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Course Outlines 2006

ENGLISH CONVERSATION (ESL)

Our English classes are fun, interactive and effective. All classes focus on improving your fluency. The morning program uses a textbook and covers all language skills, plus pronunciation, idioms and vocabulary building. The afternoon program focuses more on discussion and fluency activities and does not require a textbook. Max: 12 students/class.

ESL Full-time

- 25 hours/week 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Minimum age: 15
- Levels: Beginner to Advanced
- Start Dates: any Monday

ESL Mornings

- 15 hours/week 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Minimum age: 15
- Levels: Beginner to Advanced
- Start Dates: any Monday

ESL Afternoons

- 10 hours/week 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Minimum age: 15
- Levels: Beginner to Advanced
- Start Dates: any Monday

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

While preparing for University of Cambridge exams, students will improve their fluency, listening skills, grammar and confidence in exams. The exams are optional, and allow passing students to receive a world-recognized Certificate from the University of Cambridge, UK, in addition to their Stewart College Graduation Certificate. It may sometimes be necessary for students to travel to Vancouver to take the oral test, in which case they will be responsible for their travel expenses (approximately \$75).

First Certificate in English (FCE) Prep

This course provides comprehensive skills development for Intermediate students in Speaking, Listening, Use of English, Reading and Writing. The FCE exam is optional. Maximum 12 students/class.

- Intensive: 28 hrs/wk, Full-time: 25 hrs/wk
 - Minimum Age: 15
 - Level: Intermediate to Advanced.
- Course 1 (10 wks): 3 Jan-10 Mar, Exam 11 Mar
Course 2 (12 wks): 20 Mar-9 Jun, Exam 13 Jun
Course 3 (12 wks): 12 Jun-1 Sep, No exam
Course 4 (12 wks): 18 Sep-8 Dec, Exam 12 Dec

Certificate of Advanced English (CAE) Prep

This course is the higher-level version of the FCE and is designed for Advanced students. It provides comprehensive skills development in Speaking, Listening, Use of English, Reading and Writing. The CAE exam is optional. Max. 12 students/class.

- Intensive: 28 hrs/wk, Full-time: 25 hrs/wk
 - Minimum Age: 15
 - Level: Intermediate to Advanced.
- Course 1 (10 wks): 3 Jan-10 Mar, Exam 11 Mar
Course 2 (12 wks): 20 Mar-9 Jun, Exam 14 Jun
Course 3 (12 wks): 12 Jun-1 Sep, No exam
Course 4 (12 wks): 18 Sep-8 Dec, Exam 13 Dec

Business English Certificate (BEC) Prep

Prepares students in reading, writing, listening & speaking through a range of business areas. Communication based, course focuses on English as it is used in today's global business world. Optional exam. Max: 12.

- Intensive: 28 hrs/wk, Full-time: 25 hrs/wk, Part-time: 15 hrs/wk
 - Minimum Age: 15
 - Level: Intermediate to Advanced.
- Course 1 (10 wks): 3 Jan-10 Mar, Exam 17 Mar
Course 2 (12 wks): 13 Mar-2 Jun, Exam 8 Jun
Course 3 (12 wks): 12 Jun-1 Sep, No exam
Course 4 (12 wks): 11 Sep-1 Dec, Exam 2 Dec

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION

Students 11-17 years old who are coming to Victoria for a holiday, to study English, or to join a Canadian High School will enjoy this full-time program. They will develop English communication skills and build knowledge of Canadian history, geography and culture. Extensive use is made of SAT and GED resources in the curriculum. Guaranteed variety of nationalities in class. Max: 12/class.

- Full-time: 25 hrs/wk
 - Minimum Age: 11
 - Level: Beginner to Advanced
- Course Dates: 3 Jan – 1 Sep

TEST PREPARATION

In addition to University Of Cambridge Exam Preparation programs, we prepare students for the following important exams and tests.

TOEFL Internet Based Test (IBT) Prep

TOEFL is widely recognized by Universities as an indicator of students' levels. The new test includes a speaking component and is computer based. Our program develops the skills needed for all sections of the test and students will practice for the computer test using CD Rom practice tests. Max: 12 per class.

