

**Bow Valley  
College**



**International  
Viewbook  
2023**



**Bow Valley College**  
Calgary, Canada





# Calgary

**A multicultural diverse city located  
40 minutes away from the  
world-famous Rocky Mountains**

Calgary is a safe location in Canada for international students. It has a safety index of 82 (Travel Safe - Abroad). Campus Security at Bow Valley College works hard to provide students, employees, and visitors with a safe environment.



Top in technology  
and a hub for the  
digital media, video game,  
and biotech industries



Free Alberta Health Care  
Insurance Plan (AHCIP)  
coverage for  
international students



Most extensive outdoor  
pathway and urban bike  
network in North America



# Flight times across Canada

With one of the world's most modern and welcoming airports, Calgary is easy to get to by air with commercial airline access and other options available to travelers. This access makes Calgary the perfect hub to explore Canada.

**Vancouver** – 1.5 hours

**Toronto** – 4.25 hours

**Montreal** – 4.75 hours



## More to discover in and around Calgary



**Banff/Lake Louise**



**Calgary Stampede**



**Stephen Avenue**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Most livable  
city in the world

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Lowest cost of living among  
Canadian cities



Minimum wage  
is \$15 CAD/hour



# Stay in Canada

Studying at eligible designated Canadian learning institutions and obtaining an open work permit are important steps toward permanent residence for international students who are looking to make Canada their home. As a Bow Valley College student, you will gain valuable skills and graduate with hands-on Canadian experience that will help you make the transition.

## Post-graduation Work Permit Program (PGWPP)

The PGWPP allows students who have graduated from eligible designated Canadian learning institutions to obtain an open work permit to gain valuable Canadian work experience. Skilled real-world training gained through the PGWPP helps graduates qualify for permanent residence in Canada through the Canadian Experience Class within Express Entry.

|  |   |                                   |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| <b>One year program</b><br>Up to one year PGWP | <b>Two year program</b><br>Up to three years PGWP | <b>DLI number</b><br>O19273769422 |
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## Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP)

Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP) is an economic immigration program that nominates people for permanent residence in Alberta. Nominees must have skills to fill job shortages or be planning to buy or start a business in Alberta.

AAIP may invite qualified candidates with an Express Entry profile to apply for nomination for permanent residence. Check here for more information: [alberta.ca/ainp.aspx](https://alberta.ca/ainp.aspx)

## Graduate Entrepreneur Stream

The Graduate Entrepreneur Stream allows AAIP to nominate qualified international graduates from Alberta post-secondary institutions who want to establish or operate a business in Alberta to apply for permanent residence. Check here for more information: [alberta.ca/ainp.aspx](https://alberta.ca/ainp.aspx)





# Your future says thanks at Bow Valley College

Student success is our top priority, and we pursue this goal in a variety of ways. We collaborate with top industry sectors and future employers to ensure our graduates will gain the skills and experiences needed to land a rewarding job in their area of study successfully.

## Why Bow Valley College?

**One of Canada's top 50 research colleges**

**Affordable tuition and living expenses**

**High-quality instruction in small classes  
where teaching is interactive, personalized,  
and engaging**

**Diverse student population from 148  
different countries**

**86% graduate employment rate\***

Graduate employment rates cited in this publication are based on the survey of 2020 to 2021 Bow Valley College graduates conducted by an independent market research company. The employment rates are based on graduates reporting that they were employed in either training-related or other jobs at the point they were surveyed (for example, graduates who were actively seeking employment and not pursuing further studies).

**College campuses offer excellent  
facilities to support learning, such as  
computer labs, conference halls, studios,  
and libraries**



# Campus life

Love every minute of campus life



## City life within reach

When you study at Bow Valley College, you get to be downtown every day. That includes easy and fast public transit (we're right on the CTrain line), a vibrant city feel on campus, and plenty of places nearby to relax and recharge before or after class. Soon you may be asking yourself: How many coffee breaks on the waterfront is too many in one day?





