

LSI Toronto 2015

CITY DETAILS

Toronto is Canada's largest city and its major business and cultural centre. It is a safe, dynamic city, with a great public transportation system. No matter what your interests are, Toronto has something for everyone in every season! If you enjoy outdoor sports, you can go canoeing and sailing on Lake Ontario in the summer or skiing and skating in the winter. You can visit Toronto's world class museums and art galleries or attend music concerts, theatre, and festivals all year round. All of our students enjoy a trip to the CN Tower or the world famous tourist destination, Niagara Falls.



SCHOOL DETAILS

What is the building/area like?

School	LSI Toronto
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LSI on Facebook	http://www.facebook.com/pages/LSI-Toronto-Language-Studies-International/308004932572984

The school is located on the 2nd and 3rd floors of a unique modern building with a central open air courtyard in one of the best residential areas of Toronto. The school is with 5 minutes walk of many restaurants, shops, parks, a post office, and a bank. In 15-20 minutes by subway, students can visit the CN Tower, Harbourfront, art galleries, museums, or the ferry docks, where they can catch a boat to the Toronto Islands.

LSI Toronto is centrally located, 1 block from the Rosedale subway station, providing convenient access to all that Toronto and the surrounding area have to offer.

LSI TORONTO FACILITIES

What facilities are available to students?

LSI Toronto has a student computer lounge with use of school computers and free WiFi, lunchroom with fridge and microwave, library, free student telephone at school for local calls, an exciting student activity programme, and student counselling on their programmes.

How many classrooms are there?

The school has 17 bright comfortable classrooms.

Do you have a cafeteria?

We do not have a cafeteria, but we have a lunch room with fridge and microwave. There are also many restaurants and cafes very close to the school.



OUR TEACHERS

How many teachers do you have?

We have 6-16 teachers as well as some relief teachers.

What are your teacher qualifications?

Our teachers are all experienced native English speakers who hold a university degree and a Languages Canada accredited English teaching certificate. Many of them have had experience teaching overseas.

OUR STUDENTS

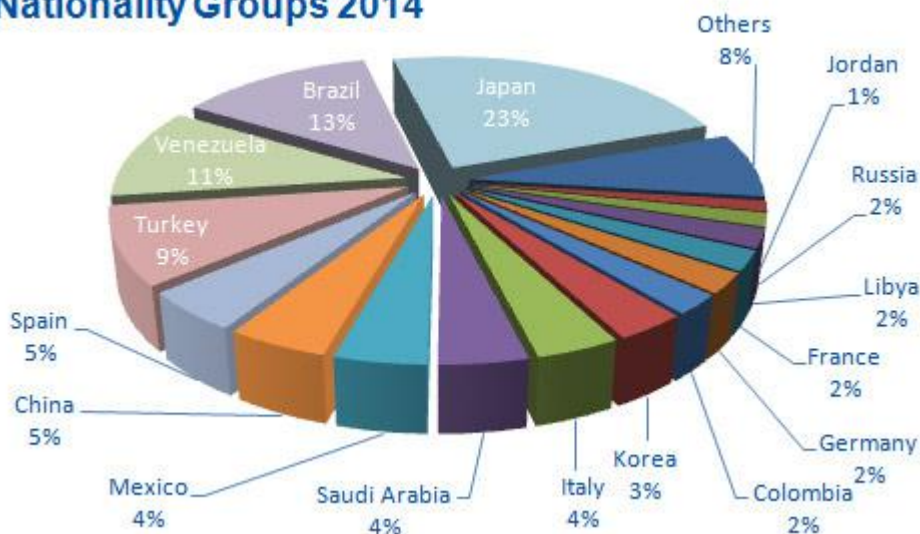
Where do your students come from?

LSI has welcomed over 30 different nationalities from all over the world. Please contact LSI Toronto for the most recent nationality statistics.

How many students do you have during high and low seasons?

We have generally have 60-180 students, with our busiest time being in the summer months (June to August).

Nationality Groups 2014



What is the minimum and average age of your students?

We welcome students of all ages. Our minimum age for adult programmes is 16, and for junior programmes, 13. In the summer, our average age is 23-24, and in the winter 27-29.





OUR COURSES

How do we teach?

Students are placed at an appropriate English level- Beginner, Elementary, Pre-Intermediate, Intermediate, Upper Intermediate or Advanced. Our syllabus includes detailed and systematic integrated language skills development (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) taught in a communicative context. A balance of all language requirements is maintained, using a wide range of materials and techniques. Our method is designed to develop English language skills and encourage students to speak as fluently as possible within the shortest possible time. Students take part in pair work, group work, and individual work.

When are the start dates?

Classes begin each Monday for most courses. Please check our brochure for starting dates of programmes. The school is closed for Canadian national holidays. Please check our current brochure for dates.



