

Oxford International – Halifax School



Welcome to English for Parents Webinar

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At Oxford International, we believe in learning without limits





We have a 30+ years history of trusted language teaching expertise.



Our 8 English Schools are in 4 of the most diverse and exciting countries across the globe.



Our quality education programmes are available for young learners and adults.



We are known for our premium academic quality and exceed the educational standards set for independent schools with governing bodies in the UK, North America, and Australia.



We have empowered over 300, 000 students on their English language journeys.





The Oxford International Student Journey









The Worldwide Choice

for language learning





OUR SCHOOLS - CANADA

TORNTO | VANCOUVER | HALIFAX

TORONTO



HALIFAX



KEY FACTS

😪 Courses Available:

- General English
- Academic English
- Specialised Electives
- IELTS Preparation
- University Pathway Programme
- University College Pathway (Halifax)
- English for Parents (Halifax)
- Executive English (Vancouver)

Class Times:

- AM classes: 08:45
- PM classes: 12:45

- Additional:

- Minimum age: 16
- Maximum class size: 14

FACILITIES

Oxford International Canada schools offer:

- Computer access
- Social programme
- Social space
- Academic support



STUDENT NATIONALITIES



VANCOUVER

Saudi Arabia

5%

MENA

12%

Other

10%

Korea

6%

LATAM

14%

Mexico

11%



NEW school location!



Class times:

AM: 8:45am

PM: 12:45pm

Halifax Campus | 1801 Hollis St



A global city and an economic centre for Canada



A centre for artistic and cultural excellence



Assisting pathway students with their

university applications



Varied accommodation options, excellent healthcare, and low crime rates





30-39

40-49

21-29

30%

10%

16-20

Halifax School





Old Location: 1256 Barrington St New Location: 1801 Hollis St



1801 Hollis St Building is one of the tallest buildings in Halifax!

Downtown location

Located near Halifax Waterfront with many cultural events year-

round

Walking distance to famous attractions

Maritime Museum of the

Atlantic, Citadel National

Historic Site





The closest bus station: Water Street Terminal: Directly across the street from the new centre, this terminal serves as a hub for multiple Halifax Transit bus routes, which are very convenient for students (only 1-2 mins by walk).

Other transportation: Halifax Ferry Terminal: Just a 4-minute walk from 1801 Hollis Street, this terminal offers frequent ferry services to Dartmouth, providing a scenic and reliable cross-harbour commute for students and commuters alike.

Surroundings: Royal Bank of Canada, Queen's Marque, Nova Scotia Supreme Court, etc











Surroundings (New Campus)













Surroundings (New Campus)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES

General English



Our General English programme is specifically tailored for individuals who are seeking to improve their English skills while enjoying a flexible schedule.

BASIC 18/20

18 or 20 lessons of General English per week.

SEMI-INTENSIVE 23/26

General English + 3 or 6 lessons of electives per week (Canada & USA only).

INTENSIVE 27/30

General English + 7 or 10 lessons of electives per week.

SUPER INTENSIVE 36/40*

General English + 16 or 20 lessons of electives per week.

*Subject to availability

KEY FACTS





General English Lessons (Morning 20):

- 15 hours / week (UK, Canada, USA)
- 20 hours / week (AUS)

Class Details:

- UK & Canada: 45-minute lessons
- USA: 50-minute lessons
- AUS:
 - o AM: 5 hours/day x 4 days/week
 - o EVE: 4 hours/day x 5 days/week



Course Length;

- Minimum 1 week unlimited (UK, Canada, USA)
- Minimum 4 weeks 60 weeks (AUS)

NEW INTAKES EVERY MONDAY ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES

English Language Learning



Sample Week Schedule





English Language Learning

English Level Chart



Estimated time to pass level at:

