

Air travel: There are good plane connections to all the larger cities in the country. Usually two types of fare are available, first-class and economy; economy fares are considerably cheaper. All fares include the cost of meals served in the plane and there is no tipping involved. Transportation to the airport by airport limousine or bus will generally cost between \$1.00 and \$1.50. You should inquire at the airline office concerning this service. Passages should be booked a week or so in advance and reservations for return flights must be confirmed or cancelled at least six hours before flight departure time.

Local transportation: Buses and street cars are the ordinary means of transportation in the main cities. Usually you enter by the front door and pay your fare to the operator. There is generally a standard charge for travel anywhere within the city, and the individual fare will be cheaper if a number of tickets are purchased at a time. In some cities it is possible to transfer from one bus route to another to reach your destination, in which case you should ask the operator of the bus for a transfer ticket when you pay your fare.

Vacation travel: Special excursion fares for university students are available for travel by plane, train or bus during vacations.

## LIVING IN CANADA

### (a) LOCATION

Canada occupies the entire northern part of the North American continent with the exception of Alaska and Greenland and is territorially the second largest country in the world. It stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, and from the Arctic Ocean in the north to the United States border in the south, and has a population of over 18 million.

### (b) CLIMATE

The climate in Canada varies greatly from region to region, but generally is one of extremes. In British Columbia summers are long and winters mild, while in most of the other provinces the summers (June-September) are very hot and the winters (November-March) very cold. When you are considering study at a Canadian university, you should make inquiries about the climate of the particular area in which that university is located. Buildings are heated in cold weather.

### (c) PEOPLE

Canada is a country of two main languages and cultures - English and French. Banknotes, stamps, government documents, and packages containing common household goods are printed in both languages. In addition to Canadians of British and French ancestry, many other nationalities, mainly European, are represented among the Canadian people.