



***Adventures in Life...  
Success in Learning***



# Where We Are



College of the Rockies is located in the Canadian Rocky Mountains in the centre of a world famous recreation environment featuring

- spectacular mountain setting
- forests for hiking and camping
- well-known skiing/snowboarding area within 30 minutes drive from the campus
- relaxed lifestyle with no crowds!



College of the Rockies main campus is in the City of Cranbrook, BC

- regional population 80,000
- sunny climate
- safe, clean and friendly modern city
- low cost of living
- one hour drive from the USA border and three hour drive to scenic Banff
- daily flights from Vancouver (90 minutes) and Calgary (45 minutes)





# The Community



**Cranbrook has many facilities and services within walking distance of the College**

- major swimming pool complex
- multi-cinema complex
- department stores including Wal-Mart
- major supermarkets and shopping malls
- recreation complex – home of the Kootenay Ice hockey team
- Key City Theatre - live musical performances and plays
- numerous fast food and other restaurants
- major Canadian banks
- regional hospital/health services
- Cranbrook Golf Course beside the College
- Community Forest for hiking and mountain biking next to College
- free public transit system with bus route to the College



# Why College in Canada?



## What is a public college?

In Canada, colleges offer

- Certificates
- Diplomas
- Associate Degrees
- Bachelor Degrees
- Graduate Certificates

BC public colleges are

- regulated, accredited and funded by the Government of British Columbia and offer many university programs
- specialists in applied career training for the workplace
- part of a unique college/university transfer system (see <http://www.bccat.bc.ca>) offering consistent quality control

## College of the Rockies is a member of the BC public college/university system

- established in 1975
- 2,500 Canadian students
- 200 international students from more than 25 countries
- small and interactive classes
- highly qualified and dedicated instructors
- extra support for students
- reasonable tuition fees
- applied workplace training (leading to jobs)
- university courses that transfer easily to universities in BC, Canada and our partner schools around the world

## Work in Canada

- work part time on campus (all students)
- work part time in any job while attending COTR (after completing six months of a non-ESL program)
- stay in Canada and work after completing a college program of at least eight months (length of work permit = length of program)
- diploma and degree programs of at least two years in length are eligible for a THREE year post-graduate work permit after graduation.



# About the Campus



## Campus Facilities

- clean, bright and modern buildings

- free wireless internet and easy access to computers
- library and study areas
- bookstore
- cafeteria

- exercise and weight room
- indoor climbing wall
- outdoor sports field and track
- gymnasium
- on-campus student residence
  - international students welcome all year



## Student Services

- Recreation Activity Coordinators
  - provide activities for students on and off campus
- International Student Advisors/ Homestay Coordinator
- Academic Advisors
- Free international phone calls home
- Bus pass included in student fees

# Accommodation



## College of the Rockies offers a choice of accommodation. Students can choose

- homestay with a Canadian host
- on-campus housing at our student residence
- apartment buildings close to the College for students who choose to make their own arrangements.

## Homestay

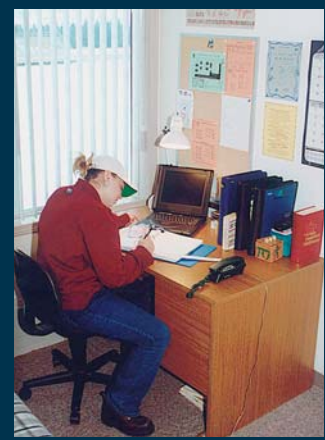
The College carefully recommends host families to provide a safe, comfortable and friendly environment. In homestay, students can

- meet Canadian friends
- learn about life in Canada and Canadian culture
- receive help and support
- enjoy unique activities with the homestay host
- learn English more quickly by practicing at home

Homestay includes

- a private furnished bedroom
- all meals and snacks eaten in the home and a bag lunch on school days
- free laundry facilities
- free airport pick-up from Cranbrook Airport
- students can change homestays for no extra fee if they are not satisfied
- convenient public bus transportation between college and homestay

Students pay host families directly in advance each month.