Level	CEFR	Test Equivalences	20/18 lessons/week	30/27 lessons/week	40/36 lessons/week	Learning Stages	
10	C2 Mastery	Oxford ELLT 11–12 CAE – A IELTS 8.0 – 9.0	9-15	7-12 weeks	6-9 weeks	Proficient	
9	CI	Oxford ELLT 9 - 10 CAE - B IELTS 7.0 - 7.5	weeks				
8	Advanced	Oxford ELLT 8 - 9 CAE - C, FCE - A IELTS 6.5 - 7.0	8-13 weeks	6-12 weeks	5-10 weeks		
7	82	Oxford ELLT 6-7 FCE - 8 IELTS 6 - 6.5			3-8		
6	Upper - Intermediate	Oxford ELLT 5 - 6 FCE - C, PET - Distinction IELTS 5.5		weeks	Indep		
5		Oxford ELLT 3 - 4 PET - Merit IELTS 5,0	5-10 weeks	4-9 weeks			Independent
4	B1 Intermediate	Oxford ELLT 2 - 3 PET - Pass KET - Distinction IELTS 4,0			weeks		
3	A2 Pre- Intermediate	Oxford ELLT 0 - 1 KET - Merit IELTS 3.0 TOEIC 246-380	5-9	4-7		Basic	
2		KET - Pass	weeks	weeks			
1	A1 Elementary	Not Applicable					





Electives Available Across Our Schools

Our specialised electives are designed to focus on key skills to help further students' language development in specific subject areas.



Students may have the option to pick from additional electives depending on demand and availability. Examples of potential options include:

- Global Leadership
- English for Creative Writing
- English for International Law
- English for Journalism
- English for Projects & Cooperation
- English + Robotics
- English in a Local Context



English for Parents

English for Parents (EP) provides a solid foundational English course with a convenient schedule for busy families. EP helps parents learn the everyday English they need to thrive in Canadian society.

Each level takes 10-15 weeks to complete on average and includes 20 hours of class time per week. On Friday afternoons, students have the opportunity to engage in seminars that allow them to practice the new language and vocabulary they've learned that week.

Weekly start dates coincide with local public school schedules.

English for Parents Program Oxford International Halifax

Each level of the program focuses on increasing students' abilities in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. By integrating new vocabulary and grammatical structures, students will be able to communicate accurately and fluently in any environment in which English is necessary.

EP Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:35 - 10:15	AM Core Class/ New student Orien- tation	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class
10:15 - 10:30			Break		
10:30 - 11:15	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class
11:15 - 12:00	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class	AM Core Class
12:00 - 12:45			Lunch		
12:45 - 13:30	Elective A	Elective B	Elective A	Elective B	Elective D
13:30 - 14:15	Elective A	Elective B	Elective A	Elective B	Elective D
14:15 - 14:25			Break		
14:25 - 15-10					Elective D

SEMINAR TOPICS

- Banking
- Talking to your child's school
- How to book medical appointments (clinics or hospitals)
- Grocery shopping
- Hair appointments, restaurant vocabulary, obtaining driver's license
- Setting up a household: phone, cable, power, water, etc.
- Greeting and introduction and complete
 basic transaction
- Vacation plans discussions



Class time: 9:35-14:15 Monday – Friday (26 Semi-intensive)

Benefits of EP Program



Highlights



Eligible for free schooling for children aged 5-18 in Nova Scotia on the Parent's study permit



50% cheaper than sending children as international student



Perfect location for family: safety, by the ocean, infrastructure, affordability



Tailormade program for parents to communicate with schools



Flexible timetable allowing for school pick up/drop off



EP Program can be extended



Program can be connected to University Pathway (UCP400 & UCP500)



Highlights

To take kids to school for free, it's recommended to book a **long-term program, min 28 weeks**

If a parent books **40 weeks EP program, 10 weeks of vacation is added.** Total 50 weeks for SP.

SP application:

- Parent is a main applicant with PAL and LoA
- Kids don't need LoA and PAL (exception for secondary schools)
- Spouse can apply for TRV only

Information about the Schools



- Children must be five years old by December 31 in the year in which they
 register to start school in Nova Scotia. Children must begin school between the
 ages of 5 and 6.
- Pre-Primary is available in certain schools. To enter this program, your child must be four years old by December 31 in the year in which they register to start school and live within the catchment area of the school offering the program.
- School begins in early September and ends in late June, with breaks in December and March.
- Students will receive a high school diploma after successfully completing secondary school. (Grade 12)
- Children go to school from Monday to Friday during the school year (except on holidays (see table below) and professional development days (teacher training).
- Students are permitted to stay at school for their lunch break. They are expected to bring their own lunch and snacks.
- There is no school in the summer months (July and August), so families often take vacations and/or register and pay for summer camps for those months.



HOW TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD IN SCHOOL

You must register your child in a school in the district where you live. To find out which school your child can attend, you can visit the <u>HRCE</u> <u>website</u>. Under "about our schools' you will find a section called 'school finder".





