

University of Victoria

English Language Centre



Study English in Canada 2013-14



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Studying in Victoria is an unforgettable experience



We know you'll like it here!

- Beautiful capital city
- Friendly, clean and safe
- Mildest weather in Canada
- Scenic west coast location
- Amazing nature: ocean, islands, mountains, lakes and forests
- Excellent shopping, restaurants and nightlife
- Outdoor activities all year

The University of Victoria is ranked one of the best universities in Canada, and I definitely understand why: the campus buildings, residences, laboratories—everything is so new, clean, modern and full of the typical first-world technology! Walking around, one can find gardens with the most beautiful flowers and also huge sport complexes, fitness centres, a movie theatre and pubs. Juliana Souza, Brazil

Discover Victoria!



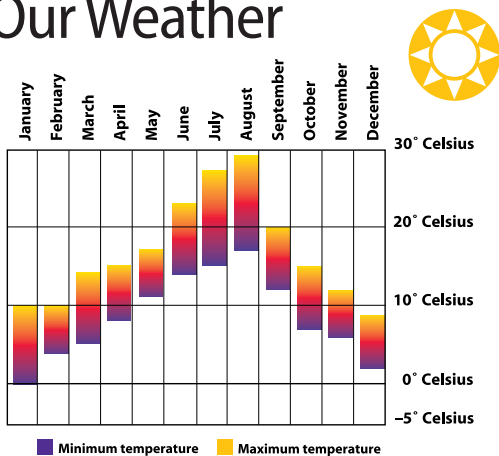
Things to Do

- Go whale watching
- Visit the world-famous Butchart Gardens
- Enjoy year-round hiking, cycling and kayaking
- Walk in our many beautiful parks and gardens
- Explore local festivals, galleries and historic sites
- Shop at our many local malls and stores
- Travel by ferry to Vancouver, Seattle or the nearby Gulf Islands

Getting to Victoria

- Easy access from all international cities
- Direct flights from Vancouver, Toronto and Seattle
- Please visit:
www.tourismvictoria.com

Our Weather



Welcome to the University of Victoria (UVic)

UVic is rated one of the top universities in Canada and welcomes over 19,000 students each year. The park-like campus is comfortable, lively and perfectly located just 5 minutes from the beach and 15 minutes from downtown Victoria.

MODERN FACILITIES

- Computer labs with free Internet
- Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) labs
- Libraries and movie theatre
- 2000+ student dormitory rooms
- 2 athletic and recreation centres with swimming pools
- 5000-seat stadium for sports events

CONVENIENT SERVICES

- Wireless Internet throughout campus
- Cafeterias, cafés, restaurants and pubs
- Medical and dental clinics
- Pharmacy
- Hair salon
- Student counselling services
- Travel agency
- Interfaith Chapel

UVIC FACULTIES—www.uvic.ca

- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Fine Arts
- Graduate Studies
- Human and Social Development
- Humanities
- Law
- Science
- Social Sciences
- Division of Medical Sciences
- **Division of Continuing Studies**
www.continuingstudies.uvic.ca
 - Home of the English Language Centre
 - Offers certificate and diploma programs in areas such as Business, TESL and Public Relations



The English Language Centre (ELC)



The ELC has been providing excellence in language programs for over 40 years!

The ELC is found in the Continuing Studies Building which is equipped with modern classrooms, computer labs and easy access to all ELC staff and teachers. Our building is centrally located on campus, near the bus terminal, cafeteria, gym, cafés, library and dormitories. Students attend classes throughout the UVic campus and are part of an exciting student community.