TOEFL Internet Based Test (IBT) continued

- Part-time: 15 hrs/wk or can be combined with ESL afternoons to make a full-time 25 hrs/wk program.
- Level: Intermediate to Advanced
- Minimum age: 15

Course 1: 3 Jan – 24 Mar

Course 2: 27 Mar – 16 Jun

Course 3: 19 Jun – 8 Sep

Course 4: 11 Sep – 1 Dec

TOEIC Test Preparation

This part-time program prepares students for the business-oriented TOEIC test. Students will focus on all sections of the test including pronunciation, listening, grammar review & vocabulary building. Includes test practice and business idioms. Max: 12 students/class.

- Part-time: 3 hrs/wk, Mon & Wed 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- 12 weeks to complete program.
- Minimum age: 15

Course 1: 3 Jan – 24 Mar

Course 2: 27 Mar – 16 Jun

Course 3: 19 Jun – 8 Sep

Course 4: 11 Sep – 1 Dec

Optional TOEIC Tests are held on a regular basis at our school (minimum 5 students).

IELTS Preparation

This exam is required as proof of English level for immigration purposes and employment by government departments in Canada and around the world. The new preparation program offered by Stewart College prepares students for all aspects of the test. Max: 12 students/class.

- Part-time: 15 hrs/wk or can be combined with ESL Afternoons to make a full-time (25 hrs/wk) program.
- Level: Intermediate to Advanced
- Minimum Age: 15

Course 1: 20 Mar – 9 Jun

Course 2: 11 Sep – 1 Dec

SAT and GED Preparation

Private and semi-private or custom group programs are available to prepare students for the American SAT or the Canadian GED exams. Please ask for more information.

TEACHING ENGLISH

Teaching English to Children (TEC)

This Certificate program gives student-teachers the tools needed to teach English to children in their home country. A good introduction to teaching English, this program includes lesson planning, practice teaching, songs and games, story-telling and focused skills development for teaching all language skills. Maximum 10 students per class

- Full-time: approximately 90 hours/4 weeks plus optional 6 hour practicum
- Minimum age: 18
- Level: intermediate and higher

Course Start Dates: 6 Feb, 1 May, 4 Jul, 5 Sep, 6 Nov.

Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) Diploma

Our 5-week TESL program meets TESL Canada requirements and prepares students to teach English as a Second Language overseas. The curriculum includes:

- Historical overview of TESL teaching
- Models of Second Language Acquisition
- Linguistics
- Methodological Issues such as Lesson planning, material analysis & development, curriculum for specific contexts, techniques for teaching all language skills, assessment and feedback
- Professional issues such as resources, professional conduct and practice, classroom management.

The optional practicum allows eligible students to attain valuable teaching practice. Graduating students will receive a TESL Diploma from Stewart College. Max:12 /class.

- Full-time: 100 hours over 4 wks, + homework. Practicum: 20 hours in fifth week including 10 hours practice teaching plus observation and review/feedback.
- Level: IELTS 6.5 overall or TOEFL equivalent (ask for more details)
- Minimum requirements: Grade 12 or equivalent
- Minimum Age: 18

Course 1: 5-30 June, Practicum 4 – 7 Jul

Course 2: 4 – 28 Jul, Practicum 31 Jul - 4 Aug

Course 3: 5 – 29 Sep, Practicum, 2 - 6 Oct

Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) Diploma for International Students

This is our TESL Diploma designed especially for International students. There is no practicum. Maximum: 12 students per class.

- Full-time: 100 hours over 4 wks, + homework.
- Level: Intermediate or higher
- Minimum Age: 18

Course 1: 5-30 June

Course 2: 4–28 Jul

Course 3: 5–29 Sep

CUSTOM GROUP PROGRAMS

We can design special programs for your group of 8 or more students. Sightseeing, activities, tests, homestay services and airport transfer can be included. Programs can also be designed to suit the specific interests of your group. For example:

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| • Business intensive | • Seniors' sightseeing |
| • Nursing | • English/Martial arts |
| • Test preparation | • Teen Holiday |
| • High School prep | • Gardening, Crafts |
| • English / Golf | • Mandarin or other foreign language |
| • Special interest | |

