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Canadian Program

The Academic Year Program offers international students the opportunity to spend five to ten months living with a Canadian host family while studying at a Canadian Public or Private school. It is a great way to enjoy the benefits of the Canadian educational system and intensify the learning of English or French. Students stay with a host family while attending school.

The program offers high educational standards at different levels of difficulty. Each and every student's abilities are tested upon arrival to make sure they are learning at a comfortable level. Advanced levels of education are available for students that qualify as well. Students can have their grades validated or participate in graduation if school requirements are met. Our goal is to provide our students with a quality program that meets their needs. Therefore each program is very personalized. We strive to fulfill each and every student request!



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- All levels of English accepted
- ▶ Students can participate starting at age 11
- Students chose the city and school they wish to attend
- Graduation and CoValidation are both available
- Personalized home stays, academic schedules, and extracurricular activities
- Sports academies for Hockey, Golf and Soccer
- Weekend trips and activities



ALBERTA

Alberta is a beautiful province that offers a diverse range of landscapes. The southwestern corner of the province is dominated by mountains, such as the world famous Banff, and the foothills that build up from the prairie landscape. The southeastern portion of the province is part of the interior Great Plains of North America and has rich farmland in the north, livestock grazing in the south, and includes some desert-like canyons around the middle of the province. In the north, you will find all of the province's forest and lakes. With a population of just less than four million people, Alberta's residents are spread throughout a few major cities and many small towns. Edmonton and Calgary, two of the larger cities in Alberta, offer a log of shopping and entertainment.

Edmonton Public School District

Located in the heart of a region filled with more than a million people offering diverse opportunities to explore sports, recreation, personal growth and wellness. Edmonton is also the capital city of Alberta and is famous for its scenic river valley and a thriving music and art community. Located less than 300km north of Calgary, Edmonton is home to some of the best entertainment in the region. It is the home of North America's largest shopping and entertainment complex, West Edmonton Mall which houses a giant water park, a skating rink, two mini-golf courses, 21 movie theatres, a Vegas-style casino and an amusement park. Edmonton's vibrant population tends to spend their free time at the trendy Whyte Avenue district, which is situated next to the reputable University of Alberta.



Ross Sheppard









BRITISH COLUMBIA

British Columbia is populated with about four and a half million people and located along Canada's western coast. It is bordered by the Pacific Ocean in the west and the world famous Rocky Mountains in the east. Breathtaking landscapes and amazing views set British Columbia apart from the other provinces in Canada. Its geographical diversity creates an immense assortment of activities and adventures. There are mountains to climb, snowy peaks to ski, beaches to enjoy, forests to hike, parks to explore and warm summer lakes to laze about on. The summers are warm and the winters are mild. However, the mountains are covered in snow for the extent of the winter season.

Central Okanagan School District

Located in the south central mountains of British Columbia, with a population of over 160,000 the Okanagan valley is one of the most populated regions in British Columbia. This area is famous for its wineries, orchards, golf courses, and ski resorts which all contribute to its number one industry, tourism. Okanagan Lake is ideally located in a valley of the central mountains which are famous for winter activities such as skiing and snowboarding. The winters are short and mild with the temperature rarely falling below freezing while the summers are long and remain quite warm. This district offers specialized academies which allow students to earn credits while learning and practicing their favorite sports.

Sea to Sky School District

The beautiful Sea to Sky school district is located just north of Vancouver encompassing the three small towns of Squamish, Pemberton, and the host of the 2010 Olympics, Whistler. Sea to Sky offers a great range of school sizes and community lifestyles to choose from. All four schools have libraries, computer laboratories, gymnasiums, art, band, theatre and fully operational science labs. The international students are also given many opportunities to take field trips on the weekends and holidays. They have group days at the mountains, hiking and kayaking adventures, and even get to go visit the big city (Vancouver).

Rocky Mountain School District

Located within Canada's famous Rocky Mountains, the Rocky Mountain school district has been hosting international students since 1987. This area is great for students who truly love the outdoors. Each of the three high schools is located in a resort community with a world-class ski resort. In the summer, the ski resorts transform into a paradise for any person that enjoys mountain biking, hiking and golfing. Many sport and hobby specific programs such as outdoor education, ski patrol, equine studies, hockey academy, and soccer academy are offered as well. The Rocky Mountain school district also offers a great weekend activity program at no additional cost to all its international students. Some of the events include: white water rafting, learn to ski and snowboard, and weekend trips away to Banff, Jasper, Calgary, and Edmonton.







MANITOBA

Manitoba is a naturally rich and cultural province. Covered with lakes, rivers and national parks, Manitoba is a nature lover's dream. The northeast corner of the province borders the Hudson Sea which ultimately leads to the ocean. In late October, wildlife such as Polar Bears and Beluga Whales flock to this region making it the Polar Bear Capital of the World and the most accessible place in North America to see these magnificent creatures. In the south, life becomes much more urban. The southern region is home to Winnipeg, the capital city of Manitoba and the largest city in the province. Winnipeg has a population of over 685,000 people which makes up more than sixty percent of Manitoba's population.