### **Purcell House student residence on campus**

The student residence welcomes Canadian and international students all year. The residence is a great place to meet Canadian college students and enjoy campus life. Features of the residence include

- all private, single furnished bedrooms
- convenient three minute walk to classrooms
- clean, secure and modern building located beside the community forest
- apartment “pod” style – each pod contains six bedrooms, two bathrooms, one kitchen and one living room

- common lounges for all residents include TV, vending machines and fireplace
- coin laundry facilities
- cable TV, telephone and internet access available in each room for an additional monthly fee
- live-in Residence Advisors to assist students and provide social activities
- free pick-up from Cranbrook Airport

Students living in residence are expected to

- purchase and prepare their own meals in the kitchen or purchase meals from the College cafeteria on weekdays
- provide their own bedding, dishes and cookware

- share in cleaning duties with other residents

Applications can be submitted online at [www.cotr.bc.ca/residence/application.htm](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/residence/application.htm)



# Application and Admission Process



College of the Rockies' admission process is easy... just follow these steps:

- 1. COMPLETE THE ON-LINE APPLICATION FORM** at [www.cotr.bc.ca/internl/apply.asp](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/internl/apply.asp)
- 2. ONCE ACCEPTED - PAY CDN\$100 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE** and provide a copy of your passport. You will receive a message by email to confirm receipt of your application and provide detailed payment instructions. An additional courier and bank fee may be required.
- 3. YOU WILL BE SENT AN OFFICIAL LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE** after we receive both the application fee and application for admission. At the time of acceptance, students are admitted to College programs generally, but not to specific courses. All admissions are subject to students arriving before semester deadlines. Students must be at least 18 years old to attend.
- 4. APPLY FOR A CANADA STUDY PERMIT** at a Canadian Embassy if you plan to study for more than six months. **No study permit is required for study less than six months.** The official letter of acceptance must be included in your study permit application. You should make the study permit application at least three months before the start of classes to allow for study permit processing. Information on the study permit process can be viewed at [www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca)
- 5. PAY THE REMAINDER OF YOUR TUITION FEES** when your study permit is approved. Registration in individual classes cannot be completed until semester tuition and student fees are paid in full. Some scholarships are available for returning international students.

NOTE: All registrations are subject to the student's level of English competency, possession of course prerequisites, and the availability of specific programs, courses and sections.



# English Requirements for Academic Programs



## If English is not your first language, the College offers **CONDITIONAL** and **DIRECT** admission for college programs

### DIRECT ADMISSION

- Students proceed to a full-time academic program with Canadian students.
- An English Language Assessment is not needed.

### Requirements:

- TOEFL/iBT 80, or IELTS 6 (minimum 5.5 in reading and writing)
- English 12/90 in Canada, or completion of College of the Rockies English Language Training or equivalent as determined by College of the Rockies

### CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

- No TOEFL/IELTS needed
- English Language Assessment required before registration.
- Test results will determine if a student must take the English Language Training (ESL) program, or can proceed directly to a full academic program.
- Students who complete the English Language Training program may proceed directly to their academic program.

## Programs offering **Conditional Admission**

- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Business Administration (certificate or diploma)
- College Preparation/High School Completion
- Global Studies Graduate certificate
- Human Kinetics
- Tourism and Recreation Management
- University Studies - Arts
- University Studies - Sciences

# English Language Training (ESL)



## Students from all over the world attend College of the Rockies' English Language Training (ESL) program.

This intensive integrated program is for students

- preparing for academic programs in Canada and/or
  - improving communication skills
- Minimum age 18 years old; mature students welcome

The program is designed to improve all language areas including

- listening
- speaking
- communication/conversation
- reading
- writing/grammar
- TOEFL preparation