From there you can select 'Home Address Lookup'.



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	> All Schools This lists all schools:
School Finder	> Home Address Lookup
Student Transportation	> Administrative Unit
Calendars	> Area
For Parents	> Family
For Students	Yiew ste information Yiew ste information Halifax Regional Centre for Education
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School Locator - A Baragar Systems Product

Search

We have created this page to help parentsiguardians find out which schools their childrein will attend based on the address where they are living. It is an excellent tool for use by parents, realitors and people potentially moving to a new area within the HRM. Please enter your street name only in the box pelow to find the schools that serve your address.

Note: This map is intended to assist with directions and is not an official measurement tool for school transportation eligibility.

If you have tried the search but cannot seem to get a result for the street you entered and know is valid, please contact infedeen onno ca

Search Hints

Perform a search by entering ONE of the following:

Street Name

Full street name OR Partial street name. (First letter of the street name is required).

If you are experiencing difficulties performing a search on a particular address, you may want to try entering the address without punctuation.

You may also want to try entering the street name without spaces.



Documents needed to enroll your child in school

- 1. Proof of child's age a birth certificate or passport
- 2. Proof of address an apartment lease, home purchase agreement, an electric or cable bill. (A driver's license will not be accepted)
- 3. Proof of student's immigration status one of the following: birth certificate, record of landing (IMM 1000), confirmation of permanent residence (IMM5292), permanent resident card or Canadian Passport Proof of health insurance (international student)
- 4. Immunization records Medical Card, Health Insurance and Immunization records
- 5. Translated records of previous education, past transcripts or report cards, if available
- A copy of the parent's/guardian's Work Permit or the parent's/guardian's Study Permit, including proof of relationship with the child, must be confirmed by the school
- 7. If the parent is divorced, a copy of the custodial papers must be provided

International

You must then visit your neighborhood school in person to register your child.







Elementary school (Grades Primary-6)

Junior High school (Grades 7-9)

High school (Grades 10-12)



Oxford International Halifax

Testimonial from students





- Testimonial

Oxford International Halifax is close to downtown elementary schools, making it easy to drop off and pick up children while balancing your studies and parenting. Also, the connection between teachers and students is close, and it is a significant advantage to learn in a friendly atmosphere where it is easy to ask questions, and you don't have to get nervous during class. Thanks to that, I can enjoy my Halifax life without giving up on improving my English.

Masumi - Japan

After EP program

EP Program can be extended

Option A:

- Student can request an extension for another year or more weeks
 - Every 5 weeks = 1 week of holiday

Option B:

- Continuation to UCP400, and apply for University Pathway program





University College Pathway (UCP)

Oxford International Halifax

- UCP = 10 weeks only and requires to have specific level of English
- Specific dates for UCP 400 & 500
- UCP 500 Plus (5 weeks: only once a year in the summer)
- **UCP 400** required for college program
- UCP 500 required for UG program
- PGP required for PG program
- Highest success rates for graduates who continue to college and university
- All of our partners provide **conditional** letters of acceptance.
- If student needs to send confirmation of enrolment to college/university to get CLoA, he/she must pay in full for UCP

Level	Entering	Finishing	CEFR
Starter			A1
Elementary			A2
Lower Intermediate (200)	ielts 4.5	IELTS 5.0	В1
Intermediate (300)	IELTS 5.0	IELTS 5.5	B1+
Upper Intermediate (400)	ielts 5.5	IELTS 6.0	В2
Advanced (500)	IELTS 6.0	IELTS 6.5	B2+
PGP	IELTS 6.5	IELTS 7.0	Cl

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45-9:30	AM Core Class				
930-10:15	AM Core Class				
		Bre	eak		
10:30-11:15	AM Core Class				
11:15-12:00	AM Core Class				
		Lui	nch		
12:45-13:30	Elective A UCP300/400/500	Elective B UCP300/400/500	Elective A UCP300/400/500	Elective B UCP300/400/500	Elective D UCP300/400/500
13:30-14:15	Elective A UCP300/400/500	Elective B UCP300/400/500	Elective A UCP300/400/500	Elective B UCP300/400/500	Elective D UCP300/400/500
Break					
14:25-15:10	Elective C UCP300/400/500	UCP300/400/500	Elective C UCP300/400/500	UCP300/400/500	Elective D UCP300/400/500
15:10-16:10	Social Activity	Conversation Club	Social Activity	Study Club	Social Activity