# Calgary: Affordable tuition and living expenses

| Institution                         | Bow Valley College | Similar college | Similar college |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| City                                | Calgary            | Toronto         | Vancouver       |
| Costs - mandatory (per four months) |                    |                 |                 |
| Tuition                             | \$8,083            | \$7,998         | \$9,300         |
| Textbooks                           | \$620              | \$662           | \$750           |
| Other general costs                 |                    |                 |                 |
| Rent (one bedroom)**                | \$4,480            | \$7,200         | \$7,800         |
| Personal                            | \$210              | \$226           | \$224           |
| Clothing                            | \$210              | \$226           | \$224           |
| Food                                | \$1,680            | \$1,808         | \$1,792         |
| Entertainment                       | \$400              | \$446           | \$446           |
| Phone/Internet                      | \$587              | \$599           | \$597           |
| Transportation pass                 | \$291              | \$624           | \$536           |
| Total (per four months)             | \$16,561           | \$19,789        | \$21,669        |

The City of Calgary's tax rate is 5 per cent, Toronto's is 13 per cent and Vancouver's is 12 per cent.

\*These amounts are based on a course load of five courses per semester (four months) and will vary by program. All amounts are estimates only. Actual costs will vary. All costs are in Canadian dollars and are subject to change without notice. Tuition comparison is based on a similar career program from three different institutions located in major cities in Canada.

\*\*According to: [blog.padmapper.com/Canadian-Rent-Trends](https://blog.padmapper.com/Canadian-Rent-Trends)

## Housing options

Bow Valley College does not offer on-campus housing. For information on accommodation options, including homestays, private home room rentals, or other rental accommodations in and around Calgary, please refer to the following websites:

[pickhomestay.com](https://pickhomestay.com)      [canadahomestaynetwork.ca](https://canadahomestaynetwork.ca)  
[liveatsait.com](https://liveatsait.com)      [rentboard.ca](https://rentboard.ca)  
[rentseeker.ca](https://rentseeker.ca)      [calgary.rentspot.com](https://calgary.rentspot.com)  
[rentfaster.ca](https://rentfaster.ca)

Check our website for more resources at:  
[bowvalleycollege.ca/student-resources](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/student-resources)

## Cost estimator

Need help planning your expenses?

Try our online cost estimator tool:  
<https://bowvalleycollege.ca/student-resources/financial-services/cost-estimator>



Scan this QR code to easily access the URL above on your mobile device



# Scholarships and awards

Bow Valley College offers a selection of scholarship and award opportunities for international students, from program entry and through their studies. To be eligible, students must meet each award criteria and be registered in courses for the academic term in which they are applying. Students can apply for more than one open award as long as they meet the eligibility criteria.



**Entrance Awards:**  
\$2,000 to \$2,500 CAD



**In-course Awards:**  
\$2,000 CAD



**Academic Achievement**  
Award: \$2,000 CAD



**CEA Diploma Scholarship**  
\$3,250 to \$19,500 CAD\*



**Academic Improvement**  
Award: \$2,000 CAD



**International Mobility**  
Awards: \$2,000 CAD

\*Bow Valley College offers the student a scholarship based on portfolio assessment to be applied to their tuition evenly at the start of each term in the program. Foundation in Entertainment Arts Certificate has no scholarship.

## Timothy Afuhmbom Ndongndeh

"I was blessed to be an ambassador at different community events and had the opportunity to perform at TEDx Bow Valley College. I also volunteered with various local charities and non-profits, which was very rewarding and helped me build a solid network. In recognition of my volunteer work and community involvement, I won the Community Involvement Award. I was very thankful to receive this award because it really helped take care of some of my basic needs."





# English language proficiency requirements

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting closures of many testing centres around the world, Bow Valley College is temporarily accepting the Duolingo English Test as an addition to the English language proficiency requirement options for admission to career programs. Check more here: [bowvalleycollege.ca/ELP](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/ELP)

| Program                                     | IELTS Academic                     | TOEFL  | Pearson PTE Academic | Bow Valley College AE2 | CLB             | Duolingo |
|---|------------------------------------|--|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Most programs (except below)                | 6.0 with minimum band score of 6   | 83   | 59-64                | Minimum grade of B-    | 8 in each skill | 95-100   |
| Health Care Aide Certificate                | 6.0 with no band below 5.5         | 71   | n/a                  | n/a                    | 7 in each skill | 95-100   |
| Pharmacy Technician Diploma*                | 6.5 with minimum band score of 6.0 | 91 with minimum scores:<br>Listening: 21<br>Reading: 22<br>Writing: 25<br>Speaking: 23 | n/a                  | n/a                    | n/a             | n/a      |
| Interdisciplinary Therapy Assistant Diploma | 6.5 with minimum band score of 6   | 84 with no section score below 21  | 59-64                | Minimum grade of B     | 8 in each skill | n/a      |