River East Transcona School District

Located in Winnipeg, a multicultural and vibrant city located in southern Manitoba. Winnipeg is the business and cultural center of the province and the oldest city in western Canada. The city offers a variety of rich and diverse cultural events. Some of those include sports, entertainment and festivals. Winnipeg is surrounded by many historical towns offering students a wealth of history to learn about and enjoy. The River East Transcona School Division has many schools available to its International students. However, there are a few select schools that we recommend for our International Students.

Collegiate Schools

River East Collegiate Kildonan East Collegiate Transcona Collegiate Miles Macdonell Murdoch MacKay

NOVA SCOTIA

Nova Scotia is known as one of the friendliest places on earth. Its history is vibrant and culture rich. Nova Scotia is located along Canada's Atlantic coast. Therefore the sea plays a major role in the almost every aspect of Nova Scotia's culture. It also offers a wealth of activities from sailing, surfing, and swimming; to hiking, biking, and golfing. Nova Scotia's indigenous Algonquian people had been living off the area's bountiful waters for thousands of years before the first European explorers began their navigation and exploration. With a population of over 940,000, Nova Scotia is able to offer some extraordinary programs to their residents. The capital city is Halifax which acts as the economic hub of the region. With its endless list of opportunities and attractions, Nova Scotia makes a great place for any student to spend an academic year.



Nova Scotia Public School District

Nova Scotia is a safe, clean province with one of the best health care systems in the world. The Nova Scotia International Student Program is committed to providing an excellent education and home stay environment to all international students. Students are given the opportunity to choose from a variety of subjects focusing on arts, sciences, languages, and computers. The subjects are taught under the careful supervision of certified teachers. Students can also choose from a variety of extracurricular activities such as soccer, volleyball, basketball, curling, skiing, and creative art just to name a few.

The international student program in Nova Scotia is quite unique compared to the programs offered in other Canadian provinces. This program consists of a consortium of the seven regional English speaking school boards in Nova Scotia. As with all of our programs, students are placed in a high school within the district and live with a host family for the length of their program. However, the Nova Scotia program chooses the school and community for each student based upon the academic and extra-curricular schedule they would like to follow. Although some students may be concerned by this, we can assure you that each and every school and community is of high quality and will provide a great experience. They work with over 90 schools throughout the province and all schools follow the same curriculum as set by the provincial Department of Education.

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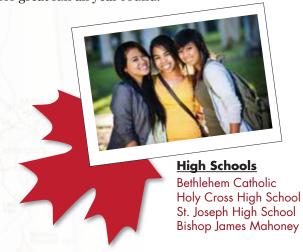


SASKATCHEWAN

Saskatchewan is made up of a unique mix of people, cultures and geography that has come together to create a rich history and a vibrant present, as well as a promising and exciting future. Geographically, Saskatchewan is very flat, naturally making way for its agricultural industry. Forestry, fishing and hunting are also quite popular as the northern part of the province is covered in forest and wilderness areas with abundant wildlife and breathtaking scenery. It is also home to tens of thousands of lakes and rivers, providing world-class fishing, as well as canoeing, kayaking, hiking, biking, boating, camping, horseback riding, and wildlife viewing. Being that the province is surrounded by land on all sides, the climate has very distinct summer and winter seasons making for great fun all year round.

Greater Saskatoon Catholic School District

The Greater Saskatoon Catholic School District has four spectacular High Schools ideally located throughout the city. Saskatoon is the largest city in Saskatchewan and is continuously referred to as one of the best cities in Canada in which to live, specifically noted for its scenic natural beauty as the South Saskatchewan River winds its way through the heart of the city. It maintains a young, safe, and clean reputation. Many of these attributes are due to the fact that it is a university city with a young, vibrant, and entrepreneurial demographic. The climate is mild and all four seasons are present throughout the year. Saskatoon has roughly a quarter million people currently residing within its city limits. It is an ideal place for a student that wants to experience the excitement of a city while still maintaining a close-knit, community oriented feel.



Student Management Group offers its knowledge and experience from start to finish. We begin by helping the students choose a program that's right for them. As they continue on with their dream, we insure that the program is a success by coordinating with and facilitating all interaction between the student's agency and family back in their home country, as well as between the school and host family in Canada.

It is our goal to provide each and every student with a program that fits both their requirements and requests. SMG strives to offer every option to every student. We have done our best to create a fully customizable program that fulfills the hopes and dreams of any student. We understand that spending any amount of time in a foreign environment can be a challenge and we are here to help each and every student succeed at that challenge!



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