

Toronto News

Canadian Election

The month of October is a busy month this year in Canada. First we have Thanksgiving, then a Federal Election, and then Halloween. Every four years in Canada, a Federal election is held. This is when all the people in the country vote for the prime minister of Canada. This is a major party of what makes a democratic country so great. The people of the country choose who runs the country and what kind of future we want for ourselves.

Canada has six major parties that have different goals for Canada's future. The major parties in Canada are: the Liberal Party of Canada, the Conservative Party of Canada, the New Democratic Party (NDP), the Bloc Quebecois (the Bloc), the Green Party of Canada, and the Peoples' Party of Canada (PPC). Sometimes there is an independent person who wants to try to be part of government, but doesn't believe in any of the six parties' ideas and goals. Each party has a leader. This person is someone the political party has chosen to be the Prime Minister if the party gets the most votes. For example, Canada's current political party is the Liberal Party and the leader of that party is Justin Trudeau. Thus, Justin Trudeau is the Prime Minister of Canada.

The country is broken into spaces called riding. There are 338 riding. Each riding has a representative for a political party (the Liberals, the Conservatives, the NDP, the Bloc, the Green's, the PPC, or an independent) that Canadian can vote for. Each Canadian can vote only once. The party that gets the most number of votes in a riding wins. When all is said and done, the party with the most won ridings will be the next governing body of Canada. When Canada votes on October 21st 2019 the government and prime minister will be decided.

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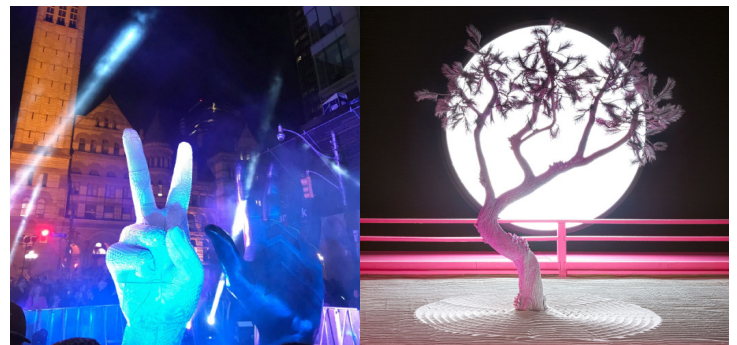
SGIC Toronto Events

Welcome Party



We enjoyed visiting Grace O' Malley's located on 14 Dundas St, Toronto, ON M5H 3G8. We had beers and some food while we met our new students. This monthly event is the perfect environment to meet new friends, learn English, and enjoy stories from others.

Nuit Blanche



From sunset to sunrise, Nuit Blanche transformed the streets of Toronto into an elaborate spectacle of thought-provoking pieces and extravagant colour from hundreds of Canadian and international artists. We took to the streets to enjoy the all-night art party of Nuit Blanche.

SGIC Program



[Shawn, ESL Teacher]

General English - ESL (English as a Second Language)

SGIC offers 6 different levels of ESL classes to learn in: ESL 1 – ESL 6. In the morning, students learn reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills with grammar mixed into the lessons. This allows grammar to make more sense to our students and helps create real life connections between the classroom and how you will use your knowledge outside of the classroom. Small class sizes, no more than 18 in a class, allows students to get one-on-one time with teachers and creates an enjoyable learning experience. Students use a course book with online material. Technology is part of our daily lives. At SGIC, we recognize this and make technology part of our daily teaching responsibilities too.

The last class of the day is a speaking, communicative class for the lower levels. For the upper level ESL classes, students choose an elective class. These classes could be: Power Speaking, Music through English, Pronunciation, Reading, Writing, and more. Teachers in these afternoon classes have been specifically chosen for each elective. This ensures our students get a passionate teacher, a great learning environment, and can improve a skill of their choice.

SGIC TESTIMONIAL

1. What was the main reason for choosing SGIC?

My friend recommended me and SGIC has an online testing. It's convenient.

2. How do you like about your program?

The ESL class is very fun. I can have fun in class and improve my English. In school, we can only communicate in English, this is my favorite point.

3. Please tell me about your teacher and atmosphere in the class.

I have learned English in SGIC for two months and I have to speak English everyday. If I speak in my own language, I will get a warning! Which is a good thing to improve my English! I can feel my oral language skill getting better day by day. Shawn is my favorite teacher! He is amazing. His class is funny and I can understand everything. He also very kind and patient. Whenever we have problems, he can give us a very comprehensive explanation. I am very happy to have chosen SGIC.

YUTING WU from CHINA



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VANCOUVER CAMPUS October 2019

SGIC News **Updating Colours on Campus**

SGIC Vancouver Campus has recently renovated and painted adding new colours (Blue and White). After we painted, SGIC also created some wall art that represents SGIC and Vancouver. SGIC is very excited and happy to have the new decorations on the school walls. In addition to the new paint and wall designs, classes are set up with new tables, chairs and smart televisions for students to use to enhance their learning experiences in our ESL program. Teachers can use the televisions to show movie clips, songs, pronunciation lessons and more. We are all very happy with how much the atmosphere has changed and the positive feedback we have received from our students.



SGIC Activity **Kayaking @ Deer Lake, Burnaby**

Kayaking in British Columbia is a great activity for everyone. SGIC goes kayaking two or three times each year. This month, we went to Deer Lake in Burnaby. It's a beautiful lake situated in the middle of Burnaby. Students from Japan, Chile, Brazil, Ukraine, Thailand, South Korea and Taiwan enjoyed themselves. We always start with a safety talk and shortly after, begin kayaking. The lake is filled with fish such as trout, pumpkin seed and perch. Many people fish there as well as catch crawfish. Deer Lake is also used in many movies and television shows so students really have fun seeing famous places that they have seen on television or at the movie theatre.



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SGIC Program



[Negar, TYCP Teacher]

Teach Young Children Program (TYCP)

This month was very excited for our TYCP students. Students from TYCP Program were able to practice what they learned in the class about teaching young children with a real group of toddlers at Day-care Centre. This Opportunity gave the students a true Canadian experience. TYCP students were able to interact with and speak with the children and create a welcoming space for young children. Having this unique opportunity that allowed students to get a complete picture of teaching children as well as see and experience child development. The students were able to teach new songs, help children to use words to express their feelings. It was a very fun day with lots of hands on practice and a great learning experience.

SGIC TESTIMONIAL

VILASINEE from THAILAND

1. What was the main reason for choosing SGIC?

I researched the information. I found that SGIC is one of the best schools in Vancouver which is offering various programs and activities that students want. And also the location is in downtown Vancouver only 5 minutes walking from school to Skytrain Station or Canada Line Station, so it is very convenience to get to school.

2. What do you think about SGIC?

I studied Full-Time Intensive English Program for 2 months. The programs were very suitable for my English level. Learning management was a step by step that made me easy to understand. I liked dynamic in the classes which were from activities that teachers provided for us, it made classes not boring. The teachers were very kind to me. They always helped me when I had problem in grammar or other things too. They always cheered me up when I wasn't confident in speaking English. The teachers at SGIC are very nice!

