



Global Village

ENGLISH

CALGARY | VICTORIA | Adult Brochure

2025





WE WELCOME **YOU** TO A
BOUTIQUE EXPERIENCE.

Established in 1997, thousands of students have studied at GV to improve their English communication skills and to make friends from all over the world.

The cities of Calgary and Victoria have been rated at the top, globally, for quality of life and safety. Our two schools' smaller sizes allow students to have a more personalized and immersive experience.

Come and see for yourself!





Accredited academic courses, safe accommodations, and exciting activities... all while experiencing Canada.

At GV, our philosophy is to provide all our students with quality Academics, Activities, and Accommodations through personalized care and support from our teachers and staff. Our trained, professional, and experienced staff are happy to guide you towards your learning goals!

Our Accreditations



"I just love it here!"

Mon, Mexico

"Great curriculum, great atmosphere, great staff members - it's so amazing."

Lee, South Korea

"I like GV - A lot of funny teachers and great classmates!"

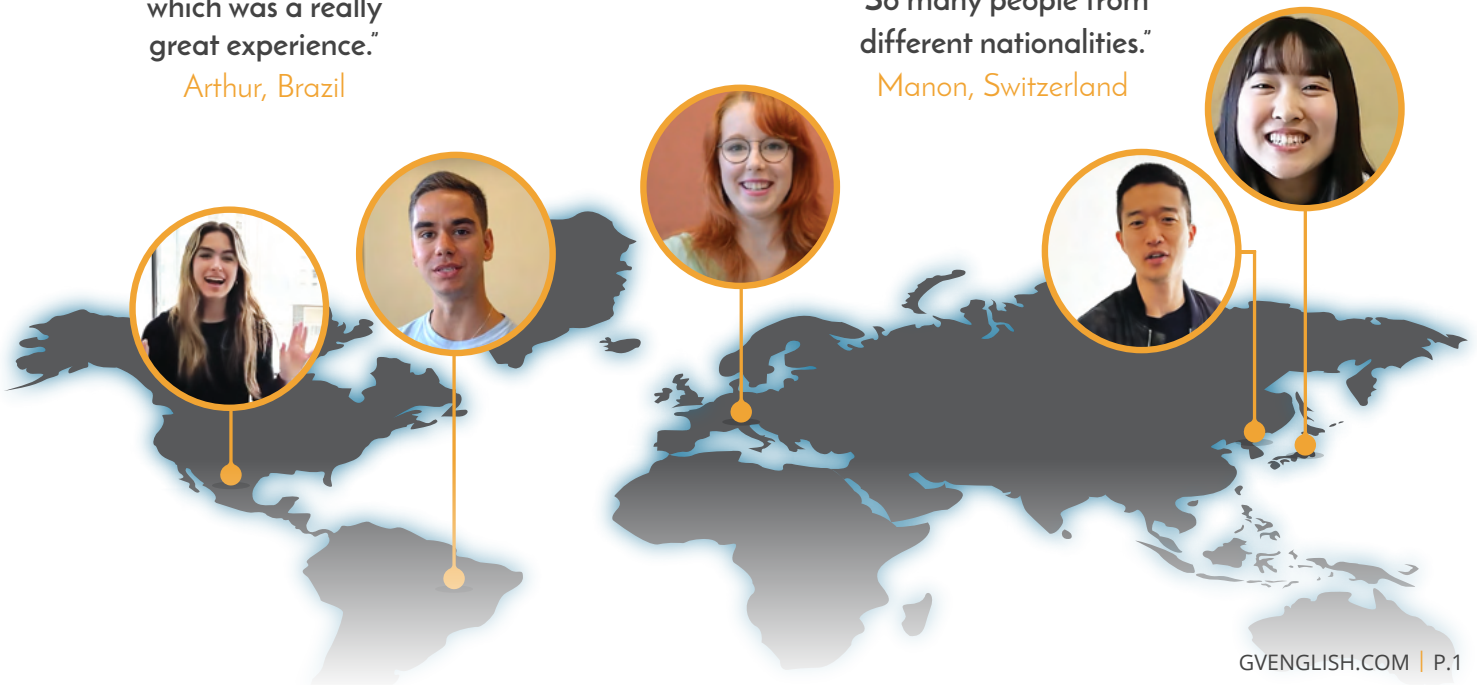
Naho, Japan

"I studied GV for 7 months which was a really great experience."

