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Agent Training: English Programs at UVic







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Victoria, British Columbia



- **CAPITAL CITY** of British Columbia
- **POPULATION:** 400,000
- **20-MINUTE** flight to Vancouver or Seattle
- **MILDEST CLIMATE** in Canada
- **TOP ISLAND DESTINATION** in Canada
- **GREAT** cafes, beaches and music scene
- **WORLD-FAMOUS** gardens + outdoor activities
- **#3 FRIENDLIEST CITY** in the world
- **CLEAN, SAFE + MULTI-CULTURAL**

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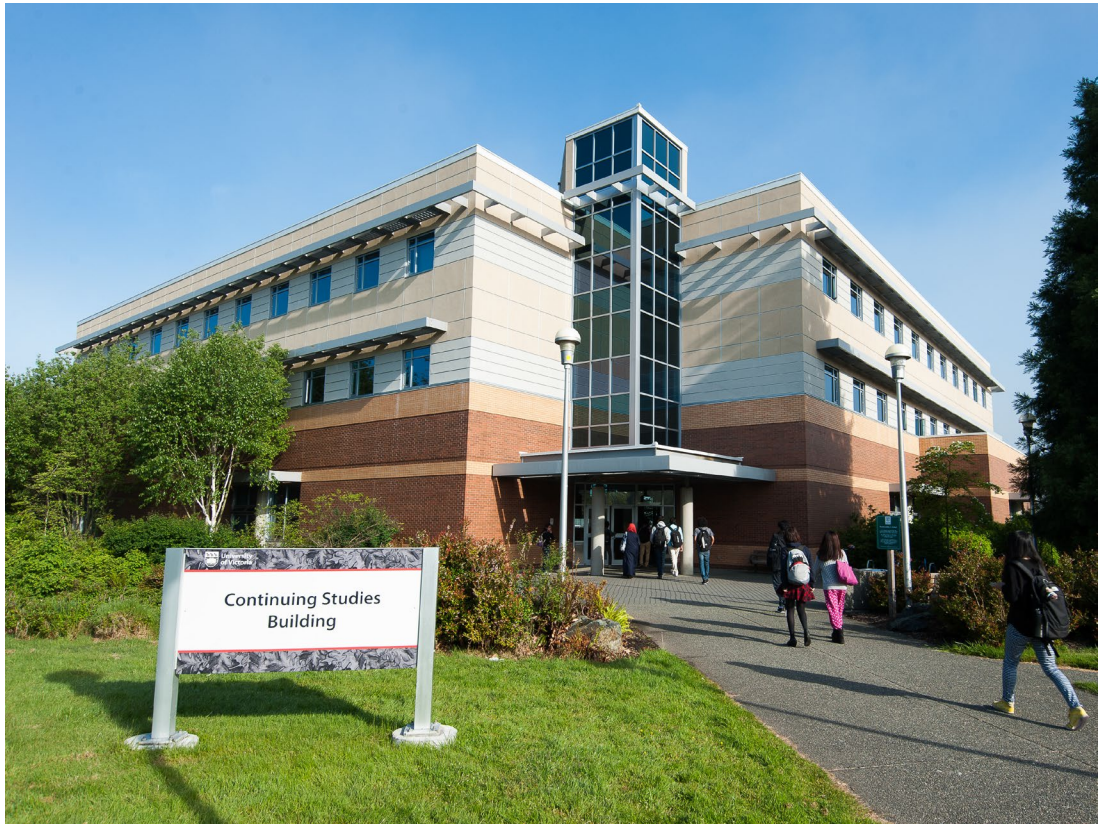
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- Canada's **leading** comprehensive and research-intensive university
- **22,020** students; 17% international
- **10** Faculties and **2** Divisions; **outstanding** Co-operative education
- **Beautiful** campus; 15-minute bus to downtown
- Partnerships with **200+** post-secondary institutions worldwide
- **Active and welcoming** campus community

Division of Continuing Studies (DCS)



A UVic division dedicated to **adult education** and **professional development** training in:

1. English Language Centre (ELC)
2. Business, Science and Technology
3. Language, Arts and Culture
4. Health, Safety and Public Relations

- **Diploma**, **certificate** and other programming in on-campus, online or hybrid formats
- **Collaborative** networks: UVic faculties, industry, communities and governments

English Language Centre (ELC)