Courses we offer

Course
General Courses
Standard 20
Intensive 30
English for Business
International School Year Standard 20

International School Year Intensive 30
Club 40+
Academic English
Afternoon 10
Exam Courses
LSI 30 Cambridge English Language Assessment Courses (CAE)
LSI 30 Cambridge English Language Assessment Courses (FCE)
TOEFL / TOEIC / IELTS Preparation Courses
Executive Courses
Executive One to One (5 lessons per week)
Executive One to One (10 lessons per week)
Executive One to One (20 lessons per week)
Executive One to One (30 lessons per week)
Executive One to One (40 lessons per week)
Executive One to One (50 lessons per week)
Mini Group (30 lessons per week)
9 Day Compact Course (82 lessons)
9 Day Compact Course (92 lessons)
Mini Group (20 lessons per week)
Junior Courses
Junior with Homestay, twin room, summer only
Junior with Homestay, twin room, winter only
Junior summer camp with Residential Accommodation (single room)

The wide range of courses at LSI means that, whatever your needs or whatever your age, you will find a course that suits you. We offer both part time and full time programmes for students of all ages, from juniors to business professionals, and provide courses from 1 to 48 weeks. We believe that both classroom study and active practice in the lesson are equally important. The goal of our programmes is to help each student to develop the confidence to improve both fluent and accurate use of the English language.

Do you offer work experience?

Yes, we offer Language Coop Programmes, which allow student to combine study and a work placement. Please contact the school for the latest information on these programmes.

What is the length of each lesson?

Each lesson is 50 minutes long.

What is a typical class time table like?

Morning classes are 9:00 am to 12:40 pm, Monday to Friday. Afternoon classes are 1:40 to 4:00 pm, Monday to Thursday. Friday afternoons are reserved for school extra-curricular activities.

What is the maximum/average class size?

The maximum class size is 15. Our average class size is about 11.

What levels are offered and how fast does a student progress from level to level?

There are 6 levels: Beginner, Elementary, Pre-Intermediate, Intermediate, Upper Intermediate, and Advanced. Students usually progress to a higher level after 6-10 weeks of study, depending on the level and the student's motivation and ability.

Are textbooks included in the fees?

All class materials are included in the course fees.

Do you receive a free certificate once the course has ended?

Yes, at the end of the course, students have a graduation ceremony and receive an LSI Certificate as long as they have attended 80% of their classes and maintained an average of 70% on weekly tests.

Can I switch my course type/length once I have started it, or decide to add an additional course?

Course changes are generally not permitted after the course has started. For example, changing from 30 lessons a week to 20 lessons a week or shortening courses is not permitted. However, students may add extra lessons or add additional weeks to their course. These arrangements should be made with the LSI Registrar or the student's agent. If students wish to extend their accommodation, they may do so, subject to availability. If they extend late and the host family is booked up with other students, we can usually find them another host family.

When are the school holidays?

2014 public holidays: Jan 1, Feb 17, April 18 and 21, May 19, Jul 1, Aug 4, Sep 1, Oct 13, Nov 11,

Dec 22-26 inclusive.

What is a typical class time table like?

Time	Standard 20	Intensive 30 with Conversation, IELTS / TOEFL iBT / TOEIC/ Cambridge Exam preparation, BusinessEnglish / EAP
9:00 - 10:40	Lessons 1 & 2	Lessons 1 & 2
10:40 - 11:00	Break	Break
11:00 - 12:40	Lessons 3 & 4	Lessons 3 & 4
12:40 - 13:40	Lunch	Lunch
13:40 - 14:45	FINISH	Lesson 5
14:45 - 15:00		Break
15:00 - 16:00		Lesson 6

ORIENTATION

What time should I arrive on my first day and what should I bring?

Please arrive by 8:50 am to complete the necessary paperwork and take a placement test to determine your level of English. Please bring your passport, the signed document from your host if you are staying in homestay, and proof of health insurance. All LSI students must have health insurance for the full duration of their time at LSI. If you do not have health insurance, LSI can provide this. After your placement test, from 11:00 am to 12:40 pm, you will have an orientation to the school and Toronto. If you have booked a full time course, you will start class at 1:40 pm. If you are only taking morning classes, you will start class the following day at 9:00 am.



AIRPORT TRANSFER

Who meets me at the airport and where?

You will be met in the arrivals lobby of the airport by your host family, an LSI staff member, or a designated school driver. We will send you a letter explaining the airport procedure, including

information on where to meet your driver, who will be holding the LSI sign with your name on it.

What alternative transport is there from the airport to the City or my host family accommodation?

Students who wish to make their own way from the airport can also catch the Airport Express bus to downtown Toronto, which departs from the Arrivals level of the airport every 20-30 minutes. You can buy tickets from the driver using cash or credit card or book online in advance. The approximate price is \$22. You can also take a taxi for \$65-\$75.

Are airport transfers available?