Arthur, Brazil

"So many people from different nationalities."

Manon, Switzerland



25th
Anniversary!

VICTORIA

Vancouver Island, British Columbia

Study, work, and play,
while experiencing
Canada's natural beauty.

Welcome to Victoria, the charming capital of British Columbia and the perfect place to enhance your English language skills! Nestled on Vancouver Island, Victoria is a city that blends historic charm with modern amenities, offering an idyllic setting for students from around the world.

Discover the perfect balance of academic excellence and West Coast lifestyle in Victoria!



Local Kayaking



Mount Doug Hike



Whale Watching



What makes Victoria an excellent study destination?



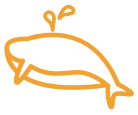
900+

Restaurants, cafés, pubs, and more



100+

Hiking trails in and around the city



70 Kilometres

of ocean shoreline and beaches

Top Tourist Attractions:

- > Whale Watching
- > Butchart Gardens
- > Parliament Building

Top Local Activities:

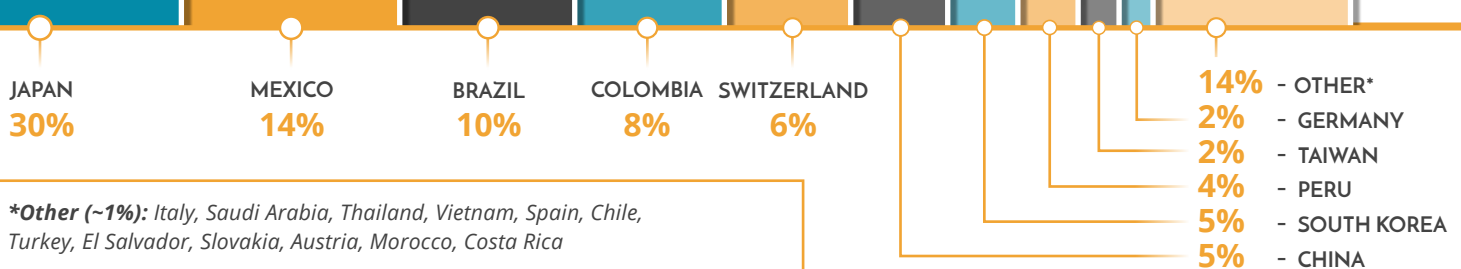
- > Thetis Lake Regional Park
- > Moss Street Market
- > Capital Ballroom - Music Venue

Visit our web site for detailed monthly activity calendars.

Sample Costs:

- Transit Ticket **\$3**
- Movie Ticket **\$12**
- Average Meal **\$20**

Nationality Mix:



*Other (~1%): Italy, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Vietnam, Spain, Chile, Turkey, El Salvador, Slovakia, Austria, Morocco, Costa Rica

Victoria has been voted:



- #1 - Best City in the World
- #1 - Best Small City in the World
- #1 - Friendliest City in the World (U.S. Voters) (2023, Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards)
- #2 Sustainable Destination in North America (2023, Global Destination Sustainability Index)

GV Victoria Details:



13 Spacious Classrooms

+ Lounge with games, kitchen areas, and more
Average class size is **13 students, 16 maximum**



24 Years Old - Student Average

Year-round, students range from 16-60+



45 Minutes from Homestay to School

GV Victoria is centrally located in downtown



5-minute walk:

Inner Harbour
Empress Hotel

10-minute walk:

BC Parliament Building



CALGARY

Near famous Banff, Alberta

Learn, grow, and explore where city life and mountain adventures come together

Welcome to Calgary, the vibrant heart of Alberta and an ideal destination to elevate your English language skills! Nestled at the foothills of the majestic Rocky Mountains, Calgary offers a dynamic blend of urban sophistication and outdoor adventure, making it a perfect home for students from around the globe.

Experience the majesty of the Rocky Mountains with the energy of a thriving, world-class city - Calgary!