## Academic documents required by country\*

\*For country-specific document requirements, please check the "International Academic Documents by Country list" file here: [bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply)

### Vietnam:

English and math from Học bạ và Bằng Tốt Nghiệp Trung Học Phổ Thông (Transcript and Senior High School Certificate)

### India:

English and math from Senior Secondary Examination and Secondary School Examination conducted by your Board of Education

### Mexico:

English and math from Baccalaureate (Bachillerato)

### Nigeria:

English and math from Senior School Certificate (WAEC/NECO/GCE O, A level)

### Philippines:

Post-2018 English and math from High School Diploma Katibayan, Katunayan

Pre-2018 English and math from High School Diploma Katibayan, Katunayan in combination with Post-Secondary transcripts

# Programs at a glance

## Chiu School of Business

| Program   | Admission requirements <sup>1</sup> | Length  | Total fees (CAD) <sup>2</sup> | Start dates <sup>3</sup>   |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Administrative Professional Certificate   | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math     | 1 year  | \$16,627                      | September, January         |
| Business Administration Certificate   | Grade 12 English, Grade 12 math     | 1 year  | \$16,492                      | September, January         |
| Business Administration Diploma:<br>Accounting, Financial Services, General<br>Business, Human Resources, Insurance and<br>Risk Management, Integrated Marketing<br>Communications, Supply Chain Management | Grade 12 English, Grade 12 math     | 2 years | \$33,073                      | September, January         |
| Hospital Unit Clerk Certificate   | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math     | 1 year  | \$14,282                      | September, January         |
| Human Resources Certificate   | Grade 12 English, Grade 12 math     | 1 year  | \$16,551                      | September, January         |
| Legal Assistant Diploma   | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math     | 2 years | \$28,521                      | September, January         |
| Medical Office<br>Assistant Certificate   | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math     | 1 year  | \$13,747                      | September,<br>January, May |
| Veterinary Office<br>Assistant Certificate  | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math     | 1 year  | \$13,519                      | September, January         |

## School of Health and Wellness

| Program   | Admission requirements <sup>1</sup>  | Length  | Total fees <sup>2</sup> (CAD) | Start dates <sup>3</sup>   |
|---|--|---------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Health Care Aide Certificate  | Grade 11 English   | 1 year  | \$19,519                      | September, January         |
| Health and Human<br>Services Management<br>Post-Diploma Certificate | Diploma or degree in health or human<br>services. Equivalencies considered on a<br>case-by-case basis. | 1 year  | \$16,222                      | September,<br>January, May |
| Interdisciplinary Therapy Assistant Diploma                         | Grade 12 English, Biology, and<br>Grade 10 math  | 2 years | \$48,686                      | September                  |
| Pharmacy Technician Diploma   | High school diploma with 60% in Grade 12<br>English, math, biology, and chemistry                      | 2 years | \$29,845                      | September                  |



## School of Community Studies

| Program   | Admission requirements <sup>1</sup> | Length  | Total fees (CAD) <sup>2</sup> | Start dates <sup>3</sup> |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Child and Youth Care Diploma  | Grade 12 English                    | 2 years | \$39,918                      | September                |
| Disability Studies Certificate  | Grade 12 English                    | 1 year  | \$14,052                      | September                |
| Disability Studies Diploma  | Grade 12 English                    | 2 years | \$29,980                      | September                |
| Early Childhood Education and Development Diploma                       | Grade 12 English                    | 2 years | \$27,609                      | September, January       |
| Education Assistant Certificate   | Grade 12 English                    | 1 year  | \$13,147                      | September                |
| Justice Studies Diploma: Correctional Studies, General, Law Enforcement | Grade 12 English                    | 2 years | \$25,966                      | September                |
| Social Work Diploma<br>*6 terms of study                                | Grade 12 English                    | 2 years | \$41,645                      | September                |

