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GEOS LANGUAGE ACADEMY - VANCOUVER



GLOBAL
EDUCATION
OPPORTUNITIES
& SERVICES

LEARN ENGLISH

BROCHURE 2011

Language, Culture, Adventure

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THE CITY OF VANCOUVER

**VANCOUVER WILL
HOST THE 2010
OLYMPIC &
PARALYMPIC
WINTER GAMES**

**VANCOUVER IS
CONSISTENTLY
NAMED ONE OF THE
MOST LIVEABLE
CITIES IN THE WORLD**

**VANCOUVER IS A
CITY WHERE YOU
CAN SKI AND WIND
SURF AT THE SAME
TIME ALL THE YEAR**

**THE POPULATION
OF GREATER
VANCOUVER IS
ABOUT 2 MILLION**

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Just minutes from the heart of downtown Vancouver is where the third largest park in North America can be found. Stanley Park receives more than 8 million visitors a year. It is an ideal retreat for afternoon picnics, cycling, strolls along the beach front and a great place to watch sunsets. Another spot which attracts 1 million visitors each year is called Gastown. It is the oldest area of Vancouver and has old fashioned styled Victorian buildings. It is a great area for souvenir hunting and not too far from Gastown is the third largest Chinatown in North America. Granville Island is also a popular part of downtown where shoppers can see artisans at work and also shop at a variety of open markets and specialty shops.

TOURIST SPOTS

- STANLEY PARK
- GRANVILLE ISLAND
- GASTOWN & CHINATOWN
- CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE
- 3 SKI RESORTS IN VANCOUVER, GROUSE MOUNTAIN, CYPRESS MOUNTAIN & MOUNTAIN SEYMOUR
- WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB SKI/SNOWBOARD RESORT

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OUR SCHOOL

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QUICK FACTS

- Established: 1987
- School Capacity: 300
- Popular Student activities: Ice hockey, bowling, cycling, kayaking, football, skiing, snowboarding, hiking, MLB baseball in Seattle.
- 14 classrooms with a panoramic view of the ocean.
- Wi-Fi Internet and computer access.
- Student's Library.
- Student lounge with a ping-pong table and a movie theatre.
- Fully-equipped kitchen with fridge, 2 snack and vending machines, water cooler, and microwaves.
- Resource and material available for self-study.



GEOS Language Academy Vancouver is especially well-known for its warm, friendly, academic atmosphere, and you can look forward to meeting people from all over the world. Our curriculum always focuses on communication in English, so you will be able to improve your speaking ability, as well as work on your grammar, pronunciation, writing, and listening.

Our school offers educational counsellors and academic coordinators who monitor our students' progress and prepare social, sightseeing, and cultural activities, organize workshops on themes that vary from how to make a resume to apartment hunting simulations. The classrooms are spacious and the school has audiovisual resources, a lounge for students to relax, and free internet service as well as a wireless network in the school. It also has large windows with beautiful views of the city, and is just a few minutes from Stanley Park, Vancouver's most famous sightseeing spot!

THE VANCOUVER GEOS SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN VANCOUVER, AND IS SURROUNDED BY RESTAURANTS, BANKS, AND SHOPPING MALLS - ASSURING THE NECESSARY SERVICES TO MEET EVERY STUDENT'S NEEDS.



OUR CLASS

ENGLISH PROGRAM

SUPER-INTENSIVE ENGLISH 31 LESSONS / INTENSIVE ENGLISH 24 LESSONS

OUR SUPER-INTENSIVE AND INTENSIVE ENGLISH MEET FIVE DAYS PER WEEK, FOR A TOTAL OF 24 OR 31 LESSONS EACH WEEK. STUDENTS WORK WITH TWO DIFFERENT TEACHERS (ONE FOR THE MORNING CLASS AND ONE FOR THE AFTERNOON CLASS) AND THE MOST UP-TO-DATE, EFFECTIVE TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS AVAILABLE.

SUPER-INTENSIVE AND INTENSIVE ENGLISH - CLASS SCHEDULE

DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY 09:00-11:00
09:00-11:00	INTEGRATED SKILLS – Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing PLUS – Structure and Grammar – Vocabulary – Pronunciation – Communication Practice				
11:00-12:00	LUNCH TIME				
12:00-14:00	ACTIVE LISTENING – Listening & Discussion PLUS – Discussion – Slang & Idioms (Meaning and Usage) – Current Issues – Debates & Presentations				

ELECTIVE CLASSES

14:30-16:00	ELECTIVE CLASSES – Listening & Pronunciation – Writing – Power Speaking - Business Communication - IELTS
14:30-16:30	4 WEEKS – TOEIC Preparation Course

GEOS

A WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS...



Want a place to unwind? Our school is right next to trendy Robson Street, which is known for its fantastic shopping and great nightlife!

Enjoy cuisine from all over the world. Vancouver is known for its top-notch restaurants!

Over 1.6 million spectators pack the waterfront at English for the HSBC Celebration of Light Fireworks Festival.

Vancouver's tranquil waters offer sea kayaking opportunities for hard-core paddlers and timid beginners... Or try canoeing instead.



