

Selkirk  College

# Selkirk International

BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

“ In the summer semester we have a 3-day camp. Our first night was actually Mid-summer Eve, or the Summer Solstice, so we celebrated with our own candle festival. We made boats of paper, put candles in them and floated them in the lake. Everyone watched the boats drifting in the dark until they went far off into the lake. ”

—Yoko from Japan



# learn English in beautiful British Columbia, Canada

## great education

Selkirk College is a fully accredited public college in British Columbia that offers access to a wide variety of courses and programs. You can start in the college's English Language Program and continue in a number of career programs or transfer to one of many Canadian and International universities to complete your university degree.

## beautiful location

Selkirk College's location is ideal for international students. The small communities of Castlegar and Nelson are very safe and friendly. People who live here are helpful and kind, making it easy to become part of the community.

Away from the big city, you will experience the beauty of the Canadian landscape, as well as a real and relaxed way of life. Organized recreation activities such as skiing and snowboarding, hiking, and canoeing can be an exciting part of your Selkirk International experience.

## extra support

Selkirk International staff are dedicated to providing complete support for your success. From the moment you arrive, you will receive personal help and attention with your academic courses and personal matters.

## facilities

In and out of the classroom, Selkirk College provides clean, modern campus facilities to its students. Well-lit, computer-equipped classrooms, a library, cafeteria, bookshop and a full range of recreation facilities are accessible to all students.

Recreation facilities include:

- gymnasium
- weight room
- squash & racquetball courts
- indoor climbing wall
- outdoor fields
- tennis courts



for more information about Selkirk College visit [selkirk.ca](http://selkirk.ca)

# schools & programs



## English Language Program (ESL)

Selkirk International provides options for students who want to develop their English communication skills. Please note that you do not require a TOEFL score to apply for the English Language Program, and study permits are not required for short-term programs of six months or less.

### English language program

Students in the English Language Program learn to read, speak and write English with skill and confidence. There are 6 levels, from Fundamental to College Preparation. The classes are full-time (22 hours per week), and taught by highly qualified and experienced instructors. Certificates are given upon successful completion of each level.

*The Selkirk College English Language Program is accredited with Languages Canada, the primary professional organization for institutional language programs in Canada.*

### English language and beyond

In addition to the six levels included in English Language Program, students may complete these advanced level options:

**BUSINESS ENGLISH CERTIFICATE**  
Add business vocabulary and knowledge to your English communication skills. 1 semester (4 months)

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATE\***

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & HUMANITIES CERTIFICATE\***

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE & EDUCATION CERTIFICATE\***

\*These options allow Upper Advanced students to earn special certificates by taking several diploma program courses in addition to Advanced English language. 2 semesters (8 months)

### communications seminars

These high interest seminars provide additional communicative experiences with English. Courses include: TOEFL and TOEIC Preparation, Conversation, Pronunciation, Debates, Business English, Movies and Discussion, Canadian Studies, and Academic Preparation.

### volunteer internships in the community

ESL students can practice their English while gaining valuable work experience with community organizations, businesses and schools.

## TESOL

**TESOL ADVANCED DIPLOMA**  
Learn how to teach others to communicate in English with this advanced post-graduate diploma; 1 semester (4 months).

*The Selkirk College TESOL Advanced Diploma Program is accredited with TESL Canada, the main professional organization in Canada for teachers of English.*

### TESOL CERTIFICATE

This program offers a fundamental introduction to teaching speakers of other languages. 1 semester (4 months)

### summer or winter study tours

Selkirk International offers a variety of summer and winter English and recreation programs from 2 to 4 weeks for college students, Elderhostel (mature students), and special interest groups. These tours combine conversational English with recreational activities, Canadian nature, family life and culture. Enjoy great golf, canoeing and hiking in summer, and skiing or snowboarding at one of Canada's finest ski areas in winter.