Halifax UCP Program Partners

SACADIA	Acadia University	NBCC COLLEGEWORKS	New Brunswick Community College
EISHOP'S	Bishop's University	nsicece	Nova Scotia College of Early Childhood Education
	Brock University	nscc	Nova Scotia Community College
UNIVERSITY	Dalhousie University	N.S.C.A.D.	NSCAD University
College	Eastern College	SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY Server 1800 One University: One World Yours.	Saint Mary's University
<i>∎</i> Georgian	Georgian College	ST. FRANCIS XAVIER	St. Francis Xavier University
HOLLAND COLLEGE	Holland College	St. Lawrence College	St. Lawrence College
San Takehead	Lakehead University	UNIVERSITY ISLAND	University of Prince Edward Island
MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY	Memorial University	NIVERSITY OF REGINA	University of Regina
Mount	Mount Allison University	Students attending the UCF	at not all Pathway partners are available in all cities. 2 courses in Halifax have unique opportunities availo ct us to make sure your course qualifies you for your

university.

Weather in Halifax

Nestled on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, Nova Scotia's capital city is steeped in history and surrounded by natural beauty.

Halifax is a city with four very different seasons: winter, spring, summer, and fall.

The city is located on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean and, therefore, offers temperate weather. The snow usually begins in late December. January and February are the coldest months

Summers: 20 to 30 degrees Celsius. Winter: 0 to -10 degrees Spring: 15 to 20 degrees



Warmer than you think! Halifax is warmer in the winter on average than Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan













Halifax Transit is the name of our public transportation system. This includes buses and ferries that cross our harbor. You can pay in cash, purchase a monthly pass or buy tickets.

There is also a convenient free Transit App available for Apple and Android phones that you can download from the App Store.



Health Care and Insurance

All students must have health insurance to attend classes or social activities. If students have not already purchased health insurance before coming to Canada, they will be required to do so on their first day. If students have purchased health insurance in their own country, proof of insurance in English must be shown on their first day. A copy of their health plans will be made and kept in their files.

Guard Me

To claim a refund, students should keep all medical bills after seeing a doctor. Our students' children can also be covered with Guard Me.

Hospital versus Walk-in Clinic

Hospitals are for emergencies. It costs about \$900.00 per visit. Lab tests, x-rays, diagnostic tests and doctor's consults are an additional cost. Waiting periods can be up to 10 hours. Walk-in Clinics are for regular medical situations. It costs about \$50.00.Waiting periods can be up to 4 hours. You will find qualified, licensed doctors.

Cost of Living in Halifax



Living Costs	CAD Per Month Average	CAD Per Year Average
Bus Pass	\$90	\$1,080
Sim Card (Basic)	\$10	\$120
Groceries	\$400	\$4,800
Accommodation	\$900 - \$2,150	\$18,300
Utilities (electricity, heating, water, internet)	\$350	\$4,200

Average Total to Study in Canada: \$49,000

*12-month average living costs and program fees. Program fees do not include available scholarships.



Accommodation

Homestay – stay with a local hosting family managed by OICC



- Full-board: \$350/week (extra night: \$63/night)
- Half-board: \$336/week (extra night: \$63/night)
- Roomstay: \$329/week (extra night: \$63/night)

Residence: 4Stay Dutch Village Road

- Fully-furnished co-living apartments with single or double (shared) rooms.
- Single room: \$2,100/month
- **Options in Halifax** Double room (shared): \$1,950/month



Additional accommodation options to consider:

- Furnished apartment (Airbnb or Kijiji).
- Rental companies (Killam Apartment REIT, MetCap Living, Southwest Properties, Westwood Developments, Universal Realty Group, Northpoint Properties, Templeton Properties).
- Serviced apartments (Premier Suites Halifax).
- Hotels (best for short-term while sourcing out long-term solution).

ACCOMODATIONS - HOMESTAY





A Canadian family can be... - A married or common-law couple, with or without children - A couple may be of the opposite or same gender - A couple can also be of different ethnic backgrounds - Children may be by birth, marriage, or adoption - A single parent of one or more children

-A single male or single female


House Rules use kind words GIVE BIG HUGS LAUGH WORK OFTEN HARD dont lotags messes today forgive quickly PRACTICE PATIENCE use your mannets BE GRATEFU SAY BE KIND YOU DO THE CON RIGHT HING say please and thank you KEEP YOUR FROM SES AND LOVE ONE ANOTHER







Stay Brunswick Residence

Luxury living in beautiful co-living apartments

1881 Brunswick Street, Halifax NS

Located in Halifax's West End, 4Stay Dutch Village Road offers luxury living in beautifully-designed co-living apartments with spacious walk-in closets, stunning city views, and easy access to some of the best shopping and parks nearby!

