

General Information – Exchange Students coming to Carleton University January to April 2010

Carleton University www.carleton.ca

The Centre for Voluntary Sector Research and Development www.cvsrd.org

The School of Public Policy and Administration <http://www2.carleton.ca/sppa/>

Semester Dates

Class Semester: first day of classes begins on January 4th ends April 7th (for full schedule see below)

Exams April 8th to April 24th. Orientation for new students will take place after their arrival on campus.

Housing Options:

Residence: <http://www2.carleton.ca/housing/student-housing/>. If a student is interested in residence they should apply as soon as possible as residence fills quickly. There are a few rooms especially reserved for Intl exchange students in Leeds Campus.

Link to locate off site housing, renting a room is approximately \$400-\$600 and may or may not include utilities (gas, electricity, telephone) <http://www2.carleton.ca/housing/off-campus-housing/>. If students are searching for off campus housing I suggest they email me as I could give them a better idea of location for proximity to the University.

<http://ca.roommates.com>

As well... Local Paper (Ottawa Citizen) see 'for rent'

<http://ottawacitizen.oodle.com/>

Transportation:

Regular student bus pass is \$65.25/month. Please note this amount could increase if student is living outside the city core. http://www.octranspo.com/fares_menu.htm. Note also that taxis are very expensive (rates for taxi are \$2.10 to start plus about \$1.10 per kilometer) although this will increase due to high cost of petrol.

Books for courses

It should approximately cost around \$200 for books/reading packets for the courses.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

TOEFL for incoming Mexican students is required at 580 (paper based) or 250 (computer based).

Students coming from the USA do not need a TOEFL. www.toefl.org. Proof of their score level must accompany the Carleton application form.

University Health Insurance Plan

All international students including exchange students must enroll in UHIP. No waivers are given and enrolment in UHIP is mandatory. Cost for one term is \$252.00 (cdn)

<http://www2.carleton.ca/isso/uhip/>

Carleton International Student Services Office gives general information for incoming international students and might be of further assistance to your students <http://www2.carleton.ca/isso/>

Visas

Some foreign nationals are required to obtain a Temporary Residents Visa. To confirm if a visa is required by a specific country visit <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp>

Generally students who come to Canada for 6 months of study or less are not required to obtain a Study Permit <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp>. However, our International Office recommends that students obtain a Study Permit if they wish to seek employment on campus.

Note: Carleton Application Form due November 1st 2009

Once received Carleton University will send out letters of acceptance.

To see an online video of Carleton please visit:

<http://admissions.carleton.ca/media/cuvideo.html>

Tourism – General Information on the City

please visit: <http://www.ottawatourism.ca/>

The Rideau Canal located beside the University is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Ottawa is the northern gateway to a canal system stretching 202 km to Kingston, a route rich in heritage and recreational appeal. The scenic waterway can be explored by boat, car, cycling or hiking. There are also numerous museums, cafés, restaurants, pubs, and boutiques within the city.

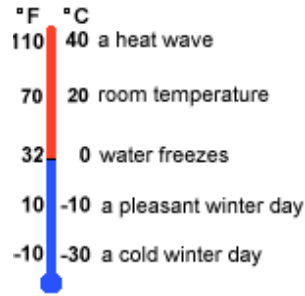
Ottawa on the Ontario side and Gatineau on the Quebec side has a total population of 1.05 million, about half are anglophone, 1/3 are francophone. The major industries in Ottawa reflect government and technology, reflecting its position as the seat of Canadian Government, and its moniker of "Silicon Valley North", home to many leading computer, telecommunications, and software companies.

The winters are typical of northern Canada, being both continuous and generally cold. Travellers should wear sweaters in fall, and appropriate warm coats and boots in the winter. Ottawa gets about 200 cm of snow each winter, with average snow depth of 20-25 cm over the winter (drifts and plowed heaps are higher!) the snow lasts from the end of November until mid-April.

Average daily temperatures are (however it is not unlikely to see extreme cold days of -25 celsius during periods in January and February)

Scale	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Celsius	-10	-9	-2	6	14	18	21	20	15	6	1	-7
Fahrenheit	14	16	28	43	57	64	70	69	59	43	34	19

An approximate guide to Celsius Temperatures is as follows:



Today's weather in Ottawa is available <http://www.theweathernetwork.com/weather/caon0512>

Winter Term 2010 (January 4 to April 28 2010)

January 4, 2010

- Winter term begins.
- Winter-term classes begin.

January 15, 2010

- Last day for registration for winter term courses.
- Last day to change courses or sections for winter term courses. January 31
- Last day for receipt of applications for review of final grades in fall-term courses.
- Last day for withdrawal from winter term and winter portion of fall/winter courses with full fee adjustment

February 1, 2010

- Last day for receipt of applications from potential Spring graduates.
- Last day for receipt of applications for admission to the Bachelor of Architectural Studies and the Bachelor of Social Work degree programs for the 2010-2011 fall/winter session.

February 12, 2010

- April examination schedule available online.

February 13-20 (may, include evenings and Saturdays), 2010

- Fall-term deferred examinations will be written.

February 15, 2010

- Family day, statutory holiday. University closed.

February 15-19, 2010

- Winter Break, classes suspended.

March 1, 2010

- Last day for receipt of applications to the Bachelor of Humanities, Bachelor of Industrial Design, Bachelor of Information Technology (Interactive Multimedia and Design, Bachelor of Journalism, and the Bachelor of Music degree program for the 2010-2011 fall/winter session.

March 12, 2010

- Last day to withdraw from fall/winter and winter-term courses.
- Last day to submit, to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities, Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for April examinations.

March 24, 2010

- Last day for tests or examinations in courses below the 4000-level before the final examination period (see Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of this Calendar).

April 1, 2010

- Last day for receipt of applications for admission to a program (except Bachelor of Architectural Studies, Bachelor of Humanities, Bachelor of Industrial Design, Bachelor of Information Technology (Interactive Multimedia and Design), Bachelor of Journalism, Bachelor of Music, and Bachelor of Social Work), for the 2010-2011 fall/winter session, from candidates whose documents originate outside Canada or the United States.

April 2, 2010

- Good Friday Statutory holiday. University closed.

April 5 (classes follow a Friday schedule), 2010

- Last day of fall/winter and winter-term classes.. Some lectures, laboratories, review tutorials, etc. may take place in Review Period until the end of Winter term on April 7.

April 6- 7, 2010

- Review Period. Some lectures, laboratories, review tutorials, etc. may take place.

April 7, 2010

- Winter term ends.
- Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.

April 8 - 24 (including Saturdays), 2010

- Final examinations in winter term and fall/winter courses will be held. It may be necessary to schedule examinations during the day for classes held in the evening and vice versa.

Example of syllabus from courses in 2009 (graduate level courses through the School of Public Policy and Administration <http://www2.carleton.ca/sppa/>)