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# Gardner College

## A Centre for Christian Studies

**Basic Information for People  
Wanting to Study in Canada at Gardner College**

*At Gardner College it's the little things that matter...  
now is the time, this is the place!!*



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## **WHY YOU SHOULD CHOOSE GARDNER COLLEGE, A Centre for Christian Studies?**

Gardner offers quality education with a degree program culminating in a Bachelor of theology Degree with major areas of concentration in Pastoral Ministry, or Christian Education. The B Th. Degree has been recognized by several seminaries in North America.

For those not desiring a four-year Bachelor of Theology degree, Gardner also offers a variety of three-year Bachelor of Religious Education programs, two-year diploma programs and one year certificate program,

For those pursuing a liberal art degree, Gardner has a cooperative arrangement with Augustana University College, Warner Pacific College, and Azua Pacific University so that students attending Gardner can work toward the completion of a B.A. or B.SC..

Gardner offers a supportive community which provides an excellent opportunity for students to make the most out of their transition year of beginning their studies while away from their home support.

Gardner College is the Canadian College of the Church of God (Anderson, Indiana) thus sharing a rich heritage with and receiving support from this heritage with and receiving support from this holiness tradition Church. Our students come from many faith backgrounds.

## **ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS**

Canadians are expected to meet the equivalent of the admission requirements for students from within Canada. Applicants from outside Canada are to provide evidence of their academic achievement for evaluation. Evidence of all academic progress in school (high school and post-secondary) since the ninth year of education is to be supplied by the applicant.

Persons seeking entrance to Gardner College from countries in which English are not the primary language must enroll in ESC (English as a Second Language) classes available at the Camrose Composite High School at market cost. The Camrose Composite High School is within walking distance of the college.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Foreign students wishing to enroll for studies at Gardner College should forward a copy of their transcripts and educational documents. There is a \$50.00 evaluation fee to be sent along with these documents. That fee is not refundable, but will be applied to the College fees of applicants accepted for study.

The Admissions Committee will formally consider an Application, only when the above procedure has been completed and the following documents have all been received. The application deadline is: June 30th.

- A completed Application Form and the accompanying fee;
- A completed Medical Form,
- Three completed Reference Forms;
- A completed Application for residence Form,

A signed Lifestyle Agreement Form;  
A letter of recommendation from the applicant's national church leadership

## **COURSE SELECTION**

Following your initial application, Gardner will supply you with information on course selection. When you arrive, a faculty advisor will help you to achieve your degree or diploma goal.

## **TUITION AND FEES**

The tuition for 2008 - 2009 is \$4,500.00, and the board fee is \$4,840.00. It is estimated that books will cost approximately \$1,000.00. There are additional fees of \$740.00 making a total estimated cost for the year of \$11,080.00.

**ALL FEES ARE TO BE PAID IN CANADIAN CURRENCY.**

## **TUITION DEPOSIT**

A tuition deposit of \$1,000.00 is required by the College within six weeks of the date the Acceptance Letter. If circumstances should prevent the student from coming, the deposit will be refunded upon verification from the Canadian Immigration Department that the student was unable to come to Canada to study.

## **IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS**

Contact the Canadian High Commissioner, the Canadian Embassy or the Canadian Consulate in your country. If there is not one in your country, write to the closest one for instructions. All international students studying in Canada require a STUDENT VISA and under certain circumstances they may require a VISA. In order to obtain the necessary documents, students must present the following to Canadian immigration Authorities in their home country:

1. A valid passport (United States citizens or permanent residents do not require a passport);
2. An official letter of acceptance from Gardner College;
3. Proof of sufficient financial support to maintain yourself (and your family 0- if applicable) while you are in Canada;
4. Proof of good character;
5. You may also be asked to have a medical examination by a doctor designated by the Canadian Immigration authorities, in your home country, to perform such an examination.

## **IN ADDITION PLEASE NOTE:**

Immigration procedures can be lengthy - allow at least 3-4 months for issuance of Student Authorization or a Student VISA.

You Cannot apply for Student Authorization from within Canada.

Your Student Authorization permits you to attend only the Institution listed.  
You cannot receive authorization from one institution and then attend another.  
Any change in institution or program of study must be approved by the Canadian immigration Authorities before you commence classes at the new institutions.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Accommodations are available on campus to students. There are no accommodations for family members. Foreign students wishing to bring family members may find accommodations in the City of Camrose.

## **TRAVEL TO AND FROM CANADA**

The successful applicant must provide their own expenses to Canada (round trip) and the return ticket is to be kept in the safe at the College.

## **ALBERTA HEALTH CARE INSURANCE**

All persons who will be residents in Alberta for 12 months or longer are entitled to government run medical insurance and are strongly advised to register. Forms for this purpose will be made available to the student through the college. For immediate coverage, application forms must be completed and returned within 90 days of your arrival in Alberta. If this requirement is not met, a three month waiting period, without benefits, will be enforced.

You must submit a copy of your Student Authorization with your application to verify your Care for expenses incurred.

A card with your registration number will be mailed to you and should be carried at all times. This number enables the physician's office to charge Alberta Health Care for expenses incurred.

This insurance number will usually pay for the actual cost of most medical services received from a doctor. It does not cover medicines, prescriptions, ambulances, or dental work.

Basic hospital expenses, which can run up to \$150.00 or more per day, are covered by Alberta health Care.

## **EMPLOYMENT REGULATIONS**

Foreign students are not allowed to work in Canada without authorization from the Canada Employment Commission. Foreign students are eligible to work on Campus if paid through the Student Aid Fund.