

2026 June 5-week Summer Language and Culture Program Information

Summer Language and Culture (SLC) offers upper-beginner to advanced learners an immersive English learning experience focused on communication and cultural connection.

With 20 hours of instruction per week, students build their English proficiency through an integrated skills approach that emphasizes speaking and listening in themes like culture and society, Canada and global issues (an English through themes curriculum). Classes are interactive, task-based, and supported by ongoing feedback to help learners gain confidence and fluency. Outside the classroom, a variety of afternoon workshops and socio-cultural activities led by Cultural Assistants provide opportunities to practice English in real-life settings while exploring Canadian culture.

Upon successful completion, students earn a Certificate of Completion and gain confidence in English communication and intercultural understanding.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Students must have a minimum upper beginner proficiency level of English to attend Summer Language and Culture. Students uncertain of their level should try the ELC Basic English Test before applying: <https://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/elc/how-to-apply/elc-basic-english-test>.

HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION

Students will be offered homestay accommodation, living with local families of diverse backgrounds, life experiences and world views in order to better experience Canadian culture and further improve their English proficiency. Homestay accommodation includes three (3) meals per day, as well as a private room with a bed, desk and other amenities. Host families will introduce each student to their new neighbourhood and assist with any questions or concerns that may arise during their stay. More information:

<https://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/info-for/agents/resources-for-agents-and-institutions/homestay-information>

DATES/SCHEDULE

- **June 5-week SLC Program dates:** May 19 – June 19, 2026
- **Homestay move in:** May 18 (program arrival)
- **Homestay move out:** June 20 (program departure)
- **Study hours:** 20 hours per week, 100 hours total
- **English classes:** 8:30am – 12:30pm Monday to Friday
- **Activities/Workshops:** Afternoons, Monday to Friday (There will be some optional weekend activities for students. Please refer to the attached activity calendar.)

PROGRAM FEES

The total fee for the 2026 5-week Summer Language and Culture program is **\$ 4,554 CAD** per student

- Tuition and activities: \$2,425
- Application fee: \$150 (non-refundable)
- Homestay application fee: \$300 (non-refundable)
- Homestay accommodation with meals: \$1,440
- Student Services fee: \$239 (includes [health insurance](#), local bus pass and CARSA gym access)

**There are optional activities students can purchase before the program starts such as Whale Watching, Vancouver Trip and etc. Optional activity fees are not included in the above program fees and vary by activity type. Please refer to the attached activity calendar.*

REGISTRATION

Group registration process: a group of five (5) students or more; the institution/agent will be invoiced.

Registration deadline: our preferred deadline for group registration is **March 15, 2026**. Please let us know if a different arrangement needs to be made.

Payment deadline: April 13, 2026

Refund Policy: <https://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/clc/how-to-apply/policies/refunds-and-transfers-of-fees>

**Please inform us if your final number of participants is fewer than five, or if each student will be making payment individually regardless of group size. In such cases, we will guide you through our individual registration process.*

MORE RESOURCES

- **ELC policies:** uvic.ca/clc/how-to-apply/policies
- **Homestay student guidelines:** <https://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/media/aqfp4351/clc-homestay-student-guidelines.pdf>
- **Guard.me insurance information:** <https://www.guard.me/uvcs>
- **ELC on-campus viewbook:** <https://online.pubhtml5.com/ggaa/dnfc/>
- **THIS is the ELC video:** <https://youtu.be/k6Z9mO999hk>

This was prepared in January 2026. We reserve the right to change fees, schedule and programs without notice.