## Centre for Entertainment Arts

| Program   | Admission requirements <sup>1</sup>  | Length  | Total fees (CAD) <sup>2</sup> | Start dates <sup>3</sup> |
|---|--|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Advanced 3D Animation & 3D Modelling Diploma<br>*6 terms of study | High school diploma, portfolio submission of 15-20 pieces of artistic work in digital format | 2 years | \$67,050                      | September, January, May  |
| Advanced Game Development Diploma<br>*6 terms of study            | High school diploma, portfolio submission of 15-20 pieces of artistic work in digital format | 2 years | \$67,699                      | September, January, May  |
| Advanced VFX (Virtual Production) Diploma<br>*6 terms of study    | High school diploma, portfolio submission of 15-20 pieces of artistic work in digital format | 2 years | \$67,050                      | September, January, May  |
| Foundation in Entertainment Arts Certificate<br>*3 terms of study | High school diploma, portfolio submission of 5-10 pieces of artistic work in digital format  | 1 year  | \$21,024                      | September, January, May  |

# School of Technology

| Program   | Admission requirements <sup>1</sup>  | Length  | Total fees (CAD) <sup>2</sup> | Start dates <sup>3</sup> |
|---|--|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Cloud Computing Post-Diploma Certificate                              | Degree or diploma in information technologies, computer engineering, software development, management information systems, or equivalent | 1 year  | \$27,781                      | September                |
| Cybersecurity Post-Diploma Certificate                                | Degree or diploma in information technologies, computer engineering, software development, management information systems, or equivalent | 1 year  | \$26,146                      | September                |
| Data Management and Analytics Post-Diploma Certificate                | Completion of a diploma or degree, Grade 12 Math   | 1 year  | \$34,462                      | September                |
| Digital Design Diploma  | Grade 12 English   | 2 years | \$47,858                      | September                |
| Digital Marketing Post-Diploma Certificate                            | Completion of a diploma or degree  | 1 year  | \$18,736                      | September                |
| Information Technology Systems Diploma                                | Grade 12 English, Grade 12 math  | 2 years | \$42,407                      | September                |
| Interior Decorating Diploma   | Grade 12 English, Grade 10 math  | 2 years | \$27,609                      | September                |
| Kitchen and Bath Design Post-Diploma Certificate<br>*3 terms of study | Diploma or a degree in interior decorating, interior design, architectural technology, or a related program/portfolio                    | 1 year  | \$20,131                      | September                |
| Software Development Diploma  | Grade 12 English, Grade 12 math  | 2 years | \$38,391                      | September, January       |
| Software Development Post-Diploma Certificate                         | Completion of a diploma or degree, Grade 12 math   | 1 year  | \$20,458                      | September                |

1. Admissions requirements are subject to change; see the full program listing at [bowvalleycollege.ca](https://bowvalleycollege.ca) for a complete list of non-academic program requirements. Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency. For more information, please refer to the English language proficiency requirements on page 9 (also online: [bowvalleycollege.ca/ELP](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/ELP))
2. Costs (tuition and fees) are estimated based on normal full-time loads for each program for the 2022-2023 academic year and are subject to change. For up-to-date tuition and fee information, please see [bowvalleycollege.ca/fees](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/fees). Note: costs do not include books or a laptop.
3. See [bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Dates](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Dates) for exact program start date.



# Chiu School of Business

Have a business idea and want to get started? Chiu School of Business offer opportunities through Social Entrepreneurship to help students build their entrepreneurial skills and get ready to launch their business.

## One-year programs

- Administrative Professional Certificate
- Business Administration Certificate
- Hospital Unit Clerk Certificate
- Human Resources Certificate
- Medical Office Assistant Certificate
- Veterinary Office Assistant Certificate

## Two-year programs

- **Business Administration Diploma Majors:**
  - Accounting
  - Financial Services
  - General Business
  - Human Resources
  - Insurance and Risk Management
  - Integrated Marketing Communications
  - Supply Chain Management
- **Legal Assistant Diploma**

## Career possibilities

Accounts Payable/Receivable Clerk | Administrative Assistant | Bookkeeper | Claims Adjuster | Communications Specialist | Financial Services Representative | Human Resources Generalist | Information Clerk | Insurance Broker | Investment Manager | Judicial Clerk | Legal Assistant/Secretary | Media Relations Officer | Medical Assistant/Receptionist

**Salary median: \$40,000 CAN/year maximum: \$100,000 CAN/year**



**Business Case Competitions**



**Recognized programs in the industry**



**Social entrepreneurship development**



## Agatha Mari Caraveo

### Business Administration Diploma

Agatha participated in the Venture Quest competition and won the 1st place with her pitch. She presented her idea to a panel of judges and was awarded \$7,237 in funding to grow her business, Lormed Accessories: fashionable medical accessories that share crucial health information with first responders.

