of study towards a Bachelor Degree



Transfer to University in Canada

University of British Columbia (UBC) • Simon Fraser University (SFU)
University of Victoria (UVic) • and many other universities in Canada

*two to three years for a Bachelor Degree

**Completion times for programs vary based upon program selection and student ability*

Levels are available for all language abilities:

- multiple levels of ESL
- students are placed in the appropriate level after completion of the English Language Assessment
- approximately four months to complete a level
- during the fall and winter semesters, students in the top three levels of the English Language Training program may take one to three academic courses with Canadian students

for audit or credit (number of courses allowed depends on level)

- during the spring and summer semesters, three or four levels are offered
- students who complete all levels of the ESL program may take university level English courses offered at the College; university level English courses are required for all undergraduate degree programs in Canada
- short-term students are welcome to attend any semester for a minimum of six weeks

Program Mix

Programs available to international students include:

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING

– from basic to advanced level.

UNIVERSITY PREPARATION/HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION

– College of the Rockies offers the BC Adult Graduation Diploma equivalent to Canadian High School Graduation. High School level courses are offered in the following subject areas:

- English
- Math
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Computing
- Geography
- History
- Social Psychology

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS (one year or less)

- Early Childhood Education
- Human Service Worker
- Teacher Assistant
- Resident Care/Home Support Attendant
- Fine Arts – Creative Writing
- Applied Psychology
- Humanities
- Social Science
- Science
- Pre-Engineering

- Applied Business Technology
- Business Administration
- Culinary Arts (Cook Training)
- Fitness and Exercise Leadership
- Adventure Tourism Business Operations
- Mountain Activities Skills Training
- Winter Guide and Patrol Training
- International Expedition and Leadership
- Tourism Management
- Applied Computing
- Database Administrator
- Network Support Technician
- Event Management
- Automotive Service Technician
- Collision Repair Technician
- Heavy Duty Commercial Transport Mechanics

DIPLOMA PROGRAMS (two years)

- Administrative Studies
- Business Administration*
- Adventure Tourism Business Operations
- Tourism Management*
- Recreation Management*
- Human Kinetics*
- Early Childhood Education
- Child, Youth and Family Studies
- Criminal Justice*
- Environmental Studies*
- Environmental Science*

- Social Sciences – Economics*
- Humanities – English*
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*
- Associate of Arts (Associate Degree)*
- Associate of Science (Associate Degree)*

* University transferable – students will receive two years of credit towards a four year degree in selected universities

UNIVERSITY TRANSFER/ASSOCIATE DEGREES (one or two years)

College of the Rockies offers first and second year university level courses for credit towards a four year Bachelor's Degree in ALL fields of study. Our educational advisors can help ensure that the courses you choose are transferable to the university you would like to attend. For more information, see www.cotr.bc.ca/university

Subject areas include:

Sciences

- Astronomy
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computing
- Geography
- Geology
- Mathematics/Statistics
- Physics

International Student Program Pathways



Humanities/Fine Arts

- English
- French
- Philosophy
- Communications
- Creative Writing
- First Nations Studies
- Fine Arts
- History
- Spanish

Social Sciences

- Anthropology
- Psychology
- Political Science
- Women's Studies
- Economics
- Sociology