ELC PROGRAMS:

- University Pathway Program for International Students (1 year)
- English Plus Credit
- University Admission Preparation (3 months)
- 12-Week Intensive English
- Monthly Language and Culture (4–6 weeks)
- Work/Volunteer Experience
- Paid and unpaid Internships
- IELTS and TOEIC Exam Preparation

ELC PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- An average of 15 students per class; maximum of 18
- 20 to 30 class hours per week with qualified ESL Teachers
- Social and cultural activities guided by ELC Cultural Assistants
- Report card and Certificate of Participation upon completion
- Access to conditional admission to UVic degree programs
- Optional homestay or dormitory accommodation

Note: programs are non-credit and do not guarantee admission to UVic



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12-Week Intensive English Program (ELPI)

Offered 3 times per year (September, January, April) for students:

- at upper beginner to university entrance levels (6 levels)
- who wish to improve their communication skills for professional or personal development
- who wish to prepare for university admission

PROGRAM FEATURES

30 hours per week:

- 18 hours—Core Classes
- 4 hours—Elective Classes
- 8 hours—Study Centre and Pronunciation Centre (optional)

6 Core Class Levels (students are placed in class levels based on the results of their placement test at the ELC):

- Upper Beginner (Level 200)
- Lower Intermediate (330)
- Intermediate (410)
- Upper Intermediate (490)
- Advanced (570)
- General Advanced Program (GAP) or University Admission Preparation (UAP).

Elective Class Examples (4 hrs/week):

- Business English, IELTS, TOEIC, Pronunciation, Listening, Idioms, Discussion Skills, Writing, Music, Art

Study Centre and Pronunciation Centre (8 hrs/week):

- Practise with teachers and volunteers in a relaxed setting

Social and Cultural Activities:

- Coffee socials, sports, movies, festivals, volunteering
- Optional activities include: Butchart Gardens, theatre, ski trips, Vancouver trips, kayaking, whale watching (additional fees apply)

Students placed in intermediate class level 410 and above may choose general or academic English classes.

ACCOMMODATION:

Homestay is available for all 12-week programs.

ELPI students in 490 and above can take **English Plus Credit**, which allows students to take a credit course while studying in ELPI! Learn more on page 12.

GENERAL AND ACADEMIC OPTIONS

General Advanced Program (GAP)

—highest *general* class level

- Strengthens English for international communication
- Focuses on career, business, global issues and personal interests
- Includes weekly volunteer work in the community

University Admission Preparation (UAP)

—highest *academic* class level



- Prepares students to study in an English-speaking university
- Strengthens skills in oral presentations, note taking, reading academic texts, report writing, research and computer use
- Students must successfully complete the UAP entrance exam and interview for acceptance; those not accepted will be placed in the appropriate level
- Passing score (80%) meets the English requirement for admission to degree programs at UVic



Successful completion of the UAP level of the 12-week program fulfills the English requirement for entrance to UVic undergraduate degree programs.

ADMISSION TO UVIC UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Students who meet all other academic requirements for admission to UVic undergraduate degree programs may be granted Preliminary or Conditional Admission when they are admitted to the 410 to UAP academic levels of the 12-week program.

Preliminary Admission is given to:

- Students in ELPI 410, 490 or 570.
- Students with 71 iBT TOEFL or IELTS 5.5

Students have one year to meet UVic's English requirements.

Conditional Admission is given to:

- Students in UAP
- Students with 79 iBT TOEFL or IELTS 6.0

Students with Conditional Admission may register in UVic credit programs but cannot begin credit courses until they have met UVic's English requirement.

Please visit: <http://registrar.uvic.ca/undergrad/admissions/requirements/international.html>

Please note: Students applying for **Graduate Programs** should contact the department directly about offers of Preliminary Admission and English proficiency standards.

Summer Academic Intensive Program (ELAI)



A 9-week summer program for upper intermediate to advanced students wishing to focus on academic studies.

PROGRAM FEATURES:

- a summer "academic bridge" between the spring and fall ELPI programs
- 22.5 class hours per week
- 3 levels of instruction: Intermediate, Upper Intermediate and Advanced
- **Classes held Monday to Thursday: 1:00 – 5:15 pm and Fridays: 8:30 am – 12:45 pm**
- Evenings: Students living in the dormitories can join organized activities
- Weekends: optional activities

REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum intermediate English level (410A)

Accommodation: Dormitory until closure in late August. Students continuing to September ELPI may move in with their host families early.