The ESL schedule consists of

- 22 hours per week of classes
- mornings and afternoons, weekdays
- interactive classes

## Levels are available for all language abilities

- multiple levels of ESL and English
- students are placed in the appropriate level after completion of the English Language Assessment
- approximately four months to complete a level
- during the fall and winter semesters, students in the top level of ESL may take an academic course with Canadian students for audit or credit

- students who complete all levels of the ESL program may take high school then university level English courses offered at the College
- short-term students are welcome to attend any semester for a minimum of six weeks

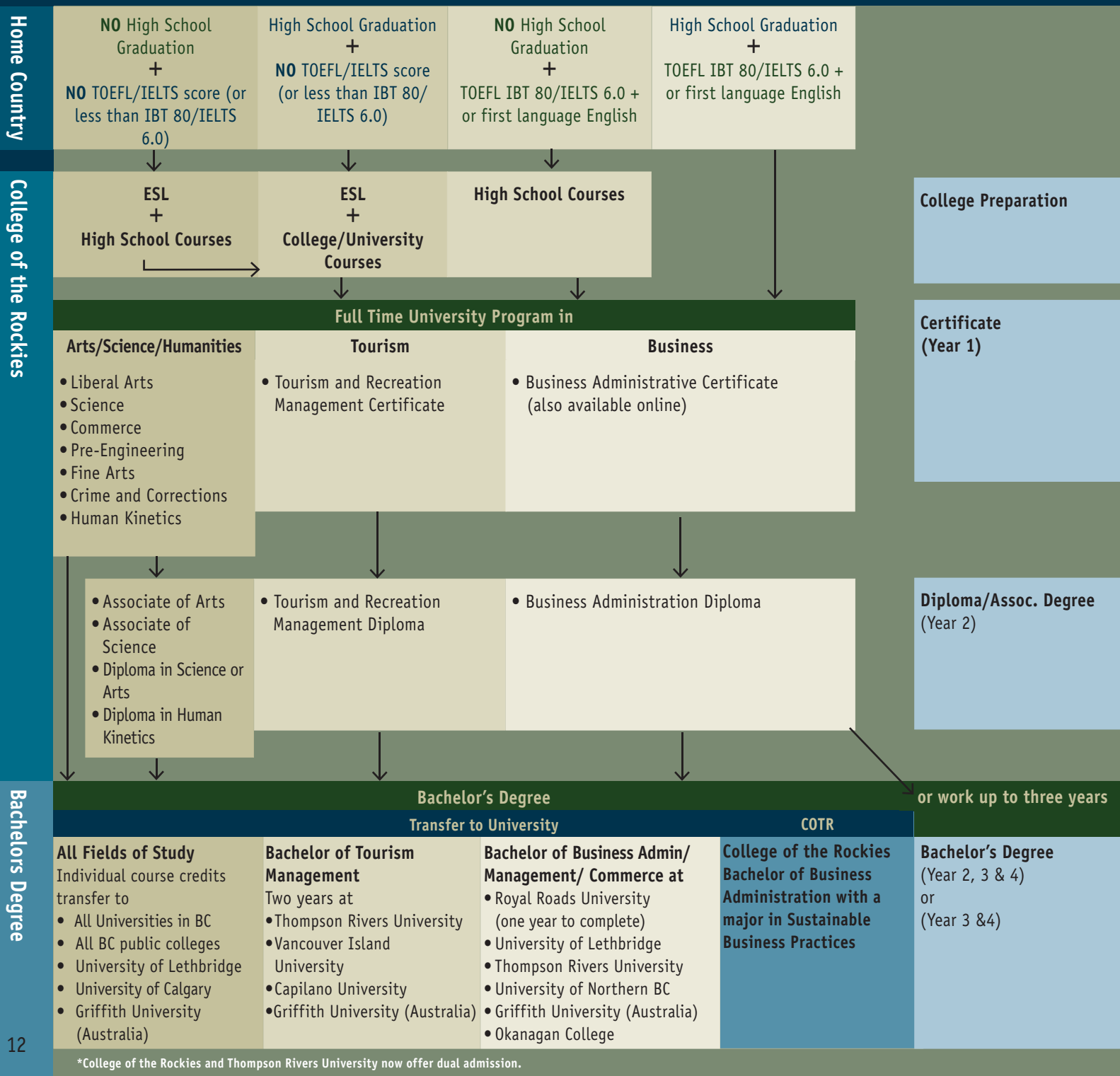
# Programs

Programs <a href="http://www.cotr.bc.ca/programs-courses/">www.cotr.bc.ca/programs-courses/</a>	University Transfer	COTR Bachelor's Degree	Partnership Degrees (UVIC)	Associate Degrees	Graduate Certificate	Diploma 1 to 2 years	Certificate 1 year or less
Access to Practical Nursing							•
Administrative Studies						•	
Adventure Tourism Business Operations	•					•	•
Automotive Service Technician							•
Bachelor of Education			•				
Bachelor of Science in Nursing			•				
Business Administration	•	•				•	•
Carpentry							•
Certified Dental Assistant							•
Child, Youth and Family Studies	•					•	•
Computer and Web Specialist							•
Culinary Arts (Cook Training)							•
Early Childhood Education	•					•	•
Education Assistant	•					•	•
English Language Training (ESL)							•
Environmental Studies	•						•
Fine Arts	•						•
Fire Services						•	•
Global Studies					•		
Hairdressing							•
Health Care Assistant							•
Heavy Duty Mechanics							•
Human Kinetics	•					•	•
Human Service Worker	•					•	•
Mountain Adventure Skills Training							•
Network Support Technician						•	•
Office Administration Program							•
Practical Nursing							•
Technical Trades (Electrical, Plumbing, Welding)							•
Timber Framing							•
Tourism and Recreation Management	•					•	•
University Preparation/High School Completion						•	
University Studies - Arts*	•			•		•	•
University Studies - Sciences*	•			•		•	•

\*University Arts include: Psychology, Anthropology, Economics, English, Fine Arts, Geography, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Sociology and more!



# International Student Program Pathways



# Program Details



## UNIVERSITY OPTIONS

[www.cotr.bc.ca/university](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/university)