# college programs



Selkirk College offers a wide variety of career programs. In order to be eligible for admission to college programs, international students must:

- 1 Complete English as a Second Language Level 5 and English 51, or
- 2 Have completed BC English 12 or equivalent; or a TOEFL score of 213; or IELTS score of 6.5

## SCHOOL OF business & aviation

PROFESSIONAL AVIATION:  
transfer up to 50 credits into the Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Science at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Arizona or Florida, USA

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION:  
transfer to University of Lethbridge, Royal Roads University or the American Business School, Paris, France

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS  
(Advanced Post-Graduate Diploma)

## SCHOOL OF health & human services

SOCIAL WORK:  
transfer to third year at the Universities of British Columbia (UBC), Victoria, Northern British Columbia, or Thompson Rivers University

SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE & EDUCATION

CLASSROOM/COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKER

HUMAN SERVICES:  
Child and Youth Care & Social Service Worker Specialties

## SCHOOL OF hospitality & tourism

RESORT & HOTEL MANAGEMENT:  
transfer to the Universities of Victoria, Calgary, Lethbridge, Guelph, Thompson Rivers University, or Malaspina University College

PROFESSIONAL COOK TRAINING

SKI RESORT OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT:  
transfer to Bachelor of Management degree programs at many Canadian universities

GOLF CLUB OPERATIONS ONLINE:  
transfer to Bachelor of Management degree programs at many Canadian universities

## SCHOOL OF digital media, music & information technology

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC & TECHNOLOGY:  
transfer to Berklee College of Music in Boston, MA, USA

MULTIMEDIA PRODUCTION & DESIGN

INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL FILM  
(advanced post-graduate diploma)

INTERNET BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY



for a complete listing of programs visit [selkirk.ca/programs](http://selkirk.ca/programs)

“As an instructor at Selkirk College, it is wonderful to see our students grow from being ESL students to graduates of a college program and reach that much closer to their dreams. I can't think of a better job to have.”

—Shana from Selkirk College



## SCHOOL OF renewable resources

**FORESTRY TECHNOLOGY:**  
transfer to University of British Columbia, University of Northern British Columbia, University of Alberta, Thompson River University and Enviro Science Degree Programs

**INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING TECHNOLOGY:**  
transfer to Royal Roads University, University of Northern British Columbia, Thompson River University, British Columbia Institute of Technology and University of Alberta

**RECREATION, FISH & WILDLIFE TECHNOLOGY:**  
complete Conservation Officer Training at Lethbridge College or Malaspina University College; transfer to Universities of Northern British Columbia, Lethbridge, and Thompson River University

**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)**

**ADVANCED POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA & BACHELOR DEGREE IN GIS**

## transfer

*As a member of the British Columbia Council on Admissions and Transfer, Selkirk College works hard to ensure that students can transfer credits to other post-secondary institutions. Many Selkirk College programs have transfer agreements in place with Canadian and International colleges and universities.*

## SCHOOL OF university arts & sciences

**ACADEMIC UNIVERSITY TRANSFER PROGRAMS**  
Associate Degrees in Biochemistry, Biology, Elementary Education, English, History, Psychology, General Arts or Sciences, Peace Studies, Writing Studies, Entry to Traditional Chinese Medicine: transfer to third year at major Canadian universities

**ENGINEERING TRANSFER:**  
transfer to University of British Columbia or University of Alberta

## Kootenay School of the Arts

**JEWELLERY, FIBRE, CLAY, METAL**  
(2-year Diploma Programs)

## MIR Centre for Peace

**INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES IN CULTURES & PEACE**

## Selkirk International

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM**  
**TESOL CERTIFICATE**  
**TESOL ADVANCED DIPLOMA**  
**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS**





# support services for international students



Selkirk International is proud of the high level of support it provides. Support services for international students include:

- Cultural and academic orientation information for all programs
- International Student Services Coordinator provides ongoing help with homestay, medical insurance, study and work permits, and international student cards
- Canadian Cultural Assistants plan special activities and participate with students in recreational and social events
- Free airport pickup for homestay students
- For a small additional fee, dormitory/residence students are provided assistance with banking and shopping upon arrival



## work experience opportunities at Selkirk College

Employment within the community is a great way to improve English skills. To be eligible for off-campus employment, students must have finished 6 months of study in a recognized diploma program or a course of studies leading to a degree. English Language (ESL) students do not qualify.