Canadian Experience Internship Program (paid internship)



This **one-year program** combines intensive classroom study at the advanced level with paid work experience in Victoria.

PROGRAM FEATURES:

- 24 weeks of intensive English classes
- 24-week paid internship in Victoria
- Job-preparation workshops
- Letters of Recommendation
- Canadian Work Culture Workshop
- Certificate of Participation
- Homestay or Dormitory accommodation

REQUIREMENTS

- Upper intermediate level (490) of the 24-week program or with approval of the ELC
- A valid Study Permit

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English Work Experience Program (EWEP)



This **20-week program** improves and challenges English skills by combining intensive classes with a full-time unpaid work term. Participants in this program will:

- Attend full-time English classes for 12 weeks
- Work in Victoria for 8 weeks

BENEFITS:

- Learn and improve your “real English” outside of the classroom
- Add international work experience to your résumé in fields such as tourism, customer service and office administration
- Canadian Work Culture Workshop
- Certificate of Participation from the University of Victoria
- Letters of Recommendation

REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum upper intermediate level of English
- Intermediate level of English (410) of the 12-week program or with approval of the ELC
- A valid Study Permit



Monthly Language and Culture Programs (3–6 weeks)

Offered throughout the year for students:

- at pre-intermediate, intermediate or advanced levels
- who wish to improve their speaking and listening skills
- who want to learn about Canadian culture through intensive English classes and social and cultural activities

PROGRAM FEATURES:

- Monthly start dates
- Focus on speaking and listening skills
- 20 hours of class time per week
- Daily social and cultural activities for May–August programs; weekly social and cultural activities for September–April programs. These activities are included in the program cost and guided by ELC Cultural Assistants
- Optional activities, depending on the season (fees may apply)
 - Butchart Gardens
 - Vancouver (1 day or overnight)
 - Skiing
 - Whale watching
 - Curling
 - Kayaking

SEPTEMBER–APRIL PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Monday to Thursday:	9 am–12 pm, 1:15–3:10 pm Intensive English classes
Friday:	Social and cultural activities
Weekends:	Optional activities (see list at left)
Accommodation:	Homestay (see page 15)

MAY–AUGUST PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday:	8:30 am–12:30 pm Intensive English Classes
Afternoons:	Social and cultural activities
Evenings:	Optional activities for students living in dormitories, such as sports, movies and language games (most with no additional cost)
Weekends:	Optional activities (see list at left)
Accommodation:	Dormitory (July–August programs) Homestay (May–June programs)

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University Pathway Program for International Students



NEW! An innovative one-year program that allows you to meet the the English requirements for admission to UVic while completing credit courses at the same time.

PROGRAM FEATURES

- Full-time, 12-month program combining comprehensive English language classes with credit courses in economics and mathematics
- University Academic Preparation and Canadian Culture course
- Language support throughout the program
- Academic advising for credit programs
- Completion of a university degree and 3 ESL programs in 4 years

English Plus Credit Program



NEW! A program for students who wish to take credit courses in Mathematics or Computer Science during the 12-week ELPI program.

- Open to students in 490 General and Academic streams
- Students must apply for Preliminary Acceptance to UVic

Online ESL Courses

- Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced Writing
 - Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced Listening
 - Introduction to Information Technology (IT) English
- Please visit: www.uvcs.uvic.ca/englishworld/study/online/

CD-ROM SERIES

- Business English: Meetings; North American Idioms
- Please visit: www.uvcs.uvic.ca/cdroms/

JUDY'S WORLD and JASON'S WORLD

- Intermediate and upper-intermediate-level audio drama
 - Listening and vocabulary exercises, modern social topics
 - For classroom use or self-study
- For information, please email: elc@uvcs.uvic.ca





University Admission Preparation (UAP)

ADVANCED ENGLISH AND CANADIAN STUDIES

- 4-week full-time program
- Morning courses:
 - Advanced English Language Skills
 - An Introduction to Canadian Culture (CS 101)
- Afternoon academic skills workshops
- Entrance requirement: IELTS 6.0 with no section less than 5.5 or 79 iBT

Successful completion of this program fulfills the English language requirement for entrance to UVic undergraduate degree programs. Students must:

- Receive a passing grade (80%) for Advanced English.
- Receive a minimum C in Canadian Studies; students may take this course for 1.5 credit units for an additional fee.



