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We are so happy to welcome you!

Student Orientation

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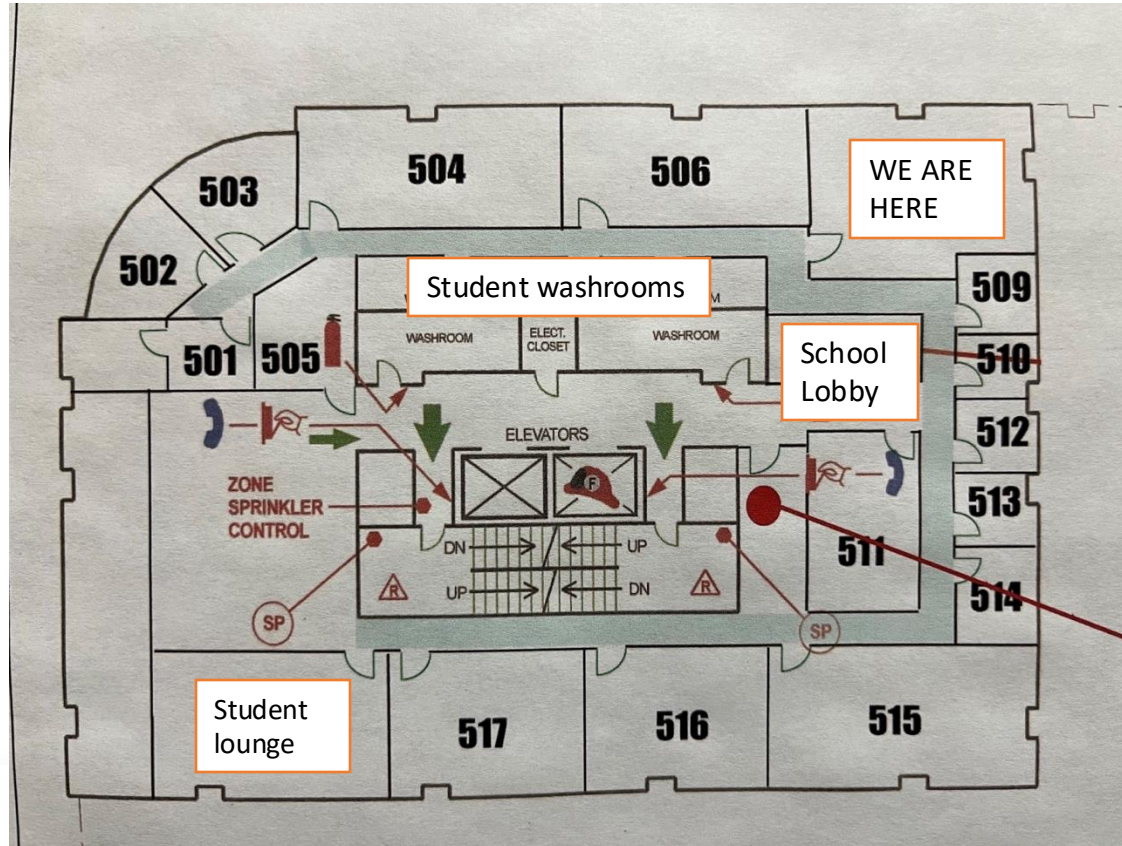


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EduGlobal College Floor Map

Student Lounge:

- Microwave
- Water Cooler
- Sink
- Seating
- Air hockey



Student Washrooms:

- Hand wash sinks
- Hand dryer
- Toilet stalls

Bathroom Etiquette

Don't's:

- Forget to flush!
- Forget your belongings.
Have a look before leaving the bathroom.



Source: <https://blog.ukbathrooms.com/bathroom-etiquette/>

Do's:

- Wash your hands!
- Keep the bathroom clean.
- Notify EGC staff for any bathroom issue.

Accessing Health Care in BC: Health Coverage

The screenshot displays the British Columbia government website's health coverage section. At the top, the BC logo and 'BRITISH COLUMBIA' are visible. A search bar prompts users to 'Enter a keyword or phrase to search'. Below this, the 'Popular Topics' section features three columns: 'MSP for B.C. Residents' (Medical Services Plan), 'PharmaCare for B.C. Residents' (prescription drugs), and 'Health Forms'. The 'Services and Information Topics' section includes 'About B.C.'s Health Care System' and 'Accessing health care'. On the right, an 'In Focus' article titled 'Vaccines providing better protection still available in B.C.' is dated Wednesday, January 10, 2024. A promotional graphic for a 'New self-screening program' to help detect cervical cancer is also present.

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Popular Topics

[MSP for B.C. Residents](#)
Medical Services Plan (MSP) enrolment is mandatory for all eligible residents and dependents, which now includes protections against extra billing.

