

International Student Summer Credit Programs



July/August 2020

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Program Length & Duration

- 4-week, 110 hour, intensive program (100% participation is mandatory)
- 9:00 am to 3:40 pm, daily
- July 27 to August 21, 2020

Who is Eligible?

- Age 14 to 18, entering Grade 9 to 12
- New international students attending YRDSB secondary schools beginning the September semester
- International students attending non-YRDSB secondary school (short-term visitors or enrolled in private/public school)
- Students must be able to begin on the first day of class, and attend each day for the entire duration of the program
- Current YRDSB students (may only participate in ONE summer credit program offered by YRDSB)

PAL English test results will confirm initial course eligibility; however, a formal, face-to-face English assessment will take place on the first day of class to confirm prerequisites. If the student does not meet the prerequisite noted, YRDSB will place the student in an alternate, appropriate course.

Program Fee

- \$1,888 Non-YRDSB Students (includes registration fee, program fee, medical insurance, and a Toronto excursion)
- \$1,562.50 YRDSB students currently enrolled at a YRDSB school

Location

Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning
36 Regatta Ave., Richmond Hill, ON L4E 4R1

Homestay

[Homestay](#) is available and strongly encouraged. Visit the website for homestay options.

If not selecting homestay, students must live in a home environment with immediate family, or family friends. A Custodian, over age 25, living in close proximity to the student, and Canadian Citizen or PR must be identified.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS - ELECTIVES

Designing Your Future – GLW 30

This course increases the student's understanding of their educational pathway to make informed decisions toward post-secondary destinations as they investigate postsecondary options.

Students will also discover and identify their strengths based on their skills, interests and personal characteristics and apply this knowledge in making successful course selections to successfully transitions to post-secondary destinations.

Students will explore the realities and opportunities of the future post-secondary opportunities and workplace options and examine factors that affect success while refining their employability skills.

Students will begin to build their portfolios with a focus on their targeted destination and develop an action plan for future success.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS – ESL

ESL Level 1 (AO)

This course builds on students' previous education and language knowledge to introduce them to the English language. Students will use beginning English language skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing for everyday and essential academic purposes. The course also provides students with the knowledge and skills they need to begin to adapt to their new lives in Canada.

ESL Level 3 (CO)

This course further extends students' skills in English. Students will make short classroom oral presentations, read a variety of adapted and original texts in English, and write using a variety of text forms. As well, students will expend their academic vocabulary and their skills to facilitate their transition to the mainstream school program.

ESL Level 2 (BO)

This course extends students' listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills for everyday and academic purposes. Students will participate in conversations in structured situations, read a variety of texts designed or adapted for English language learners, expand their knowledge of English grammatical structures and sentence patterns, and link English sentences to compose paragraphs.

ESL Level 4 (DO)

This course prepares students to use English with increasing fluency and accuracy in classroom and social situations. They will extend listening and speaking skills through participation in discussions and seminars, study and interpret a variety of grade-level texts, write narratives, articles and summaries in English, and respond critically to a variety of print and media texts.

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Presentation & Speaking Skills EPS3OL

This course emphasizes the knowledge and skills required to plan and make effective presentations and to speak effectively in both formal and informal contexts, using such forms as reports, speeches, debates, panel discussions, storytelling, recitations, interviews, and multimedia presentations. Students will research and analyze the content and characteristics of convincing speeches and the techniques of effective speakers; design and rehearse presentations for a variety of purposes and audiences; select and use visual and technological aids to enhance their message; and assess the effectiveness of their own and others' presentations.

Information & Communication Technology BTT2O1

This course introduces students to information and communication technology in a business environment and builds a foundation of digital literacy skills necessary for success in a technologically driven society. Students will develop word processing, spreadsheet, database, desktop publishing, presentation software, and website design skills. Throughout the course, there is an emphasis on digital literacy, effective electronic research and communication skills, and current issues related to the impact of information and communication technology.

WHO WE ARE

The York Region District School Board is a leader in education with a robust international education program. Each year, hundreds of international students choose YRDSB as their preferred learning destination.

Begin your learning journey by registering for a summer credit program. Spaces are limited, register early.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

This program is designed for ESL international students who want to improve their use of English by participating in ESL or subject specific courses. Short-term international visitors, international students enrolled in private or public schools and international students starting school at a YRDSB school in September are welcome!

1. Visit the [International Education Services](#) website.
2. Download and complete the [application](#).
3. Download and complete the [supplementary application form](#).
4. Submit the two forms, including a copy of your passport, and most recent transcript to international.education@yrdsb.ca.
5. Submit payment by bank draft (payable to York Region District School Board) or by wire transfer to [WU GlobalPay](#) for Students.
6. The Letter of Acceptance will confirm admission into the program and will be sent by email.

Each student is required to complete the PAL online English assessment prior to the start of the program. An email inviting the student to access the online tutorial and English assessment will be sent upon acceptance to

CONTACT US

For additional information please contact us:

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Registration information is available from the [website](#):
www.yrdsb.ca/international-summer