## co-operative education

Co-operative education allows students to obtain credits for work in their field of study. Co-operative education opportunities are available in the following college programs:

- Forestry Technology
- Integrated Environmental Planning
- Recreation, Fish & Wildlife
- Geographic Information Systems
- Business Administration
- Professional Management & Accounting/Finance
- University Transfer Applied Science (Engineering)

## field placement/practicums

Paid work experience is available to international students in these diploma programs:

- Resort and Hotel Management
- Ski Resort Operations & Management



visit [selkirk.ca/international](http://selkirk.ca/international) for more information

“ I gained many things from Selkirk College: English, trust, friends, confidence and a future ”

—Can from Turkey



## accommodation

### HOMESTAY - *the best choice for new students*

Staying with a Canadian family offers the best opportunity to speak English and learn about Canadian family life and culture. All homestay accommodations include a private room, 3 meals per day, and laundry facilities. A minimum of 4 months (1 semester) is recommended.

### DORMITORY/RESIDENCE - *a good choice for independent students with good language skills*

Kekuli House Residence, conveniently located on the Castlegar campus, is home to students from Canada and around the world. It provides private rooms with a shared bathroom, cooking facilities, and a common room with TV and pool table.

## admission & study permit

- Selkirk College will send a letter of acceptance, invoice and bank information once the application and transcripts have been reviewed.
- All international students must complete a student medical information form to submit with their tuition payment before the start of classes.
- Tuition fees can be paid by credit card, bank draft, bank transfer or international money order.
- Take the official letter of acceptance to the Canadian Embassy or High Commission for the study permit.

## health care

- The British Columbia government requires all international students to have medical insurance while studying in Canada. Students may have insurance from their home country or apply for insurance upon arrival in Canada.

## how to apply to Selkirk College:

- No TOEFL score is required for the English Language Program. Students may enter other college programs upon successful completion of Level 5 and English 51.
- For direct entry into Academic University Transfer, Certificate or Diploma programs, students must have English 12 or equivalent; or a TOEFL score of 79-80 (iBT) or 213 (CBT); or IELTS score of 6.5. Apply by mail, fax or Internet.
- Send official copies of transcripts or records of grades to the International Admissions Office. Send the complete application with \$100 CDN non-refundable processing fee.

International Admissions Office  
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Castlegar, BC  
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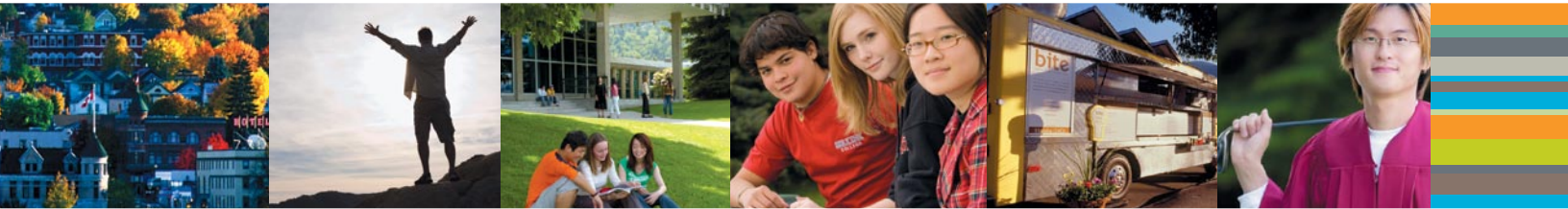
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# Selkirk College British Columbia, Canada

## SELKIRK COLLEGE

is a fully-accredited public college and is a member of:

- The Association of Community Colleges (ACCC)
- The British Columbia Centre of International Education (BCCIE)
- The Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE)
- The Canadian Education Centre Network (CECN)
- Canada Language Council (CLC)
- The British Columbia Council on Admissions and Transfer (BCCAT)
- Community Colleges in International Development (CCID)



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