# School of Technology

Make your dream a reality with the School of Technology. Bow Valley College's School of Technology Digital Design Diploma students took part in European Innovation Academy program and travelled to Portugal for the competition.

## One-year programs

- Cloud Computing Post-Diploma Certificate
- Data Management and Analytics Post-Diploma Certificate
- Cybersecurity Post-Diploma Certificate
- Digital Marketing Post-Diploma Certificate
- Kitchen and Bath Design Post-Diploma Certificate
- Software Development Post-Diploma Certificate

## Two-year programs

- Digital Design Diploma
- Information Technology Systems Diploma
- Interior Decorating Diploma
- Software Development Diploma

## Career possibilities

IT Support Analyst | Desktop Support | Technical Support | Decorating Consultant | Digital Marketer | Digital Marketing Manager | Digital Marketing Specialist | Graphic Designer | Interior Decorator | Interior Decorating Consultant | Home Decorator | Kitchen and Bath Designer | Marketing Coordinator | Office Space Planner | Software Developer | Software Programmer | Data Analyst Network Administrations | Internet Resource Management | Information Systems Project Manager | Business and Systems Analyst

**Salary median: \$71,000 CAN/year maximum: \$120,000 CAN/year (according to Payscale)**



**IT industry-recognized  
certificates**



**Women Pivoting in Tech  
bursary**



**National Kitchen and Bath  
Association certification**



**Decorators and  
Designers Association  
of Canada**



## Michelle Woerle

### Digital Design Diploma

Michelle participated in the European Innovation Academy for a 15-day tech entrepreneurship program in Cascais, Portugal and Turin, Italy. Her team pitched their ideas to investors based in Singapore and California.

*"These pitches served as practice, a chance to receive input, and to gauge if we had what it took to become one of the top ten teams that would pitch on the grand stage".*



# Centre for Entertainment Arts

Wild minds wanted. If you dare to dream about seeing the characters, creatures, and worlds of your imagination on the screen, big or small, you'll be right at home at Bow Valley College Centre for Entertainment Arts (CEA).

## One-year programs

- Foundation in Entertainment Arts Certificate

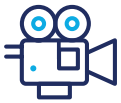
## Two-year programs

- Advanced 3D Animation & 3D Modelling Diploma
- Advanced Game Development Diploma
- Advanced VFX (Virtual Production) Diploma

## Career possibilities

3D Animator | Character Animator | Creature Animator | UI Designer | Storyboard Artist | Previz Artist | Layout Artist | 3D Generalist | 3D Modeler | Look Dev Artist | FX Artist | Compositor | Texturing and Surfacing Artist | Roto/Prep Artist | Matchmove Artist | Game Designer | Level Designer | Gameplay Programmer | Systems Programmer | Tools Programmer | UX Designer | Materials Artist | Technical Artist | Balance Designer | Monetization Designer

**Salary median: \$55,000 CAN/year maximum: \$115,000 CAN/year**



**CEA work initiative**



**Work with industry  
standard tools**



**Leadership from  
the industry**



## Angelina Vedernikova

**Advanced 3D Animation & 3D Modelling Diploma**

*"CEA has a great teaching approach. It was not only an opportunity to learn from the industry's most experienced professionals, but also an opportunity to make valuable connections."*

Angelina, is now working in Animation Quality Control at Industrial Light & Magic (the world-renowned studio founded by Star Wars creator, George Lucas).

# School of Community Studies

Build a career that makes a positive difference in your community. The School of Community Studies implemented several mental health training courses such as the internationally recognized Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) to give an advantage to students when applying for work experience.