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OUR LIFE STYLE

SOCIAL LIFE

VANCOUVER IS WELL-KNOWN FOR OFFERING A MULTITUDE OF EXCITING THINGS TO DO. OUR EXCURSIONS INCLUDE: INDOOR SPORTS - BOWLING, ICE SKATING, TABLE TENNIS, FLOOR HOCKEY, PICNICS AT STANLEY PARK OR QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK, AMUSEMENT PARKS, NIGHT MARKETS, SPORTS AT PARKS/BEACHES, SEA KAYAKING, SNOW TUBING, POTLUCK PARTIES, IN-HOUSE MOVIE NIGHTS, HALLOWEENCOSTUME DRESS-UP DAY AND PARADES, FORMAL CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY, AND UN DAY (WHERE EVERYONE WEARS A COSTUME REPRESENTING THEIR HOME COUNTRIES).

STUDENT'S VOICE ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

In this month I spent here, I had a really good time. I love the country it's really pretty, the excursions that GEOS organized to us were really good. The classes are fun and I learned a lot, Chris the tall is so nice that I learn a lot with them. Marco is so funny that you have a great time with him and also Israel. The family was brilliant, they took me everywhere and they treated me so well! For the conclusion I would recommend this summer program to

Paula Potrony Pardo / Spain



At GEOS Vancouver, I had a really good time. I was here only one month, but I could make a hundred precious memories with very nice folks!!! I think the best point of Vancouver school is that all staffs take care of students so warmly. When I had a question and stand in front of staffroom, they always stopped their work and talked to me with big smiles. I have never met such warmhearted staffs. Thank you!!!!

Toshiaki Uematsu / Japan





MAKING FRIENDS, GETTING TO KNOW PEOPLE AND HAVING FUN IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF LIFE IN GEOS VANCOUVER. VANCOUVERITES LOVE TO HAVE A GOOD TIME AND WE'LL MAKE SURE YOU DO TOO. WITHIN THE CITY ITSELF, THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE; SOCIAL, CULTURAL, ART OR SPORTING. CHOOSE ACCORDING TO YOUR BUDGET AND YOUR INTERESTS.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS

- give you the opportunity to participate in the local way of life.
- provide advice and information related to the host culture.
- effectively introduce the Activities Program as an extension of the classroom.

COUNSELING

- Issues related to cultural adjustment.
- Academic challenges.
- Personal crises.
- Homestay / Accommodations.



ONE-ON-ONE ACADEMIC COUNSELING

Every 4 weeks you will receive a Progress Report. Your teacher will go over this with you and point out your strengths and weaknesses. They will also plot out an ESL improvement strategy encompassing all the skills: Speaking, Writing, Listening & Reading.

WEEKLY SEMINARS

We offer free weekly seminars/workshops such as the Listening Labs, Conversation Time, Job Hunting and Resume.



TEACHERS AND STAFF KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR STUDENTS TO FEEL COMFORTABLE IN THEIR NEW SCHOOL AND HOMES.



2011 COURSE FEES & DATES

STUDY PERIOD	SUPER-INTENSIVE ENGLISH 31 LESSONS PER WEEK 1 CREDIT PER 4 WEEKS - TO USE FOR ELECTIVE CLASSES	INTENSIVE ENGLISH 24 LESSONS PER WEEK	TOEFL IBT 24 HOURS PER WEEK TEXT FEE \$80	PART-TIME ENGLISH 12 LESSONS PER WEEK
4 WEEKS	\$1,300 (1 CREDIT)	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$640
8 WEEKS	\$2,600 (2 CREDITS)	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$1,280
12 WEEKS	\$3,840 (3 CREDITS)	\$3,240	\$3,240	\$1,860
16 WEEKS	\$5,040 (4 CREDITS)	\$4,240	\$4,240	\$2,400
24 WEEKS	\$7,320 (6 CREDITS)	\$6,120	\$6,120	\$3,480
32 WEEKS	\$9,760 (8 CREDITS)	\$8,160	\$8,160	
48 WEEKS	\$14,400 (12 CREDITS)	\$12,000	\$12,000	

TOEIC COURSE REQUIRES 2 CREDITS FOR EVERY 4 WEEKS

3 CREDITS FOR 4-WEEK COURSE

STUDY PERIOD	TOEIC PREPARATION COURSE Mon-Thur 2:30 - 4:30 LESSON MATERIALS AND OFFICIAL TOEIC TEST INCLUDED/4 WEEKS	TEC PREPARATION COURSE Mon-Thur 9:00 - 3:30 Fri 9:00 - 12:00 <i>*Contact GEOS for details</i>	TESOL PREPARATION COURSE Mon-Thur 9:00 - 3:30 Fri 9:00 - 12:00 <i>*Contact GEOS for details</i>
4 WEEKS	\$720	• 2-week TEC Preparation \$700 • Materials \$50	• 2-week TESOL Preparation \$700 • Materials \$50
8 WEEKS	\$1,400	• 2-week TEC Course \$700 • Materials \$50	• 2-week TESOL Course \$700 • Materials \$50
12 WEEKS	\$2,040		