Key Amenities

- Private or shared rooms
- Shared kitchen (fully equipped) & living area
- In-suite laundry
- Ensuite bathroom
- Air conditioning
- Fitness room
- Balcony & rooftop terrace
- Utilities included



1881 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS Canada B3J 3L8

Check-In: 4:00pm - 10:00pm Check-Out: 12:00pm on the final day

Check-in and check-out times may be accommodated upon request.

4STAY BRUNSWICK RESIDENCE

The **4Stay Brunswick Residence** is located in Downtown Halifax and is a 10-minute walk to Oxford International Halifax English School/ OICC Halifax Campus. It's designed as a co-living apartment, fully furnished singe or double (shared) rooms.

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**A \$250 placement fee applies.

Oxford International

**Students must provide 1 month rent as a deposit. **Minimum booking is 2 months. **Fees valid until 31st



Stay Brunswick Residence

Luxury living in beautiful co-living apartments

6-month package promotion

Private Room

- Standard price: \$2100 CAD/monthly
- 6 month price: \$1950 CAD/monthly

Double (Shared) Room

- Standard price: \$1500 CAD/monthly
- 6 month price: \$1200 CAD/monthly



Halifax School team





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Canadian Culture





Emergency Information



Consideration and Household Routines X For trusted, everyday 👖 Inform us of your **Emergency & Illness** (\bullet) health information and health status. In an emergency call 9-1-1 Respect Your host family will advice, call 811 discuss household routines for Police. Fire & Follow house rules: no Meals Paramedics. Hospitals are with you, for example, smoking, obev curfews. 811 can help you with using the laundry machine. You may experience a for emergencies. etc. advice on everything variety of food because from bee stings, frost Canadians have many bite, to coughs, and flu. Our Hotline: 647-227-1209 Keep your room clean and different cultural tidy and call your host backgrounds. If there are 23 811 provides services in Alcohol and Smoking family if you plan to miss certain foods you If you don't feel well, stay over 125 different dinner. dislike/like, let your host The legal age to consume home and rest. Do not languages including family know. They are alcohol/marijuana is come to school. We can Farsi, Cantonese, usually very easygoing and minimum 19 years old. In offer you guidance to visit a If you break something, it French, Chinese, and are happy to addition, it is strictly medical clinic if needed. is your responsibility to Arabic, to name a few. forbidden at school. accommodate.

Method of Resolution for Problems

replace or pay for it.

We encourage you to speak to your host family if you have any problems. It is important to work things out together in order to maintain a good relationship. If the problem is serious or cannot be resolved, speak with the Homestay Coordinator.

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Notebooks, pens, pencils and other stationery goods.

Candy, souvenirs and knick knacks.

Places To Know





Medicine, First-Aid and personal hygiene needs.

Food items, magazines and cosmetics.



Ready-made meals, fresh fruit, groceries, snacks

Convenient location, next to the school





Visit these financial institutions to handle your monetary needs.

Places To Know



Call and data plans vary from provider to provider.

These mobile phone providers are the most popular with Canadians.

Social Programme

FUN ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS FOR EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK!

WEEKLY PROGRAMME

Each of our 8 language schools offer fun activities to help students explore the vibrant host cities, strengthen friendships, and practice their English.

WEEKEND EXCURSIONS

Weekends are for fun, and we offer the best opportunities for students to explore the biggest tourist attractions and nearby cities (or countries!) to make the most of their time with us.





CONVERSATION

CLUB











Grant







Art Gallery of Nova Scotia



Halifax Central Library

LOCATIONS OF SCHOOLS

UK

Brighton

10 Brunswick Place Brighton, East Sussex, BN3 1NA.

London Greenwich

259 Greenwich High Road, London, SE10 8NB

Oxford

36-37 Pembroke Street, Oxford, OX1 1BP

AUSTRALIA

Melbourne

Levels 1-4/131 Queen Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000,

CANADA

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Vancouver

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ENGLISH SCHOOLS



Thank You!