## One-year programs

- Disability Studies Certificate
- Education Assistant Certificate
- Health and Human Services Management Post-Diploma Certificate

## Two-year programs

- Disability Studies Diploma
- Early Childhood Education and Development Diploma
- Justice Studies Diploma Majors:
  - Correctional Studies
  - General Justice
  - Law Enforcement
- Child and Youth Care Diploma
- Social Work Diploma

## Career possibilities

By-law Enforcement Officer | Child and Youth Care Worker | Supervisor | Rehabilitation Worker | Community Support Youth Worker | Correctional Services Worker | Disability Support Worker | Educational/Teacher Assistant | Consultant | Family Support Worker | Foster Care Liaison | Mental Health Advocate Outreach Worker | Parole/Probation Officer | Peace Officer | Preschool Teacher | Program Manager | Residential Support Worker | Social Worker | Young Offender Centre Worker

**Salary median: \$40,000 CAN/year maximum: \$90,000 CAN/year**



**Alberta College  
of Social Workers  
(ACSW) accreditation**



**International practicum  
and practicum projects**



**Child Development  
Supervisor  
certification**



## Roanna Phillips

### Social Work Diploma

*"I recommend the ASIST since having that course in your toolkit is beneficial for everybody. When I was being considered for my practicum at a community agency, my ASIST accreditation gave me a leg-up."*



# School of Health and Wellness

Ever wonder who all of those people are behind your pharmacy counter? Chances are some of those professionals received their training right here at Bow Valley College. A vital part of the prescription for success in this diploma is Bow Valley College's state-of-the-art lab. Students train in a simulated workspace using real medications and world-class technology.

## One-year programs

- Health Care Aide Certificate
- Health and Human Services Management Post-Diploma Certificate

## Two-year programs

- Pharmacy Technician Diploma
- Interdisciplinary Therapy Assistant Diploma

A Pharmacy Technician Diploma allows students to learn to prepare compounds and sterile products, and to dispense medications. This full-time program includes two months in community and hospital practicum placements.

- Full accreditation status with CCAPP
- On-site labs for clinical-setting experience
- Graduate work-ready
- Hands-on learning in our simulation centre
- 91% of graduates are employed in their field

## Career possibilities

Executive Director | Program Coordinator | Case Manager | Team Leader | Assistant Manager | Assistant Director | Registered Pharmacy Technician | Pharmacy Assistant | Health Care Aide | Home Support Worker | Personal Care Aide/Attendant

**Salary median: \$51,000 CAN/year maximum: \$80,000 CAN/year**



**Canadian Council  
for Accreditation of  
Pharmacy Programs**



**Practicum in  
hospitals and  
pharmacies**



**Hands-on training  
in labs with cutting-  
edge technology**



## Jen Bibby

### Pharmacy Technician Diploma

*"At Bow Valley College, instructors provided the moral support that allowed me to stay focused. You really feel that they want you to succeed."*

Jen went on to earn the highest mark in Alberta for the national Pharmacy Technician Qualifying Examination.

*"I would have never gotten this award without my instructors."*

# International English Language Learning (ELL)

Are you ready to improve your English language skills to enter post-secondary programs in Canada? Join students who come to Bow Valley College from all over the world to enrol in our certified English Language Learning program.

To find everything you need about International ELL go to:  
[bowvalleycollege.ca/international-ell](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/international-ell)



Ana Karina Navas, former ELL student.



## Why Bow Valley College

- Highly qualified instructors
- Advisors and counsellors to help students with academic, career, and life goals
- A curriculum based on Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB)
- The ELL program is certified by the Languages Canada Quality Assurance Scheme
- Opportunities to learn about Canadian culture
- An ELL Tutorial Centre for individual or small group help with language problems
- Computer labs for practicing reading, writing, listening, grammar, and internet skills





## Program Structure

The International English Language Learning program offers five levels. Each level costs approximately \$4,957 per semester. Your initial level placement can be determined by submitting a valid English language proficiency exam result (IELTS Academic, Duolingo, TOEFL, or Pearson PTE)\*. The level placement will be based on the lowest band score of the official English proficiency exam result (except TOEFL iBT).

| Level  | IELTS Academic | Duolingo | Pearson PTE A | TOEFL iBT |
|--|----------------|----------|---------------|-----------|
| <b>International ELL Preparation</b><br>400 hours over 15-week term        | 3.5            | 45-50    | 24-25         | 24-25     |
| <b>International ELL 1</b><br>400 hours over 15-week term                  | 4.0            | 55-60    | 26-29         | 26-31     |
| <b>Transition to Academic English (TAE)</b><br>400 hours over 15-week term | 4.5            | 65-70    | 30-35         | 32-43     |
| <b>Academic English 1 (AE1)</b><br>400 hours over 15-week term             | 5.0            | 75-80    | 36-41         | 53        |
| <b>Academic English 2 (AE2)</b><br>400 hours over 15-week term             | 5.5            | 85-90    | 42-50         | 71        |

\*Notes:

- IELTS Academic, Duolingo, Pearson PTE A, and TOEFL iBT results are valid for two years from the day of testing.
- Results that expire prior to the start date of the program cannot be accepted.
- Official results must be submitted.