Students who meet the academic requirements for admission to UVic undergraduate degree programs may be granted **conditional acceptance** upon admission to this summer UAP program or the 12-week UAP level.

Customized Group Programs

The ELC offers customized short-term programs which can be designed to suit the schedule and interests of a group of students. These programs can combine classroom instruction with other activities, such as cultural excursions or volunteering placements. Programs can also include English for Special Purposes, such as **Business English** and **English for Teachers**. Homestay or dormitory accommodation is available, depending on the time of year.

For more information, please contact: elc@uvcs.uvic.ca

Professional Path Workshops

For students with Working Holiday Visas enrolled in the 12-Week Intensive Program. Prepares students for a successful experience in the workplace and to help them find a paid job in Victoria.

Program Features

- Résumé and Cover letter Workshops
- Interview Skills Workshop
- Practice Interviews
- Canadian Work Culture Workshop

Requirements

- Intermediate level (410) of the 12-week program
- A valid Working Holiday Visa. Students on a visitor visa are not eligible.

IELTS and TOEIC Preparation

- 11-week part-time programs
- Reading, listening and test-taking strategies
- Writing and speaking development, including organization, grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and intonation
- Entrance requirement: TOEIC 600, 71 iBT or IELTS 5.0



Volunteer Programs

Your Community Connection!

Volunteering after or during your ELC program is a great way to:

- make Canadian friends
- improve your English
- learn new skills

ENGLISH AND VOLUNTEERING

- Up to 30 volunteer hours, plus a preparation workshop
- For 12-Week Intensive English Program students
- Certificate of Participation and Letter of Recommendation

VOLUNTEERING FOR GROUPS

Contact us to find out about the variety of volunteer opportunities we can coordinate for your specialized group!

Volunteer schedules and positions can be tailored to suit your group's needs and interests.

Accommodation Options



UVic Homestay

Practise your English and learn about Canadian culture as a member of a Canadian family! Homestay students improve their English skills much faster than students living on their own because they practise speaking and listening with their host families every day.

Our host families are happy to share their family life and culture with you. You will be matched with a host family who has been carefully selected by program staff to ensure that they can provide you with a safe, comfortable and friendly home.

Your host family will:

- pick you up when you arrive in Victoria
- provide you with a private, furnished room
- provide food for all meals and snacks (host family cooks dinner)
- provide internet access
- help you adjust to living in a new culture
- encourage you to join their family activities
- provide an English immersion experience to improve your language skills
- transport you to your departure location when you leave

For more information, visit: www.uvic.ca/homestay



AWARD-WINNING PROGRAM!
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UVic Dormitories

Live on campus in the university dormitories with other international students and ELC Cultural Assistants.

The dormitory program includes:

- a single room with a bed, desk, dresser, mirror and linens
- a cafeteria meal plan (2–3 meals per day)
- support of ELC Cultural Assistants living in the dormitories
- additional evening and weekend activities

Dormitory accommodation is only available in July and August. Full fees are due 5 weeks before the program start date.



During my first 3 months, I lived on campus at UVic. Afterwards, I applied for Homestay. UVic chose an amazing family in Victoria where I was SO welcome. During eleven months I lived with them and I spent unforgettable times with them like their own son.

Rodrigo Pasqualucci, Brazil

Immigration and Medical Information

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION LAWS

After completing the Program Application Form and paying the application fees, students receive a **Letter of Acceptance** from UVic to take to the nearest Canadian Embassy/Consulate.

It is the **student's responsibility** to obtain the correct visa or permit.

TEMPORARY RESIDENT VISA (TRV) – FORMERLY 'VISITOR VISA'

Students from many countries can study English in Canada for a maximum of 6 months as a visitor. A Temporary Resident Visa cannot be renewed in Canada to continue studies.