B.C. ALBERTA

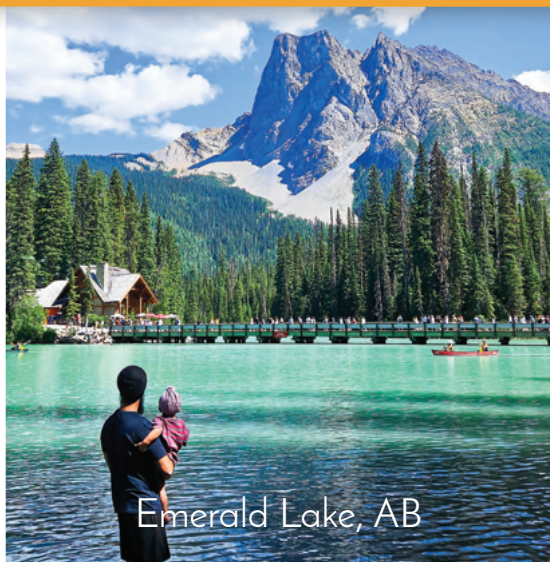
Jasper

Lake Louise

Banff CALGARY



Calgary Stampede



Emerald Lake, AB



Grizzly Bear Wildlife



What makes Calgary an excellent study destination?



5000+

Restaurants, cafés, pubs, and more



325+ Sunny Days Yearly

with clear blue skies



85 Minutes to Banff

and the world famous Rocky Mountains

Calgary has been voted:

#1 - Friendliest City in the World
(2023, Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards)

#1 - Canada's Best Employers
(2020, Forbes)

#5 - Most liveable City
(2024, The Economist)



Top Tourist Attractions:

- > Banff National Park
- > Calgary Stampede
- > Calgary Zoo

Top Local Activities:

- > Calgary Flames Hockey Games
- > Hike/Bike Nosehill Park
- > Concerts and Dining on Stephen Ave. or 17th Ave.

Visit our web site for detailed monthly activity calendars

Sample Costs:

- Transit Ticket **\$4**
- Movie Ticket **\$15**
- Average Meal **\$17**

GV Calgary Details:



13 Classrooms

+ Lounges with games, kitchen areas, and more
Average class size is **13 students, 16 maximum**



28 Years Old - Student Average

Year-round, students range from 16-60+



45 Minutes from Homestay to School

GV Calgary is centrally located in downtown



10-minute walk:

Bow River

15-minute walk:

Glenbow Museum
Calgary Tower

Nationality Mix:

BRAZIL
17%

SOUTH KOREA
14%

COLOMBIA
13%

JAPAN
12%

MEXICO
10%

- 15%** - OTHER*
- 2%** - CHILE
- 3%** - UKRAINE
- 4%** - VIETNAM
- 4%** - CHINA
- 6%** - TAIWAN

*Other (~1%): Argentina, Spain, Saudi Arabia, Cameroon, Italy, Austria, France, Armenia, Thailand, Turkey, Bolivia

ENGLISH STUDY AT GV



Whether you're a young adult or a mature learner, our comprehensive courses will help you build your English language skills and aid you in your personal journey to success. If you wish to expand your proficiency in **English for academic, social, career, or travel purposes...**

We're here to help you reach those goals!



GLOBAL VILLAGE SCHOOLS ARE:



Highly secure and safe,
to ensure student safety
and offer peace of mind



Staffed by expert
English instructors who
care about their students



Centrally located to
encourage tourism and
easy travel to class



Government approved
Designated Learning
Institutions (DLI)

COURSES AND PROGRAMS

At Global Village, a world of possibilities opens up to *you!*

GENERAL ENGLISH (GEP) ————— Levels GV1-8 (Beginner to Mastery)

- > Our most popular program that focuses on communicative fluency and functional language across various topics and areas.
- > Available at 20, 25, or 30 lessons per week and offered at eight levels: Beginner to Mastery.
- > Can be taken for 1 to 52+ weeks!
- > **Weekly start dates.**

ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) ————— Placement Test Required

- > This course helps you achieve your academic goals by assisting you in transitioning to college or university.
- > Available at 30 lessons per week. Placement test required to determine length of study required for Pathways exit.
- > Combines 20 lessons of GEP prep in the morning with 10 lessons of academic pathway electives in the afternoon.
- > **Weekly start dates.**

IELTS PREPARATION ————— Entry Level: CEFR B2- C2 (GV5-8)

- > In this course, our IELTS specialists use a vast set of resources to help you achieve your desired IELTS results!
- > Available at 10 or 30 lessons per week.
- > IELTS 30 Prep combines 20 lessons of GEP prep in the morning with 10 lessons of IELTS electives in the afternoon.
- > **Start Dates:** February 4th (Ends April 24th), and September 9th (Ends November 27th) - Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

