

IntBaltCan

International Baltic Summer School in Canadian Studies: Rethinking Canada

Latvia
Riga, Ventspils
10 July – 17 July, 2018

A joint initiative of the Centre for Applied Linguistics at the University of Latvia, the Latvian Association for Canadian studies and Ventspils University College

We welcome students interested in Canadian studies to participate in the first International Baltic Summer School in Canadian studies which introduces major themes and events of Canadian history by exploring the socio-political domain and examining literary texts and visual and popular culture of Canada. The Summer school adopts a multi-disciplinary approach and is organized into four modules:

Socio-political dimensions of Canadian identity

Economic dimensions of Canadian identity

Historical dimensions of Canadian identity

Cultural dimensions of Canadian identity

Lectures and seminars are devised to address the following:

- The development of French Canada since the establishment of French-Canadian community in Canada at the beginning of the XVIIth century to the present
- Paradiplomacy of Canadian Provinces (including Quebec)
- Canadian Federalism
- Canada and its Northern Identity
- Canada in the Arctic
- Political Economy of EU Trade Deals - A Canadian Model
- Canadian Nation and the Challenge of the “American Other”
- Managing Diversity: Multiculturalism and the National Identity
- Myths and Symbols as Expressions of National Identity
- Contemporary Indigenous art and writing
- Material Visuality in Canadian Literature
- The multicultural city in 21st century Canadian novels
- La francophonie et le rôle du Canada
- Spécificité de la langue française au Canada
- Les pierres fondamentales de la littérature francophone du Canada
- La chanson francophone du Canada
- Le folklore narratif du Québec dans l’art pictural de Jean-Claude Dupont

- Thèmes récurrents de la vie rurale de francocanadiens dans « Nos Canadiens d'autrefois » de J.-E. Massicotte
- L'art pictural du Québec sous le prisme historique dès la période de la Nouvelle-France à la modernité
- Images visuelles de Robert Lepage

The module 'Cultural dimensions of Canadian Identity' is delivered in English and French.

We offer:

- ❖ intensive Canadian studies course
- ❖ Canadian movie nights
- ❖ sightseeing in Riga
- ❖ sightseeing in Ventspils

The attendees, having successfully completed the course, are awarded **4 Latvian credits (6 ECTS)**.

Summer school applicants have to submit by 10.04.2018:

- ✓ Curriculum Vitae;
- ✓ letter of motivation (a personal statement);
- ✓ language proficiency statement (*English/French*)

The documents should be sent electronically to: margarita.spirida@lu.lv

On being approved for participation in the summer schools, the applicants will be informed of payment details.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The tuition fee - covers Summer school classes and study materials and is set at **160EUR**

The study fee **does not cover** accommodation, meals, transfer Riga-Ventspils-Riga.

ACCOMMODATION

Summer school attendees are accommodated at

- the University of Latvia Dormitories in Riga (detailed information is available on the website of the University of Latvia <https://www.lu.lv/eng/istudents/accommodation/>):

Hostel (Riga, Reznas street 10C):

a single bed (common kitchen area and a shared bathroom):

- in a triple room € 5.00 per night
- in a double room € 8.00 per night

- and Ventspils University College Dormitories in Ventspils;

The hostel consists of blocks – there are two rooms, one shower and a toilet in every block. There is furniture in every room: a wardrobe, a bookshelf, chairs, a table and of course a bed. It is possible to connect to the wireless Internet as well as to use a cable. There is a kitchen for every five blocks and there is a café on the 6th floor.

- a single bed in a block with four other tenants, two per each room of the block is € 9.00 per night

TRANSFER RIGA-VENTSPILS-RIGA

The fare depends on the number of attendees, but it is about 25EUR on average. As soon as the application is closed, the information on the fare and payment details will be posted on our site.

INFORMATION

Information on the summer school, fees, programme, application procedure is available at <https://www.valodas.lu.lv/eng/>

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