[PharmaCare for B.C. Residents](#)
BC PharmaCare helps B.C. residents with the cost of eligible prescription drugs, and certain medical supplies and pharmacy services.

[Health Forms](#)
Find the entire collection of health-related forms here.

Services and Information Topics


[About B.C.'s Health Care System](#)
Understanding how the system works is the first step in receiving the information and services that you need.
[Explore Within](#)

[Accessing health care](#)
Find health care near you and learn how you can apply for financial aid when you need to travel for medical purposes.
[Explore Within](#)

In Focus

[Vaccines providing better protection still available in B.C.](#)
Public health officials in British Columbia continue to encourage everyone to book an appointment to receive their free influenza and updated COVID-19 vaccines now to protect themselves against severe illness and hospitalization.
Wednesday, January 10, 2024

[New self-screening program will help detect cervical cancer sooner](#)


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BC StrongerBC

British Columbia (BC) government Medical Service Plan (BC MSP)

BC MSP is a **mandatory** public health insurance for everyone who lives in BC for 6 months or longer. The plan covers the cost of basic medical care within Canada, including most physician and hospital services.

Important things to know

- All international students studying on a valid study permit for at least 6 months of the year in BC pay a health fee to contribute to and benefit from BC health coverage. Enrollment in the BC MSP is mandatory to all BC residents, including international students studying in BC.
- In order to be eligible for BC MSP coverage, international students are required to apply for the BC MSP as soon as they arrive in British Columbia.
- Before health-care coverage begins, there is a wait period consisting of the balance of the month that residency is established, plus two months.

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EduGlobal Community Guidelines: Prepare for the unexpected!

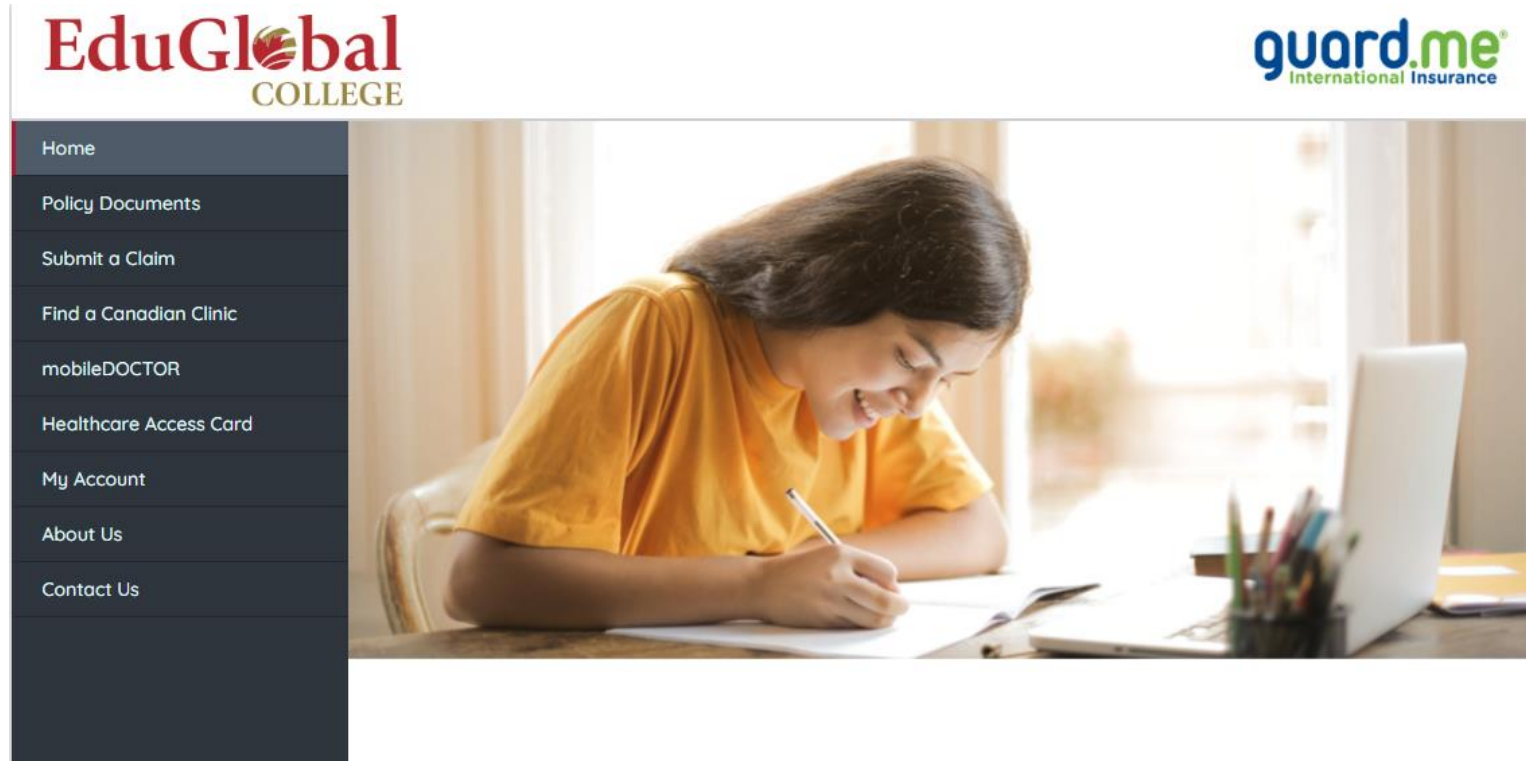
Cost of medical care in Canada can be very expensive. Medical Health Insurance is a common option to protect you from unexpected accident or/and sickness during your time in Canada. It is highly recommended that you consider purchasing health insurance - EGC offers GuardMe Medical Insurance at the rate of CAD \$17/ week.