BUSINESS ENGLISH ————— Entry Level: CEFR B1 (GV5-7)

*University of Victoria DBA Entry Level: GV 6-7

- > The Global Village BEP is an intensive (but fun!) Pathway with a focus on English proficiency for global business transactions.
- > Business English combines 20 lessons of GEP in the morning, with 5 or 10 lessons of Business English electives.
- > Available at 25 or 30 lessons/week. University of Victoria DBA Pathway students MUST take 30 lessons.
- > **Weekly start dates.**

GAP SEMESTER / GAP YEAR ————— Entry Level: Dependent on program choice

- > Discover what you love and who you are by focusing on your self-development!
- > GAP participants may take any Global Village course for which they meet the entry level requirements.
- > Available at 20, 25, or 30 lessons per week.
- > **Weekly start dates.**

ONLINE PATHWAY

Online Pathways is perfect for students who are not able to immediately come to Victoria or Calgary for an in-person GV English course.

OPTIONAL CONCLUSION OF COURSE:

4-week in-person Academic English Capstone Experience in your choice of Calgary or Victoria – at the same weekly price that you paid for online lessons, for an outstanding value.

*See **GV Level Guide** on class schedule page for more detailed info.



ELECTIVE OPTIONS

Personalize your English journey!

GV offers a wide variety of elective options to supplement your learning and align with your English language study goals.

ELECTIVES		GV1	GV2	GV3	GV4	GV5	GV6	GV7	GV8
Foundational Skills	Beginner Grammar & More	●	●	●					
	Everyday Vocabulary & Speaking	●	●	●	●				
	Everyday Listening & Speaking	●	●	●	●				
	Everyday Writing & Speaking	●	●	●	●				
	Conversation & Vocabulary	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
High School Preparation	Canadian Culture & Society				●	●	●		
	Global Issues				●	●	●		
	English for Social Media and Digital Literacy				●	●	●		
Cultural	Slang & Vocabulary				●	●	●	●	●
	English through Pop Music				●	●	●	●	●
	Power Speaking				●	●	●		
	English for E-Sports and Gaming				●	●	●	●	●
Business	English through Life Skills					●	●	●	●
	Workplace Communication					●	●	●	●
	Presentations for the Corporate World					●	●	●	●
	English for Customer Relations					●	●	●	●
Academic & Pathways	EAP: Vocabulary & Grammar Essentials			●	●	●	●	●	●
	EAP: Gateway to Academic Writing			●	●	●			
	EAP: Reading & Discussion			●	●	●			
	EAP: Speaking Strategies for Success			●	●	●			
	EAP: Reading & Writing					●	●	●	●
	EAP: Listening & Speaking					●	●	●	●
	EAP: Conversation & Vocabulary on Global Issues					●	●	●	●

NOTE: Sample electives, please inquire for other alternative availabilities.

CLASS SCHEDULES

DAILY SCHEDULE - (1 lesson = 50 minutes)

DAY	SESSIONS	TIME	SUPER INTENSIVE	INTENSIVE	STANDARD
MONDAY TO FRIDAY	Morning Session 1	08:45 – 10:25	30 lessons per week	25 lessons per week	20 lessons per week <i>16 Hrs 40 min per week</i>
	Break	10:25 – 10:40			
	Morning Session 2	10:40 – 12:20			
	Lunch	12:20 – 13:05			
MONDAY TO THURSDAY	Elective 1 (5 lessons)	13:05 – 14:10	25 Hrs 20 min per week	21 Hrs per week	
	Break	14:10 – 14:25			
	Elective 2 (5 lessons)	14:25 – 15:30			

ELECTIVES ONLY OPTIONS

Enjoy the flexibility of taking the “elective only” portion of our popular full-time classes on a part-time basis.