- ✓ **56 years** of experience in EAL education
- ✓ **Award-winning** English programs and student support
- ✓ **Pathways** to UVic degree, diploma and certificate programs
- ✓ **TESOL-trained** instructors with international experience
- ✓ **Diverse community**: 2000+ ELC students each year
- ✓ **Easy access** to UVic amenities and services
- ✓ **Excellent** learning resources+ **supportive** community
- ✓ **Languages Canada** accredited
- ✓ **BC Education Quality Assurance** designated

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Languages Canada
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BC COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Winner: Excellence in International Student Support (2025)
Winner: Outstanding Program in International Education (2023)

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ELC Facilities and Resources



- ✓ 27 classrooms and computer labs
- ✓ ELC Learning Centre for conversation practice with Canadian volunteers, pronunciation workshops, writing tutorials, homework help and more
- ✓ Spacious atrium for studying, socializing and lunch, with microwaves, sinks, kettles, tables and sofas
- ✓ Student Services Package: bus pass, medical insurance, & gym membership
- ✓ Student Support Counsellor, Student immigration advising, Career counselling and workshops

Portfolio of ELC Programs

Improve your English

Intensive English ELPI – 12 weeks

For learners to improve overall English skills; also suitable for students with ELC Preliminary Admission to UVic

Intensive English ELPI Summer – 10 weeks

For learners to improve overall English skills; also suitable for students with ELC Preliminary Admission to UVic

Language and Culture – 3-6 weeks

For learners seeking short-term program to improve communication skills

Pursue a degree

University Admission Preparation (UAP) – 12 weeks

For learners preparing to apply for UVic degree programs; also suitable for students with Conditional Admission to UVic

UAP and Canadian Studies – 4 weeks

For learners preparing to apply for UVic degree programs; also suitable for students with Conditional Admission to UVic

University Pathway Program – 12 months

For learners to improve academic English skills while completing UVic credit courses

“Improve Your English” program options: Who are they for?



- ✓ Students who are aged 18+. Our minimum age is 18 but there is no maximum
- ✓ Students who want to study in a Canadian university environment, with high-quality resources, supports and activities
- ✓ Mature students and/or professional who are looking for professional development
- ✓ “GAP” year students who want to explore and study English before university

Intensive English (ELPI)

	12-week ELPI	10-week Summer ELPI
Start dates	January, April, September	July
Class hours	18 core class hours per week 4.5 specialized skills class hours per week	18 core class hours per week 4.5 specialized skills class hours per week
*Schedule	**AM** students: core classes on Tuesday – Friday; specialized skills classes on Monday **PM** students: core classes on Monday – Thursday; specialized skills classes on Friday mornings	Afternoon Core classes on Monday – Thursday Specialized skills classes on
Levels	6: Upper Beginner to University Admission Preparation	5: Upper Beginner to Advanced
Curriculum	Integrated skills approach to build well-rounded English proficiency (S/L/R/W)	Integrated skills approach to build well-rounded English proficiency (S/L/R/W)
Socio-cultural activities	Free weekday activities Optional weekend activities	Free weekday activities Optional weekend activities
Housing	Homestay with meals	Homestay with meals

*Students will be placed in a morning **OR** afternoon class once they've been tested by the ELC.

Language and Culture

	September – March	May – August
Duration	4 weeks, full time	3 – 6 weeks, full time
Schedule	20 class hours per week Monday – Thursday, mornings & afternoons	20 class hours per week Monday – Friday, mornings
Levels	6 general English levels (Upper Beginner to High Advanced)	6 general English levels (Upper Beginner to High Advanced)
Curriculum	**English through Themes** – Canada, Global Issues, and Society & Culture – with a focus on communication skills	**English through Themes** – Canada, Global Issues, and Society & Culture – with a focus on communication skills
Socio-cultural activities	Fridays Optional weekend activities	Monday – Friday, afternoons and evenings Optional weekend activities
Housing	Homestay with meals	Homestay with meals (May/June) UVic Dormitory with meals (July & August)

“Pursue a degree” program options: Who are they for?