Simple calculation: Medical Insurance for 3 months = 12 weeks X CAD \$17 = CAD \$204

Type of Service	Estimated cost	Covered by Medical Insurance
Seeing a doctor and a prescription (medication)	CAD \$150 / visit	✓
Visiting a hospital emergency department	CAD \$1,000 / visit	✓
Being hospitalized can cost you up to	CAD \$3,200 / day	✓
Getting your teeth assessed and cleaned	CAD \$300 / visit	✓

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City Scapes



Adjusting to Life in Canada: A Guide for International Students in British Columbia

Welcome and Overview

Living in Vancouver and New Westminister

Understanding Canadian Society and Cultural Norms

Key Canadian values, local customs and etiquette, navigating cultural differences.

Understanding

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Overview of the region, geography, climate, housing, and tenant rights.

Canadian English	Meaning
Eh	
Loonie and Twonie	
Washroom	
Pop	
Klick	
Double-double	
Tap	
Runners	
Get dinged	
Wind Chill	

Canadian English	Meaning
Eh	Used at end of sentence to make a question or confirmation
Loonie and Twonie	Canadian 1 and 2 dollar coins (a loon is a type of bird)
Washroom	Restroom / WC
Pop	Carbonated soft drink like Coca Cola, Sprite, Fanta
Klick	Slang term for kilometre
A grand	A way to say one thousand, usually refers to money
A tap	A water faucet in a bathroom or kitchen
Runners	Sports shoes; sneakers or trainers
Get dinged	Receive a fine for something such as a traffic violation
Wind Chill	Temperature you feel in the wind (used in winter)

Canadian Culture

Politeness is Key

Use “please”, “thank you” and “sorry”

Embrace Multiculturalism

Appreciate the diversity

Communication Styles

Indirect and subtle; watch for non-verbal cues

Personal Space & Privacy

Physical distance and avoid overly personal questions

Punctuality & Etiquette

Being on time and respecting cultural rules viewed as important

Westminster

Living in the Vancouver Area



Geography & Climate

Location: Canada's west coast, in British Columbia (BC)

- Surrounded by water
- Mountainous backdrop
- Urban and natural blend
- Mild climate

Accommodation

Options:

- Private rentals / apartments
- Homestays
- Shared housing
- Sublets and short-term rentals

Always check what is included

Mobile Phone Plan

Banking and Finances

Healthcare Essentials

Providers with student discounts:

Some larger Canadian banks:

Public Mobile

Lucky Mobile

BMO

CIBC

Chatr

Fido

Scotiabank

RBC

Koodo

Chatr

TD Bank

- Always ask for student discounts and plans
- Be careful about add-on charges
- Pay as you go is not common in Canada

- Student promotions
- Fees and charges
- Debit vs credit cards
- Cash vs debit

- Publicly funded healthcare system
- International students must have insurance. Private for first 3 months than public after 3 months
- Call 911 for medical emergencies (ambulance)
- Mental health support available at no cost