Available courses:

General English
English for Academic Purposes
Business English
IELTS



Courses are added periodically. To see our current schedule and a detailed list, please visit: gvenglish.com

GV LEVEL GUIDE

GV Levels	CEFR*	CAMBRIDGE	IELTS	TOEIC	TOEFL (iBT)	
GV8	Mastery	C2	C2 Proficiency (CPE)	7	900-990	110-120
GV7	Advanced	C1	C1 Advanced (CAE)	6.5	800-899	98-109
GV6	Upper Intermediate	B2+	B2 First (FCE)	6	700-799	87-97
GV5	Intermediate	B2	B2 First (FCE)	5.5	600-699	57-86
GV4	Lower Intermediate	B1+		5	500-599	
GV3	Pre-Intermediate	B1	B1 Preliminary (PET)	4	400-499	
GV2	Upper Beginner	A2	A2 Key (KET)	3	250-399	
GV1	Beginner	A1		1-2	100-249	

Note: This chart is meant to be used only as an approximate guide. Entry level and study period will vary from student to student. Global Village reserves the right to place a student in a level based on completion of a comprehensive oral and written test conducted prior to arrival or on intake day.
* Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

GENERAL ENGLISH PROGRAM (GEP)



The General English Program (GEP) is the “Launchpad” program at Global Village.

With classes for Beginner to Advanced students, we'll have the fit for your current proficiency and future goals. Face-to-face real-time contact in small classes and a wide nationality mix of interesting, motivated students and professionals, ensure full immersion in the language with plenty of engaging dialogue, practice, and correction by qualified and experienced instructors.

- Weekly intake
- Eight levels from Beginner to Mastery
- Average 8-12 weeks per level
- Emphasis placed on conversation and spoken language
- Improves students' ability to speak English in practical situations
- Integrates all skill areas (speaking, listening, reading and writing)
- Core program focuses on communicative grammar and functional dialogue
- Elective classes further develop accuracy, vocabulary, and fluency
- Regular proficiency testing and personal feedback meetings to measure student progress

BUSINESS ENGLISH

In the world of international business, **English skills have become the key to global communication.**

This program is designed for students aspiring to a career in international business, or for business people advancing an existing career.

Sample Topics:

- Effective written and spoken business communication skills
- Business presentation skills
- Vocabulary for business functions
- International business culture
- Marketing, sales, and branding
- Leveraging social media
- Negotiations
- Telephone and client interaction
- Business ethics and corporate responsibility
- Money and finance
- And more...

University of Victoria & Royal Roads Business Pathways

A pathway to **University of Victoria's Diploma in Business Administration (DBA)** or **Royal Roads University's Professional Certificate in Global Workforce Skills (GWS)** is available to students who successfully achieve all requirements of Global Village's Business English Program as follows:

- 12 weeks x 30 lessons/week
- Achieve a grade of 80% or higher in core and elective classes
- Receive a Letter of Successful Completion

CONTINUING
STUDIES@UVIC

Royal Roads
UNIVERSITY



I really appreciate the time I spent at GV.

It was very meaningful to me and it helped me improve not only my English, but also communication and presentation skills. I often remember the moments when I was attending EAP classes at Global Village, and they remind me of the English expressions or vocabulary words that I learned then, having fun with my classmates and teachers.

Kenny, Japan

IELTS & CELPIP TEST PREPARATION

Achieving an optimal test score is required for accreditation in Canada.
Our instructors have the skills and knowledge to prepare you for success.

Test preparation has helped many of our students move on to study at Universities throughout Canada and abroad, or immigrate to the country of their choice.

IELTS™

Official Test Centre

IELTS

(International English Language Testing System)

The Global Village IELTS PREPARATION CLASSES focus on both the IELTS Academic Test (AC) and General Test (G). Learn important test-taking strategies for each section of the IELTS test: reading, listening, writing, and speaking.

Full time test preparation classes at Global Village
(Victoria only, GEP20 + IELTS10)

Part-time evening test prep: Tuesday & Thursday
(Calgary only, see website for schedule)

Private and Semi-private IELTS test prep lessons

CELPIP

(Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program)

CELPIP is an exam which measures listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills for immigration, citizenship, or professional designation in Canada. The CELPIP Preparation evening class will give you practice in all four skill areas while improving your knowledge of Canadian customs and culture.

Private and Semi-private CELPIP exam prep lessons


CELPIP®
OFFICIAL TEST CENTRE

UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE PATHWAYS



University & College Pathways is designed to prepare GV students to succeed at a Canadian college or university.

This course focuses on strengthening general language skills, especially in advanced level communication skills and academic reading and writing skills. The course also covers essay writing, research papers, study skills, note-taking, presentations and research.