### Pathway



# Student resources

## Services to help you thrive in school, work, and life

Student Services provides resources to enhance the student experience and support academic success at Bow Valley College. Its four central spaces offer a range of services, including student engagement, personal, academic and employment support, and Indigenous cultural resources.

### Keep your learning on track

#### Academic Success Centre

Connects students with peer tutors, learning coaches, writing support, and academic skills workshops.

#### RGO Library and Learning Commons

Provides workshops, online guides, and one-on-one help with research for course assignments, citations, referencing, and avoiding plagiarism.

#### Students' Association of Bow Valley College (SABVC)

- SABVC provides funds annually to support scholarships for our students who demonstrate outstanding academic performance, excellent leadership skills, and strong community involvement.
- SABVC provides an open avenue for students to contribute toward advocacy efforts and improve student life on campus via the Students' Council and Executive Committee elections.

#### Student Success

- Offers key services such as financial assistance, personal counselling, career and employment support, and accommodations for students with disabilities
- The Reaching for Individual Success Every Day (RISE) program helps students create a tailored success plan
- Supports volunteer opportunities, leadership development, and New Student Orientation
- My Success Hub is a free, online information resource available at your fingertips, 24/7
- There's also a Multi-Faith Space, Fresh Routes Market, and spaces and opportunities for our diverse study body to gather and build community. Check our website for more resources at [bowvalleycollege.ca/student-resources](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/student-resources).





# International Education

The International Education team is dedicated to supporting our international learners in achieving success through their academic and student-life experiences. Our full-service model provides assistance to our students from initial application to graduation, including:

## International learner advising

International learner advisors are here to support current learners and alumni. They are available to connect with students by appointment.

## Social, recreational, and cultural events

The International Students Club organizes new activities every term. They can include social, recreational, and cultural activities.

## Learner pathway planning

International learner advisors help learners with pathway planning and changes to their study plans.

## Immigration information

The Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant (RCIC) supports current students with immigration information related to study and work permits.

## Cross-cultural integration

We offer programs to support students' cross-cultural integration and help them adapt to Canadian culture.

## Community connections

Learner success advisors refer students to resources and services available at the College and in the community.



**International  
education and mobility  
scholarships**



**Study abroad  
opportunities**



**Global citizenship  
initiatives**



# Choose your path

Find the right credentials to launch your professional career and advance your academic studies. Choose the path that suits your goals from our multiple offerings: English Language Learning, certificates, diplomas, and post diplomas.