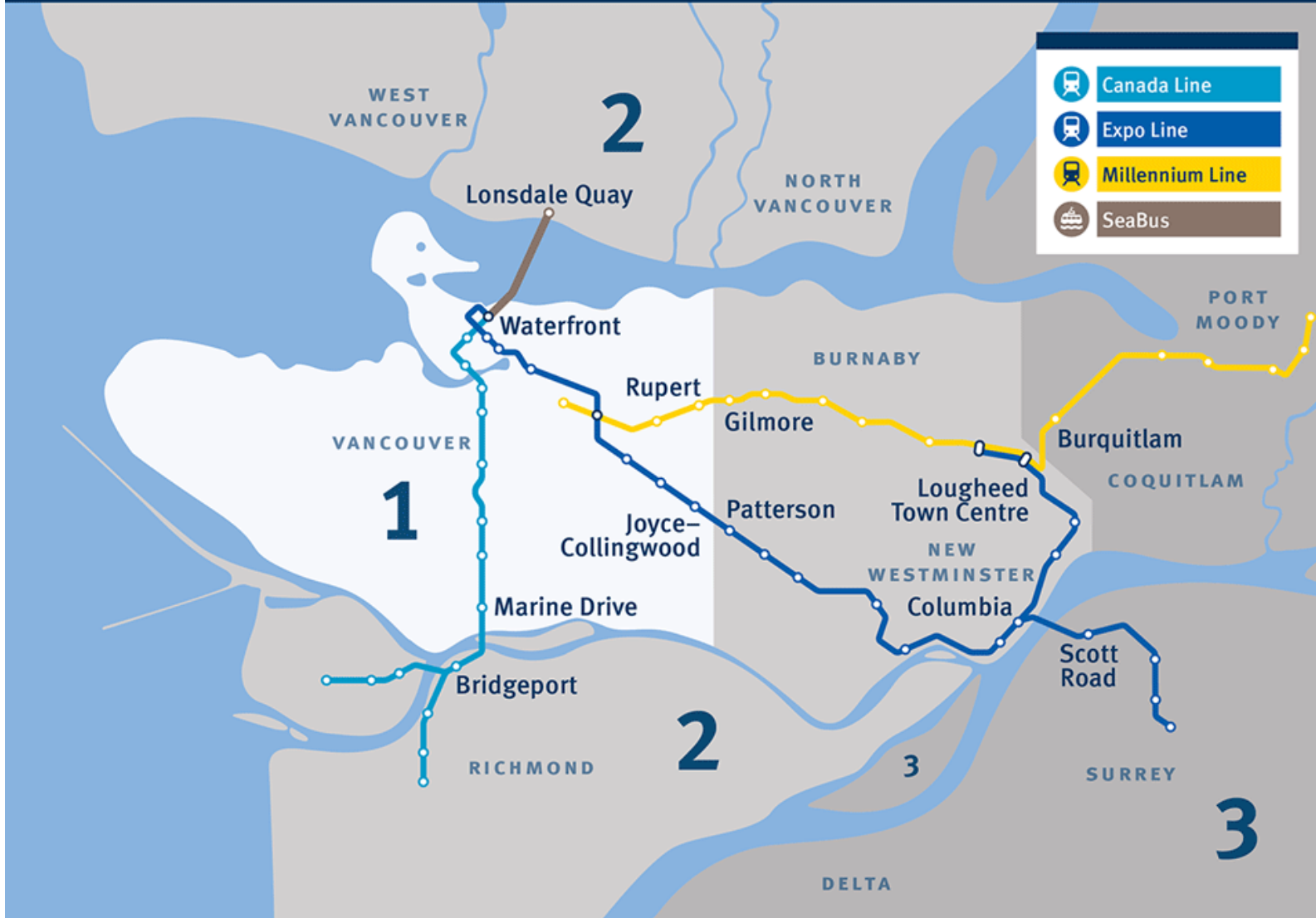
Public Transportation

Cycling

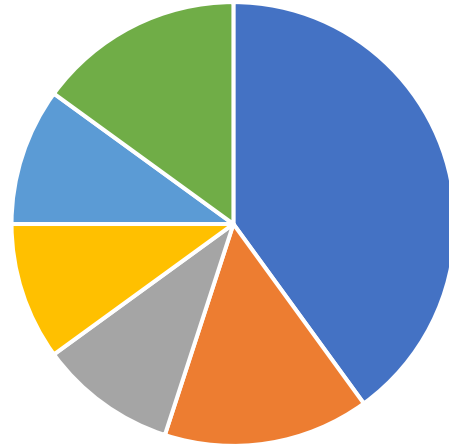
Taxis & Ride-Share



Fare Zone Map



Monthly Pass Fee:



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Visas & Immigration

- Maintaining status
- Work rights and hours of work

Employment







- SIN Number and payroll taxes
- Minimum wage and hours per week

Alcohol and Drug Laws

- Alcohol and Cannabis are legal for 19 years and older
- Be careful about consumption in public areas

Academic Integrity

- Plagiarism is forbidden
- Academic misconduct can lead to a failing grade or expulsion

Do's		Don'ts	
	Respect Cultural Diversity		Ignore Academic Integrity
	Follow Laws and Rules		Overlook Public Etiquette
	Engage with the Community		Assume Permission to Work
	Manage Finances Wisely		Disregard Safety Measures
	Take Health Seriously		Be Afraid to Ask for Help