As part of the course, regular meetings with the Pathway Advisor are scheduled.

These meetings will not only review academic progress on the pathway, but can also cover the application process and communication with the college/university to ensure a successful transfer.

Course Structure:

30

lessons per week of **English for Academic Purposes (EAP)**

=

20

lessons per week of **General English studies**

+

10

lessons per week of **Academic Electives**

Electives:

- > Vocabulary & Grammar Essentials
- > Gateway to Academic Writing
- > Reading & Discussion
- > Speaking Strategies for Success
- > Reading & Writing
- > Listening & Speaking
- > Conversation & Vocabulary on Global Issues
- > Canadian Culture & Society
- > English for Social Media & Digital Literacy

UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE PARTNERS

University & college institutions accept Global Village transcripts and Letters of Completion as proof of English proficiency.

GV focuses exclusively on local University and College partners in Victoria, Calgary, and the surrounding areas. This allows our students to visit our university and college partners while they study with us and prepare more effectively for their post-GV college or university studies. All of our partners accept successful completion of GV level 6 or 7 instead of an IELTS or TOEFL score.



"... As a pathway student here at Global Village, I felt a strong connection with my teachers who cared deeply about my progress."

-Diana, Peru



How do you get started on **your** university or college journey?

Pre-Arrival



Carefully consider your personal interests and educational goals.



Test your English level online or via GV Zoom assessment.



Organize your Study Plan with a GV Advisor or study abroad agent.



Apply to the Global Village Pathway Program!

Post-Arrival



Study hard to complete the GV EAP Course!



Take advantage of Academic Counselling



Get help with university/college document deadlines, transfer credits, etc.



Let us help you connect with your college or university

GV Victoria in British Columbia is able to offer transfer credits. Ask us for more info.

50+ PACKAGE FOR MATURE LEARNERS



WE INVITE *You...*

to enjoy our unforgettable language and cultural immersion experience!

The fifty plus (50+) package runs during the summer season (2 weeks in July & August). Global Village's English 50+ package combines high quality English lessons (20 lessons/week, mixed with adult students of all ages) with a variety of excursions and social events for mature students. Activities happen after classes and on some weekends.

Please note:

Some excursions, such as Butchart Gardens, require 2+ hour walks. Please inquire for more details. Please view our website for the most up-to-date activity calendars.

Fifty plus activity add-on includes:

- > English lessons, meals, and homestay.
- > 2-3 leisure/socio-cultural activities per week
- > Transportation to and from activities
- > Tax and tips for drivers and guides



Butchart Gardens



Calgary Tower and Walking Tour



High Tea at The Empress Hotel



Whale Watching



Heritage Park



Sample Calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Day Off/ Free Day	Morning English	Morning English	Morning English	Morning English	Morning English	Calgary: Banff Trip Victoria: Butchart Gardens
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
	Free Time	Calgary: Calgary Tower Tour Victoria: High Tea at the Empress	Free Time or Pay-as-you-go Activity	Calgary: Heritage Park Victoria: Beacon Hill Park Tour	Free Time or Excursions (Ex. Whale Watching)	

ACCOMMODATION



Homestay away from Home!

You may choose to live with a GV homestay family for the first few weeks or for the entire length of your studies. Either way, GV homestay families are committed to ensuring you have a welcoming and warm experience. A homestay is an excellent way to learn about the local culture, practice the English you learn in class, and find a home away from home.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS:

- Adult Homestay (Full Board)
- Underage Homestay (Full Board)
- Premium Homestay (Full Board)
- Roomstay (Self-Catering)
- Hostel
- Student Residence and Apartments
(Based on availability)

HOMESTAY MEAL CHOICES:

SELF CATERING:

Provide your own breakfast, buy lunches, and eat out for dinner *(no meals provided)*

HALF BOARD:

Breakfast and dinner Monday to Friday. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday and Sunday.

FULL BOARD:

Breakfast and bag lunch provided, and dinner served with the family *(three meals provided)*



Distance to school:
40-60 Minutes



Nutritious meals



**Private room
with a desk**



**Our families are a
reflection of Canada
- Multicultural!**

Visit the Accommodation section of our website
to learn more about life with GV homestay families!

Success in Canada

starts at

Global Village

ENGLISH



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current English level?



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