Business Administration

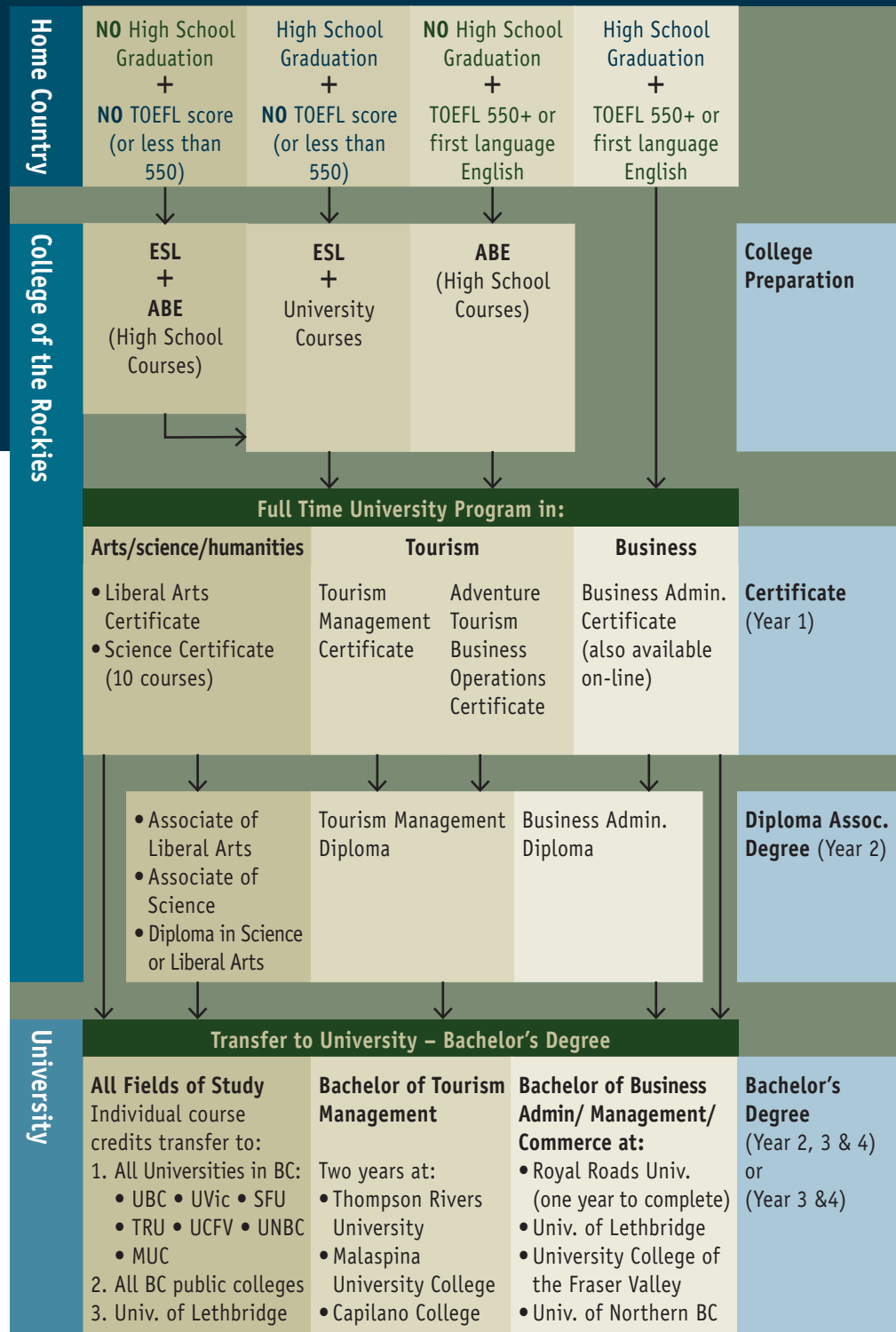
Child, Youth and Family Studies

Criminal Justice

Human Kinetics

Recreation Management

Tourism Management



Program Profiles



APPLIED BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY (ABT)

www.cotr.bc.ca/abt

The ABT certificate program provides office, business, and technical skills training in a self-paced modular format with individualized instruction. New students may enter the program on the first Monday of any month from September to May if space is available. A mix of computer, bookkeeping, and business communications courses give students a general knowledge of office work. After completing core courses, students may continue their training in one or more of the majors:

- Accounting
- General Office Assistant
- Integrated Office Systems

- Online and Desktop Production
- Word Processing
- Legal

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

www.cotr.bc.ca/BusinessAdmin

The Business Administration Program is designed for students interested in pursuing either the:

- Certificate – 10 courses at COTR
- Diploma – 20 courses at COTR
- Bachelors Degree after transfer to university

The first year (10 courses) covers the basic knowledge in the core areas of business and is accepted for credit by all the major universities including UBC. A Business Administration

certificate is awarded on completion of the first year. Second year courses allow students to attain recognized qualification in specialized areas such as accounting, general management, and marketing.

A Business Administration diploma graduate receives two years of credit towards a Bachelor of Business Administration, Management or Commerce Degree at these institutions:

- Athabasca University
- University of Northern BC
- Royal Roads University
- Thompson Rivers University
- University of Lethbridge
- Malaspina University College
- Univ. College of the Fraser Valley



- Kwantlen University College
- and many other universities

Students with a Business Administration Diploma may take one additional year of university level courses at College of the Rockies to complete a Bachelor of General Studies with a specialty in Administrative Studies granted by Athabasca University.

