

## Education and Life in Canada

1- Is Canada the largest country in the world?

❖ No

Canada is the second largest country in the world.

2- What are the schools that teach students from grade 9 to 12 known in Canada?

❖ High Schools or Secondary schools

3- How can you study at a Canadian high school as an international student?

❖ Apply for admission from a Canadian high school

❖ Receive a letter of acceptance (LOA) from a Canadian high school

❖ Apply for study permit

4- Who needs a study permit to study in Canada?

❖ Most foreign nationals need a study permit to study in Canada

5- What is a study permit?

❖ A study permit is a document the Canadian government issues that allows foreign nationals to study at designated learning institutions (DLIs) in Canada.

## 6- What do you need to apply for a study permit?

- ❖ To apply for a study permit, you need...
  - a letter of acceptance (LOA) from a designated learning
  - proof of identity
  - proof of financial support

You may also need

- a letter of explanation
- a Québec Acceptance Certificate (CAQ)
- a custodian declaration (minors only), or
- other documents

More information: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/study-permit/get-documents.html>

## 7- Are all the secondary schools in Canada designated learning institutions?

- ❖ Yes

## 8- What is a designated learning institution?

- ❖ A designated learning institution is a school approved by a provincial or territorial government to host international students.

## 9- How long ahead of time do you need to apply for a study permit at a secondary school?

- ❖ At least 6 months in advance

More information:

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## 10- What do you need to earn your Ontario Secondary School Diploma?

❖ To earn a high school diploma in Ontario, students must:

- earn 18 compulsory credits
- earn 12 optional credits
- pass the literacy requirement
- earn at least two online learning credits
- complete a minimum of 40 hours of community involvement activities

More information: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/high-school-graduation-requirements>

## 11- Can you use your home country's equivalent education to study at a Canadian high school?

❖ Yes

The courses you took in your home country will be evaluated then transferred as a Canadian high school credit.

## 12- What is the deadline for submitting an application?

❖ The deadlines are different at each school and for each school year.

At FH International High school, we have provided 4 intakes per school year. To find out the exact dates please click on the link below.

More information: <https://fhhighschool.ca/admissions-requirements-and-admissions-process/>

13- What does FH stand for?

- ❖ Future & Hope

14- Is it cheaper to study undergraduate programs in Canada or the US?

- ❖ Yes

It is cheaper to study in Canada than to study in the US.

For the undergraduate students, the tuition fees in Canada range from CAD 5,000 to CAD 20,000 per year. Whereas the tuition fees in the US for the undergraduate courses start from USD 23,000 per year.

15- What accommodation options do international students have in Canada?

- ❖ Student Residence
- ❖ Off-Campus Shared Apartment or Condominium
- ❖ Host Family/Homestay
- ❖ Furnished or Unfurnished Apartment Rentals

16- How much does a homestay monthly fee cost?

- ❖ It depends on different elements such as: location, house condition, private or shared bedroom, etc.

For detailed pricing and meal plans, you can contact us at [info@fhhighschool.ca](mailto:info@fhhighschool.ca)

17- Why should you choose Canada as your destination to study?

- ❖ Canada is the number one multicultural country and welcoming to any nationalities

18- Why could Canada be among the first options of your list to study, work or live in?

- ❖ As it performs well in many dimensions of well-being relative to other countries in the Better Life Index.
- ❖ Canada outperforms the average income, jobs, education, health, environmental quality, social connections, and life satisfaction.

More information: <https://www.oecdbetterlifeindex.org/countries/canada/>

19- What is a Post Graduate Work Permit?

- ❖ The Canadian post-graduation work permit allows post-secondary students who have graduated from a participating Canadian post-secondary institution to gain valuable Canadian work experience, the students also get work permit while studying in post-secondary institutions.

More information: <https://www.cic.gc.ca/english/helpcentre/answer.asp?qnum=507>

20- When does a regular Canadian school year start and finish?

- ❖ A regular school year in Canada is typically from September 1 to June 30.

