

(c) Language requirements

All Canadian universities require evidence of language proficiency for foreign students but not all require a test. Consequently, a student should not take a test unless invited to do so by a Canadian university that has found him (or her), in all other respects, qualified for admission. An immigration officer may also require proof of language proficiency before granting a visa.

The tests now in use are the following:

English:

- (i) The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) of the Education Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey, U.S.A.
- (ii) The English-proficiency test administered in many parts of the world by the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A. This can be taken at any time, and results are provided within six weeks of application.
- (iii) The test leading to the certificate of proficiency in English of the University of Cambridge. This is given twice a year, in March and October. Information may be obtained from the local centre of the British Council or from the Secretary (Examination in English), 47 Bate-man Street, Cambridge, England.

(d) Application and registration procedures

Application for admission to a Canadian university should be addressed only to the registrar, from whom information about the availability of courses, admission requirements, fees and expenditures can be obtained. Since a good deal of correspondence may be necessary before a student is accepted into a Canadian university, applications should be made well in advance of the session to be attended, preferably 12 to 18 months.

The academic year in Canada is usually divided into two terms that run through the autumn and winter months—from the middle of September to April or May, with a short vacation at Christmas. A few universities, however, operate on a trimester system with three terms—spring (early May until early August); fall (early September until end of December); and winter (early January until late April).

When advised to do so by a university, a student should supply or arrange to have supplied a detailed statement of his academic record, with certified copies of his secondary-school certificate and official transcripts of records of all his university or other post-secondary education. If copies of original documents are neither in English nor in French, they should always be accompanied by certified or no-