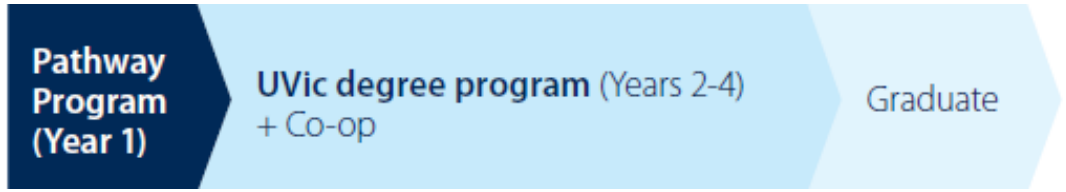


- ✓ Students who are aged 18+
- ✓ Students who need to meet the English requirement for a UVic degree program
- ✓ Students who have received an offer of Conditional Admission to a UVic degree program
- ✓ Students who have received an offer of ELC Preliminary Admission to a UVic degree program

University Admission Preparation

	University Admission Preparation (UAP)	UAP and Canadian Studies (UAPC)
Start dates	January, April & September – 12 weeks, full time	August – 4 weeks, full time
Weekly class hours	18 academic English class hours 4.5 specialized skills class hours	10 academic English class hours 10 Canadian Studies class hours
Schedule	Academic English classes on Mon – Thur afternoons Specialized skills classes on Friday mornings	Monday – Friday mornings
English entry level	IELTS 6 (no section < 5.5), TOEFL iBT 79 (no section < 17) or passing grade on ELPI 500	IELTS 6 (no section < 5.5), TOEFL iBT 79 (no section < 17) or passing grade on ELPI 500
Program focus	Academic English to develop skills in: oral presentation, notetaking, essay writing, academic reading and research	• Academic English to develop skills in: oral presentation, notetaking, essay writing, academic reading and research • Introduction to Canadian Studies
Socio-cultural activities	Free weekday activities Optional weekend activities	Optional weekend activities
Housing	Homestay with meals	UVic Dormitory with meals

University Pathway Program



**Engineering is a 5-year program with mandatory co-op.*

Academic Session	Dates	UVic degree courses	English Language courses
Fall/Winter	Sept – Dec	Degree course 1	Academic English (ELPI 400)
	Jan – April	Degree course 2 Degree course 3	Academic English (ELPI 500)
Spring/ Summer	April – May	Degree course 4	Academic English (UAP)
	May – June	Degree course 5 Degree course 6	English touring support
	July – Aug	Degree course 7	English touring support

- One year program starting in September
- 4 Streams: Business, Science, Social Sciences, and Engineering/Computer Science
- Combines 3 academic English courses +7 UVic credit courses (total 13.5 credits)
- Helps develop academic skills and healthy study habits
- Student support & recourses: tutorials, workshops, academic advising/coaching, ELC Learning Centre
- Optional activities, student-led clubs, sports
- Homestay or campus dormitory accommodation

Accommodation Options

UVic Homestay

- Safe, comfortable and friendly home environment
- Carefully selected and screened family
- A private, furnished room with Wi-Fi
- All meals and snacks everyday
- Easy bus commute to UVic (within 85 minutes)
- UVic Homestay staff support throughout program(s)
- Daily English conversation practice
- An unforgettable “Canadian” experience

On-Campus Dormitory

- Central location on campus
- Single room with a bed, desk, dresser, mirror, linens and free Wi-Fi
- Cafeteria meal plan
- Laundry facilities
- Support of Cultural Assistants
- **Safety!** 24/7 Campus Security support
- Additional evening activities

ELC Socio-Cultural Activities

Free activities

- Friday coffee socials
- Arts + Craft workshops
- Royal BC Museum visit
- Sports + nature hikes
- Conversation Club

Optional activities ($)

- Whale-watching, Weekend trip to Vancouver, Butchart Gardens, Kayaking, Theatre, Hockey Game, High Tea





ELC program fees include…



- 20-22 class hours per week
- Secure accommodation (private room)
- Meals and snacks (7 days/week)
- Medical insurance
- Bus pass
- Gym pass
- Free activity calendar
- Learning Centre Resources
- Cultural Assistant support
- Certificate of Completion + Report Card

Application Process for ELC Programs

Application Fees and Deposits (CAD)	
Program Application Fee (non-refundable, paid only once)	$150
Program Deposit (non-refundable, per program)	$350
Homestay Application Fee (if applicable; non-refundable)	$300
Long-Term Program Deposit (non-refundable, *paid only if studying in programs totalling over 6 months*)	$1500

Application steps

- ✓ Submit an online application form **via your Continuing Studies account** (Homestay application follows, if applicable)
- ✓ Pay non-refundable fees and deposits
- ✓ Receive acceptance documents by email
- ✓ Apply for the appropriate visa (if applicable)
- ✓ Pay the tuition balance and student services fees 5 weeks before the program start date

Questions? Contact Us ☺

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