STUDY PERMIT

Students must have a Study Permit to study in Canada for more than 6 months. Students must apply for a Study Permit in their home country. Study Permits can be renewed in Canada.

For more information about the TRV and Study Permit, visit: www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study.asp

MEDICAL INSURANCE

All English Language Centre students must have medical insurance and should confirm that it covers any activities they may participate in (including sports).

Length of stay in Canada	Type of insurance needed
0–6 months	Buy private medical insurance before leaving your home country from AON Medical Insurance Company (\$1.60/day; not valid until purchased). http://extranet.aon.ca/uvic/index.aspx
6 months or more	Before leaving home, buy private medical insurance for the first 3 months of your stay. You MUST apply for British Columbia Medical Services Plan (BCMSP) upon arrival (3-month waiting period). www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp



Program Application

www.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/apply/

STUDENTS MUST:

- be 18 years of age or older by the first day of the program
- meet Canadian visa requirements while they are in Canada
- buy medical insurance for the duration of the program
- have a basic knowledge of English and successfully complete the online test:
 - 12-Week Programs: web2.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/entry
 - Monthly Programs: web2.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/entry/me

Apply online, download application forms from the website, or contact the ELC for an application package:

- www.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/apply

CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Email: elcreg@uvcs.uvic.ca
- Phone: 1-250-721-8469
- Fax: 1-250-721-8774

FEES DUE UPON REGISTRATION:

\$150 Application Fee

- If you apply for more than one program at the same time, you pay the \$150 application fee once only.

\$350 Deposit (per program)

- This deposit is part of the tuition fee, not an additional cost.

\$250 Homestay Fee

- See page 19 for homestay availability for your program.

FULL PAYMENT IS DUE 5 WEEKS BEFORE THE PROGRAM START DATE.

Application does not guarantee admission. Apply for programs early, as space is limited, and wait for your Letter of Acceptance before making travel arrangements.

The English Language Centre/University of Victoria reserves the right to change fees, schedules and courses without notice, and to cancel courses if enrollment is insufficient.

How to Apply

1. Complete and sign the Application Form (online or PDF).*
2. Complete and sign the Homestay Application Form (if applicable).*
3. Include the Application fee and deposit(s).
4. Include the Homestay fee (if applicable).
5. Include a copy of your passport.
6. Send the ELC your application by email, fax or online.

**These forms will not be processed without a student signature.*



Program Schedule 2013–14

All fees are listed in Canadian dollars and subject to change
H = Homestay—\$800/month **D** = Dormitory

Program	Arrival Date	Departure Date	Program Dates	Duration	Tuition & Activities	Accommodation & Meals
9-Week and 12-Week Programs (ELAI and ELPI)						\$800/month (H)
ELPI A 2013	January 5	April 5	January 7–April 3	12 weeks	\$3,700	H
ELPI B 2013 [‡]	April 6	July 5	April 8–July 3	12 weeks	\$3,700	H
ELAI 2013 ^{**} <small>(Summer Academic Intensive)</small>	June 30	September 6	July 2*–September 5	9 weeks	\$3,450	H
ELPI C 2013	September 7	December 6	September 9–December 4	12 weeks	\$3,700	H
ELPI A 2014	January 4, 2014	April 4, 2014	January 6–April 2, 2014	12 weeks	\$3,700	H

****Note:** ELAI is a 9-week summer academic program and differs in format, hours, and activities from the 12-week programs.