Yes, airport transfers are available at an additional cost. Please let us know the date, time of arrival, flight number, airport of departure, and airport of arrival. (e.g. Oct. 6, 2013, arriving at Pearson International Airport at 13:00 on AC32 from Tokyo). If you miss your plane or connecting flight, please contact the school immediately, on the emergency phone if necessary 416-720-3870. If you do not inform the school of changes, you will be charged for an additional transfer. Please meet in the Arrivals area of the airport as you come through the door after leaving customs. Your driver will be holding an LSI sign with your name on it. Please call the LSI emergency number (416-720-3870) if you cannot find the driver at the airport

PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM

Travel Options

Toronto's public transportation system includes buses, streetcars, and subways. A one way fare is \$3 . Monthly passes can be purchased for \$126 and weekly passes cost \$39. LSI staff are available to assist the students in buying bus passes and providing bus and subway maps and timetables.



PAYMENTS/ CANCELLATIONS/ REFUNDS

How do I pay for my LSI course?

Course fees must be paid before your course starts. You will receive an invoice at the time of booking. Payment can be made in cash, by bank transfer, credit card, or debit card. If you would like to pay in another currency, please let us know at the time of booking. Please quote the reference or invoice number when making a payment. Once payment is received, we will send you a Letter of Acceptance. If you send a bank transfer, please quote your agency name and the student's name and fax or email a copy of the bank transfer receipt to us. If you wish to pay by credit card, please ask us

for a credit card authorisation form. If you are paying by credit card, the payment can only be made in Canadian dollars. Banking details for both LSI Toronto and LSI Vancouver: Royal Bank of Canada, 1025 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 3N9. Bank code: 003 Account no. 126-733-5 Swift Code: ROYCCAT2 IBAN 003126733500010

What are your payment terms and conditions?

Please refer to the terms and conditions online at <http://www.lsi.edu/en/terms.shtml> If you are an agency, refer to the contract provided to you by our marketing department. Accommodation refunds require a full 4 weeks' notice. Weeks run from Saturday to Saturday or Sunday to Sunday.

WHAT MAKES LSI TORONTO SO SUCCESSFUL?

Excellent Location

LSI Toronto is centrally located in one of the best residential areas of Toronto. We are 1 block from the subway, making it convenient for students to experience all the attractions the city has to offer.



Careful Assessment

LSI schools and programmes are regularly reviewed to ensure that they are up-to-date, relevant to your needs, and meet your expectations.

Like A Family

LSI Toronto is a medium-sized school. Our students say we have a "family atmosphere" and that they feel at home at LSI. Many of our staff have been with us for several years.

Interactive Classroom Techniques

The wide range of courses at LSI means that, whatever your needs, you will find a course that suits you. A wide variety of starting dates and course durations also gives you many choices.

Well Established

LSI has over 40 years of experience in successful language training.

Value for Money

There will be a careful assessment of your needs on the first day of your course. We test your listening, speaking, writing and grammar before placing you in an appropriate class. All of our teachers are well-qualified, experienced and caring. They will constantly monitor your progress. Our goal is to provide ample opportunity to practise English and make the learning process as comfortable and enjoyable as possible. We use a variety of communicative techniques, all of which give you the opportunity to hear and use English in authentic situations.

International Atmosphere

You will meet students and professionals from all over the world and share the experience of learning a foreign language, as well as learning about Canadian culture. You will truly be part of an international community.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Who can I talk to if I have a problem? Can I speak my own language?

If students have any questions or concerns, they should speak to LSI staff immediately and we will do our best to help. Many of us speak languages other than English.

Can I get a job while I am studying at LSI?

Foreign students and visitors to Canada must have a valid work permit to be employed in Canada.

Can I open a bank account?

Students can open a bank account if they are studying in long-term courses. Please ask LSI staff during your first week and we will provide a letter that you can take to the bank with your passport/national ID and evidence of a Canadian residence.

What happens if I get sick?

You must have medical insurance to cover this possibility. Our downtown location is close to walk-in clinics and hospitals. Your host family can also let you know of a clinic or hospital closer to your home. Upon arrival at LSI, you will receive an information package that includes information for all your needs in Toronto.

How much spending money should I bring?

If you have booked Half Board Homestay accommodation, we recommend that you allow about \$150 per week for spending money, transport, and some activities.

Do you offer insurance?

All LSI students must hold health insurance for the entire duration of their LSI programme. LSI can

provide this upon booking or arrival if you do not have your own. We strongly recommend that you book travel/medical insurance before travelling.

Can I take a holiday during my course?

Yes. You might be entitled to take a 1 to 2-week holiday depending on the type and length of your course and the conditions of our visa. You will then be able to extend your course by the number of weeks' holiday you took at no extra cost; however, if you need to extend your accommodation for this extra time, you will need to pay for this. Please get permission from the school 2 weeks before taking a holiday!

Do I need a visa to study at your school?

Please contact the Canadian Embassy or Consulate in your country for visa application information and procedures.

If you have any additional questions that we have not answered please contact us at...

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We hope to see you soon!

Accreditation and Membership