TOURISM MANAGEMENT

www.cotr.bc.ca/tourism

The Tourism Management Program is designed for students interested in pursuing either the:

- certificate (12 courses), or
- diploma (24 courses)

Graduates may enter a career in management training or entrepreneurial positions within the tourism industry.

Courses include:

- Tourism Management
- Business Administration
- Computers
- Recreation Management
- Work Experience Practicum

Students who earn a Tourism Management Diploma can receive two years of credit towards a four year Bachelor of Tourism Management Degree at Thompson Rivers University, Malaspina University College and Capilano College.

ADVENTURE TOURISM BUSINESS OPERATIONS

www.cotr.bc.ca/atbo

This 10 month program provides academic and practical training in the business of adventure tourism. Course work provides students with the business skills required in nature-based tourism businesses. The program consists of classroom study, lab work, field trip experiences, and culminates with a six week practicum allowing students to apply their knowledge and skills on the job while working alongside a practicing professional. Through exposure to existing adventure tourism businesses, students not only cover the industry standards, but

also acceptable levels of performance and safety procedures in the field.

The program includes the latest industry-developed training material, including these BC provincially-endorsed programs' standards:

- Adventure Tourism BC Standards and Certification for the Tourism Professional
- Outdoor Technical Skills and Association Standards
- Parks Canada Interpreters Certificate
- National Coaching Certification Theory Level I
- Commercial Recreation Management Plan
- Advanced Wilderness First Aid
- Avalanche Training
- Business Plan Development

Certification awarded upon successful completion. Students have the opportunity to attain direct experience from adventure tourism operators during the practicum.

RECREATION MANAGEMENT/ EVENT MANAGEMENT

www.cotr.bc.ca/RecManagement

The Recreation Management Program is for students interested in pursuing:

- Recreation Management Certificate (12 courses)
- Event Management Certificate (12 courses)
- Recreation Management Diploma (24 courses)
- Recreation Management Diploma with an Event Management Major (24 courses)

Recreation Management graduates are well positioned for career paths in public recreation services, recreation facility administration and leisure services within the tourism industry. Event Management students will gain skills in special events, conventions, and conference management. A work practicum is part of these programs.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

www.cotr.bc.ca/ece

This 10 month program offers a variety of learning activities including lectures, group discussions, individual

and group assignments, seminars, field trips and a community practicum placement. Completion of a program in Early Childhood Education from COTR is the first step in becoming a Certified Early Childhood Educator in BC. Students who complete the certificate program can continue for one more semester to obtain an Early Childhood Education diploma with specializations in Infant/Toddler or Special Needs.

PROFESSIONAL COOK TRAINING

www.cotr.bc.ca/culinary

COTR offers the three levels of the provincial Professional Cook Training program, providing practical experience in a fully-equipped training kitchen and formal dining room. Practical instruction includes soups, sauces, meat and fish cookery, vegetables, desserts, pastry, cold kitchen, and meat cutting. Graduates can find excellent opportunities in all areas of the food service industry.

- Level 1 Basic Core – 13 weeks
- Level 2 Advanced Cooking – 13 weeks
- Level 3 A la Carte, Banquet, and Specialty Cooking – 13 weeks

Advantages of Study at College of the Rockies



Location

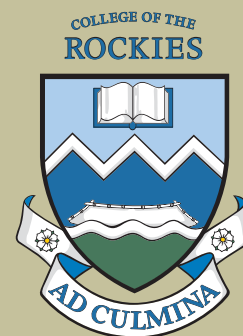
- spectacular mountain setting with skiing and hiking areas nearby
- small, safe, clean and friendly city with no crowds!
- modern college facilities within walking distance of mall and downtown
- opportunity to learn English quickly in a mainly English speaking College and community

Cost

- low cost of living
- affordable tuition fees

Support

- personal attention from qualified teachers
- small class sizes
- small number of international students
- caring homestay families with only one or two students per home
- modern on-campus student residence for international and Canadian students
- flexible start dates for ESL students
- opportunity to take university and vocational courses while still in ESL
- simple application procedure
- non-competitive admission policy
- easy transfer to universities such as UBC, Simon Fraser University, University of Victoria, and most Canadian universities



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