English Work Experience Programs (EWEP)						
EWEP A 2013	January 5	June 1	January 7–May 31	20 weeks	\$4,700	H
EWEP B 2013*	April 6	August 24	April 8–August 23	20 weeks	\$4,700	H
EWEP C 2013	September 7	February 1, 2014	September 9–January 31, 2014	20 weeks	\$4,700	H
EWEP A 2014	January 4, 2014	May 31, 2014	January 6–May 30, 2014	20 weeks	\$4,700	H

Canadian Experience Internship Programs (CEIP)						
CEIP A 2013	January 5	January 4, 2014	January 7, 2013–January 3, 2014	48 weeks	\$8,900	H
CEIP B 2013	September 7	September 6, 2014	September 9, 2013–September 5, 2014	48 weeks	\$8,900	H
CEIP A 2014	January 4, 2014	January 3, 2015	January 6, 2014–January 2, 2015	48 weeks	\$8,900	H

Monthly Language and Culture / Special Purposes Programs						
January 2013	January 6	February 2	January 7–February 1	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
February 2013	February 3	March 2	February 4–March 1	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
March 2013	March 3	March 30	March 4–March 29	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
April 2013*	March 31	May 11	April 2–May 10	6 weeks	\$1,600	H \$1,070
June 2013* [‡]	May 20	June 22	May 21*–June 21	5 weeks	\$2,000	H \$854
July 2013 (4 weeks)*	July 1	July 27	July 2*–July 26	4 weeks	\$1,600	D \$1,295
July 2013 (6 weeks)	July 7	August 17	July 8–August 16	6 weeks	\$2,400	D \$1,845
August 2013	July 28	August 24	July 29–August 23	4 weeks	\$1,600	D \$1,295
September 2013*	September 2	September 28	September 3*–September 27	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
October 2013	September 29	October 26	September 30–October 25	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
November 2013	October 27	November 23	October 28–November 22	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
December 2013	November 24	December 21	November 25–December 20	4 weeks	\$1,600	H
UAP + Canadian Studies	July 28	August 24	July 29–August 23	4 weeks	\$2,900	D \$1,295
Academic Writing** 2012	n/a	n/a	December 4–14, 2012	2 weeks	\$600	H

*Indicates programs starting on Tuesday due to public holiday on Monday.

**Due to a limited number of spaces, only ELPI students can register in this program.

Credit Programs						
University Pathway Programs						
Economics/Business	September 7, 2013	August 23, 2014	September 9, 2013–August 22, 2014	48 weeks	\$24,950	H or D
Science/Engineering	September 7, 2013	August 23, 2014	September 9, 2013–August 22, 2014	48 weeks	\$24,950	H or D
English Plus Credit Computer Science	January 5, 2013	April 20, 2013	January 7–April 3 + exam period	12 weeks	\$5,300	H
English Plus Credit Math	September 7, 2013	December 21	September 9–December 4 + exam period	12 weeks	\$5,300	H

Part-Time Exam Preparation Courses						
TOEIC and IELTS	n/a	n/a	see website	9–11 weeks	\$450–\$525	not offered

Please note:

“Program Dates” are the first and last day of classes. Program and accommodation costs are subject to change.

‡ Due to Congress Conference, classes will be held off site June 3–7, 2013.



Why students love studying English at UVic

1. The Best City with the Best Weather!

Visitors to Victoria enjoy an unforgettable mix of friendly people, beautiful scenery, outdoor adventure and the mildest climate in Canada.

2. Award-Winning Programs

The ELC has over 40 years of experience offering ESL programs, and has earned recent awards for the quality of its Home Placement, Work Experience and University Admission Preparation programs.

3. Modern University Campus

With recreation centres, libraries, a cinema, cafés, language labs, a pharmacy, travel agency and medical clinic, UVic has everything students need and more!

4. Social Activities

Our programs offer an exciting schedule of activities led by cultural assistants. Favourite activities include coffee socials, sports, whale watching, skiing and trips to local tourist attractions.

5. Pathway to Degree Programs

The ELC can help students transition to university courses through a variety of programs: The University Pathway Program for International Students (1 year), the University Admission Preparation program (3 months) or English Plus Credit!

6. Academic Reputation

Tell your friends you studied at UVic: ranked in the top 1% of world universities according to the Times Higher Education World Universities Ranking!

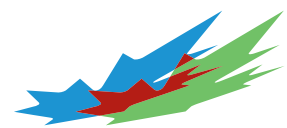


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