**Certificate:**

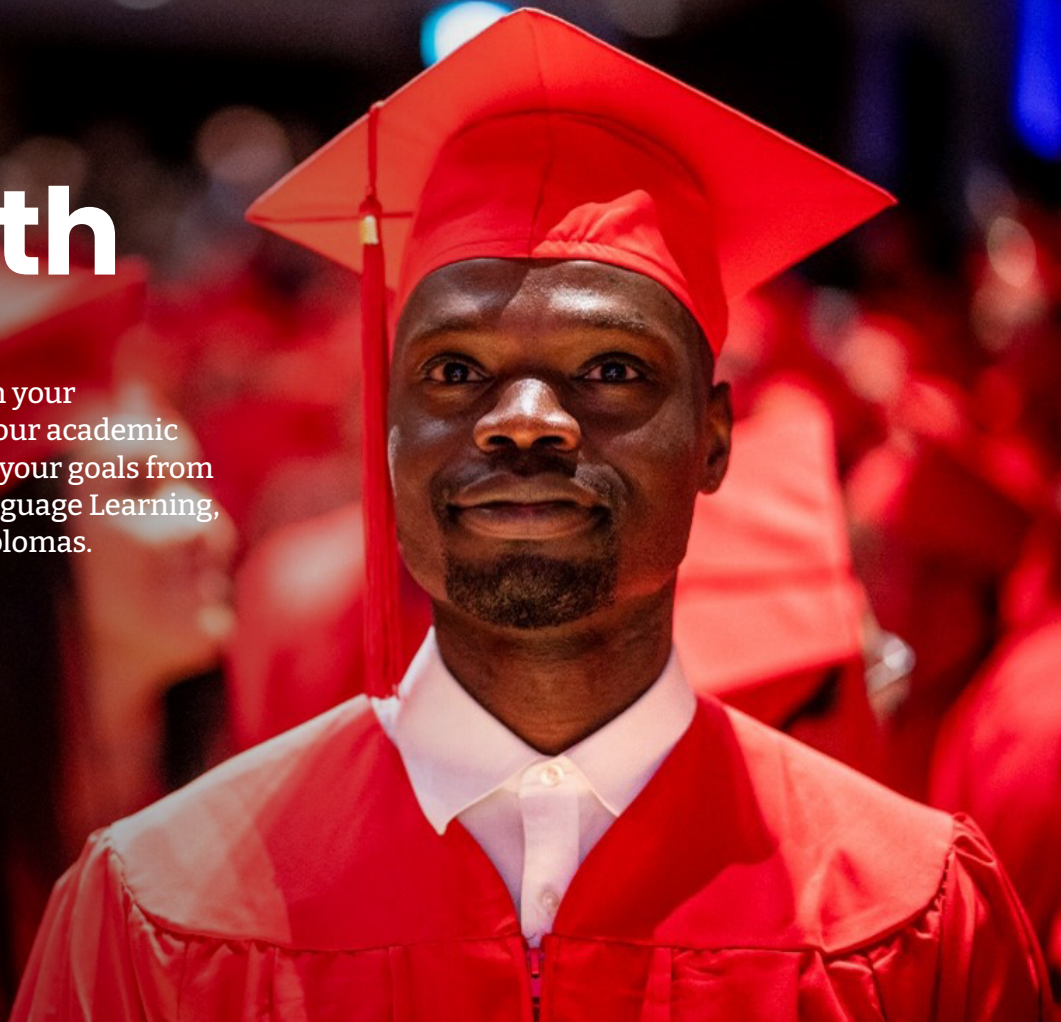
One-year program

**Diploma:**

Two-year program

**Post-diploma certificate:**

One-year program for diploma graduates



## From Bow Valley College to a university degree

With our many transfer agreements, you can start at Bow Valley College and transfer your credits to another post-secondary institution to continue your academic career.





# How to get started

To find everything you need to apply as an international student go to: [bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply)

## 1. Choose your program of study

Check seat availability before you submit an application.

## 2. Submit your online application

Refer to [bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply) to review the application deadline for international students and access the online application form.

## 3. Documents

Upload your official high school transcripts, official translations, and your proof of English language proficiency to [bvc.vasuniverse.com](https://bvc.vasuniverse.com)

## 4. Submit fees

Submit application fee. If accepted, reserve your seat with the non-refundable and non-transferable. confirmation fee.

## 5. Study permit application

Once you receive your letter of acceptance, you can apply for a study permit at your nearest Canadian Embassy or Consulate. Refer to [cic.gc.ca](https://cic.gc.ca).

## 6. Sign in to MyBVC

Check your MyBVC email to get important information. This is your communication tool with the College.

Do you need help applying to Bow Valley College? Do you need an agent to represent you? One of our Bow Valley College Regional Representatives or authorized recruitment agents can help.

Check: [bowvalleycollege.ca/schools/international-education/prospective-international-learners](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/schools/international-education/prospective-international-learners).

### Bow Valley College Regional Representatives

Bow Valley College has local representatives in South East Asia, South Asia, and Latin America to help you connect with the International Education department.

### Authorized recruitment agents

Do you need an agent to represent you? One of our authorized recruitment agents can help. We work with over 90 authorized recruitment agents from around the world.

We strongly recommend applying a minimum of 12 months in advance of the intended start of your studies (check below). It is very important to ensure that there is sufficient time for processing your study permit application before confirming your start date. For more information about how to apply, refer to: [bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply](https://bowvalleycollege.ca/Intl-Apply).

### Program start dates

Spring 2023 (May)

Fall 2023 (September)

Winter 2024 (January)

### Applications open

April 1, 2022

August 2, 2022

December 1, 2022



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