### Degree Options

- Complete a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration here; OR
- Start your university education at College of the Rockies and complete your Bachelor's Degree at a famous Canadian university (university transfer)

### University Programs:

- University Studies - Arts
- University Studies - Sciences
- Business Administration
- Tourism and Recreation Management
- Adventure Tourism Business Operations
- Human Kinetics

## UNIVERSITY STUDIES - ARTS AND SCIENCES

[www.cotr.bc.ca/university](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/university)

- First and second-year university level courses for credit towards a four-year Bachelor's Degree in most fields of study
- University courses that transfer easily to all universities in BC including UBC, and our partner schools across Canada and around the world including Griffith University (Australia)
- Access to a unique college/university transfer system (see [www.bccat.bc.ca](http://www.bccat.bc.ca))
- Certificates, Diplomas and Associate Degrees
- Consistent quality control and very small class sizes

## UNIVERSITY PREPARATION/ HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION

[www.cotr.bc.ca/access/](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/access/)

### We offer:

- The BC Adult Graduation Diploma equivalent to Canadian High School Graduation
- High school prerequisites for college courses

## GLOBAL STUDIES GRADUATE CERTIFICATE (GLST)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/global-studies](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/global-studies)

This innovative program is designed to help students apply their learning to international, global and intercultural situations.

### Specialties include

- Global Services in Business
- Sustainable Tourism
- Environmental Sustainability



## **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (BBA and BUAD)**

[www.cotr.bc.ca/BBA](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/BBA)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/BusinessAdmin](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/BusinessAdmin)

The Business Administration program is designed for students interested in pursuing a

- Certificate
- Diploma with majors in Accounting, Marketing or General Management
- Bachelor's Degree (BBA) from
  - College of the Rockies - Major in Sustainable Business Practices - or
  - Our partner universities - diploma students receive two years of credit towards a four-year degree.