21- What are the school holidays in Ontario, Canada?

- ❖ Labor Day
- ❖ Thanksgiving Day
- ❖ Christmas break
- ❖ Family Day
- ❖ Mid-winter break
- ❖ Good Friday
- ❖ Easter Monday
- ❖ Victoria Day

22- What is the best time for your kids to start studying in Canada?

- ❖ In fact, sending your child to Canada for secondary school is one of the best ways to prepare them for college or university and for their future career and life.

23- Can your kids apply for FH International High School after September?

- ❖ Yes - FH International High School provides 4 intakes during every school year.

24- Do all the high schools have 2 semesters during the school year?

- ❖ No - FH International High School is based on a quadmester educational system

25- What are the English Language tests that are accepted to study in Canadian universities and colleges?

- ❖ Canadian Academic English Language (CAEL) test
- ❖ International English Language Testing System (IELTS) – Academic
- ❖ Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
- ❖ Pearson Test of English (PTE) – Academic

26- How many credits do I need to earn to achieve a high school diploma in Ontario?

- ❖ 18 compulsory credits
- ❖ 12 optional credits
- ❖ Pass the literacy requirement
- ❖ At least two online learning credits
- ❖ Complete a minimum of 40 hours of community involvement activities

27- What are the compulsory credits?

- ❖ The 18 credits that students must earn to get their Ontario School Diploma:

- 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade)
- 3 credits in mathematics (at least 1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)
- 3 credits for group 1, 2 and 3 courses (1 credit in each group)
- 2 credits in science
- 1 credit in Canadian history (Grade 10)

- 1 credit in Canadian geography (Grade 9)
- 1 credit in the arts
- 1 credit in health and physical education
- 1 credit in French as a second language
- 0.5 credit in career studies
- 0.5 credit in civics and citizenship

## 28- How to choose courses in Canadian high school?

- ❖ At FH, Guidance Counselors support you to create a personal study plan, then choose the courses for you to study depending on your background and what you might want to pursue after high school.
- ❖ If you're not sure what your post-secondary future holds, keep the following tips in mind while choosing your courses:
  - a. Take courses that sound interesting to you.
  - b. Discuss with guidance counselors.
  - c. Try to keep your options for post-secondary open.
  - d. Learn a subject you have not spent much time in before. Who knows, you may love it!
  - e. Talk with others who have attended colleges or universities and decide which type of study would be of most interest to you.

## 29- Does FH International High School have any extracurricular activities?

- ❖ Yes - at FH International High School we provide unique extracurricular activities through clubs including:
  - Science
  - Entrepreneurship
  - Personal Development
  - Music



- Sport
- Art
- Social integration

More information:

<https://fhhighschool.ca/extracurriculum/>

### 30- How is the weather like in Toronto?

- ❖ Toronto has a semi-continental climate, with a warm comfortable summer and a cold winter.

### 31- What are the best ways to get around Toronto?

- ❖ The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) that runs three modes:
  - Subway
  - Bus
  - Streetcar

### 32- When you arrive in Canada, what should you bring?

When you arrive in Canada, you'll meet a border services officer who will make sure you meet some basic requirements. To enter Canada, you must

- have a valid travel document, such as a passport
- have the port of entry letter of introduction the visa office sent you when they approved your study permit
  - This letter has your permit reference number, which we use to issue your study permit.
- have a copy of a valid letter of acceptance from your school
- have letters of reference or any other documents the visa office told you to bring

- have a valid electronic travel authorization (eTA), a valid visitor visa (temporary resident visa), a valid green card (or equivalent official proof of U.S. status) or another valid travel document
  - If you have a valid eTA, it'll be linked to the passport you used to apply for your study permit.
- have enough money for your stay (the amount you will need can vary—it depends on things such as how long you will stay, and whether you will stay in a hotel, or with friends or relatives)
- **have valid immigration medical exam results (if you needed one)**

More information:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada/study-permit/prepare-arrival.html>