ALL OTHER ELECTIVE CLASSES REQUIRE 1 CREDIT FOR EVERY 4 WEEKS

STUDY PERIOD	LISTENING & PRONUNCIATION Mon-Thur 2:30 - 4:00 MATERIALS ► \$55	WRITING / GRAMMAR / POWER SPEAKING Mon-Thur 2:30 - 4:00 MATERIALS ► \$55	IELTS / BUSINESS COMMUNICATION Mon-Thur 2:30 - 4:00 MATERIALS ► \$55	GEOS STUDY & WORK / BUSINESS INTERNSHIP SUPPORT FEE: • Job Placement • Visa application support • SIN card application
4 WEEKS	\$400	\$400	\$400	SUPPORT FEE: \$1,200
8 WEEKS	\$720	\$720	\$720	
12 WEEKS	\$1,080	\$1,080	\$1,080	<i>The study period is not included, contact GEOS for more details</i>

2011 STARTING DATES AND HOLIDAYS

SESSION 1	SESSION 2	SESSION 3	SESSION 4	SESSION 5
January 4-January 28	January 31-February 25	February 28-March 25	March 28-April 22	April 25-May 20
SESSION 6	SESSION 7	SESSION 8	SESSION 9	SESSION 10
May 24-June 17	June 20-July 15	July 18-August 12	August 15-September 9	September 12-October 7
SESSION 11	SESSION 12	SESSION 13		
October 11-November 4	November 7-December 2	December 5-December 30		

2011 PUBLIC HOLIDAY (NO CLASSES) ► Jan 3, April 22, May 23, Jul 1, Sep 5, Oct 10, Nov 11, Dec 23

MATERIALS INFORMATION & FEES

THE INTENSIVE ENGLISH USE MATERIALS WHICH ARE APPROXIMATELY CAN\$80

2011 ADDITIONAL FEES

Application fee: CAN\$100 (non-refundable)

Airport transfer fee: CAN\$100 (one way)
CAN\$175 (round trip)

Health insurance: CAN\$17.50/week

Homestay Placement: CAN\$200 (non-refundable)

Homestay fee: CAN\$200/week (full-board)
CAN\$190/week (half-board)

Custodian Letter: CAN\$200



Note: tuition and fees may change without notice. Please check with GEOS schools for current prices.

- The pathway to your future
- Fast-track your career

“STUDY ENGLISH WITH GEOS VANCOUVER AND THEN GAIN WORK EXPERIENCE IN A REAL CANADIAN WORK ENVIRONMENT”.



STUDY & WORK PROGRAMS

GEOS VANCOUVER OFFERS TWO INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS; STUDY & WORK PROGRAM AND BUSINESS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. THESE PROGRAMS GIVES STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN WORK EXPERIENCE AND IMPROVE THEIR ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS.

WHY GEOS STUDY & WORK PROGRAMS?

- Achieve a pathway to success
- Meet your Specific objectives
- Improve your English language skills
- Experience Canadian lifestyle
- Gain work experience
- Develop language skills in a real Canadian work environment
- Build new relationship in industry

...International employers are seeking professionals with North American work experience who understand North American business culture...



PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- Students must enroll in a GEOS CEP Full-Time or Intensive English Program for a minimum of 12 weeks.
- Students must be at least 19 years of age.
- Students cannot work more than the study length of their program.
- The student has to complete their study program before starting the work program portion.
- The student cannot work while they are in the study program.
- The student will receive 10 workshops. The workshops cover relevant topics such as: resume writing, interview practice, workplace culture and office skills.
- The student is assigned to a position and location by GEOS.
- The program is offered year-round and students can start any Monday.



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PROGRAM PERIODS	STUDY PERIOD	WORK PERIOD
	12 WEEKS	12 WEEKS
	16 WEEKS	16 WEEKS
	24 WEEKS	24 WEEKS

HOMESTAY & ACCOMMODATIONS IN VANCOUVER

ACCOMMODATION IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF YOUR STAY WITH US AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF OPTIONS IN THIS AREA



GEOS Vancouver carefully screens all host families to be sure that they have the qualities necessary to provide our students with the best possible experience in Vancouver. The safety and happiness of our students comes first at GEOS Vancouver.

OPTIONS:

- 1 Homestay
- 2 Residential Accommodation
- 3 Hostelling International
- 4 Hotel Accommodation
- 5 Flats/Apartments

HOMESTAY

Of course, our Homestay program is the most popular choice of accommodations for everyone who wants a true Canadian experience! Home stays allow students to become fully involved in every aspect of life in Canada.

HOSTELLING INTERNATIONAL

If you are staying with us for a short time in the summer months we offer Hostelling International Accommodation, it is located in the safe and beautiful downtown Vancouver. *Contact GEOS for details.

RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION

During the summer months we are able to offer self-catering residential accommodation at University of British Columbia - UBC. The Residences at UBC is the perfect group lodging choice for teams and school groups.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

We offer information on a good selection of hotels and hostels. *Contact GEOS for details.

FLATS/APARTMENTS

We can also give you information on renting an apartment for short and long term stays according to your budget. *Contact GEOS for more information.



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