Students completing a Business Administration Diploma or Degree are eligible for a three-year work permit in Canada.

## **TOURISM AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT (TRMP)**

[www.cotr.bc.ca/TourismRec](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/TourismRec)

Study Tourism and Recreation in the Rocky Mountains, one of the most famous tourism regions in the world. Options include

- Certificate (eight months)
- Diploma - (two years)
- Bachelor of Tourism Management Degree - Diploma students receive two years of credit towards a four-year degree when they transfer to our partner universities.
  - Thompson Rivers University
  - Vancouver Island University
  - Capilano University
  - Griffith University (Australia)

A post-graduation work permit is available for students completing the certificate or diploma.

## **ADVENTURE TOURISM BUSINESS OPERATIONS (ATBO)**

[www.cotr.bc.ca/atbo](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/atbo)

This program provides practical training in the operation of a nature-based tourism business including

- management and business skills training
- outdoor guiding and leadership skills
- work experience with industry partners
- certificate and diploma options

## **MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE SKILLS TRAINING (MAST)**

[www.cotr.bc.ca/mast](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/mast)

The MAST program offers

- professional certifications in the adventure tourism industry
- outdoor guiding and leadership skills





- experiential learning with world renown instructors in
  - avalanche safety
  - rock climbing
  - mountaineering
  - kayaking
  - backcountry skiing
- intermediate skiing ability is a requirement for this program

### COMPUTER AND WEB SPECIALIST (CWS)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/cws](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/cws)

This eight month certificate includes instruction in

- personal computer and small network support
- media and web support

Students completing the CWS Certificate may take the Network Support Technician Diploma

### OFFICE ADMINISTRATION (OFAD)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/ofad](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/ofad)

Three certificates offered

- Administrative Assistant
- Office Administration and Bookkeeping
- Legal Administrative Assistant

An Administrative Studies Diploma is available to students who complete an Office Administration certificate and one year of Business Administration

### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/ece](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/ece)

This 10-month program is the first step in becoming a Certified Early Childhood Educator in BC. It includes

- classroom instruction
- online courses

- work experience practicum at a childcare facility

Students who complete the ECE Certificate program can continue in the Diploma with specializations in

- infant/toddler care; or
- children with special needs

### PROFESSIONAL COOK TRAINING (COOK)

[www.cotr.bc.ca/culinary](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/culinary)

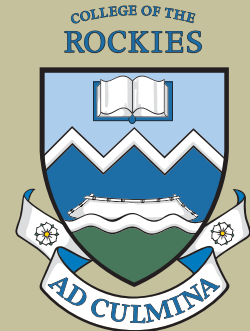
- 25-week program
- practical experience
- fully equipped training kitchen
- experience in a formal dining room

## *Advantages of Studying at College of the Rockies*



### Top 10 Reasons to Study at College of the Rockies

1. Complete a quality recognized degree, diploma, certificate, post-graduate certificate or associate degree.
2. Start your university program with us and complete your degree at any university in BC including UBC or our partner schools across Canada and around the world.
3. Credits are transferable to many major universities across Canada and internationally.
4. Work options are available for students completing six months of an academic program.
5. Our highly qualified instructors can give you the personal attention you need in small classes.
6. Conditional acceptance to college programs is available for students whose first language is not English.
7. Our tuition fees are up to 50% less than major universities.
8. Live in a safe and friendly resort city where the cost of living is more affordable compared to many other locations in Canada.
9. ESL students can learn English quickly in a mainly English-speaking college and community.
10. Explore the beautiful Canadian Rocky Mountains and enjoy activities like hiking, golfing, skiing/snowboarding and river rafting.



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