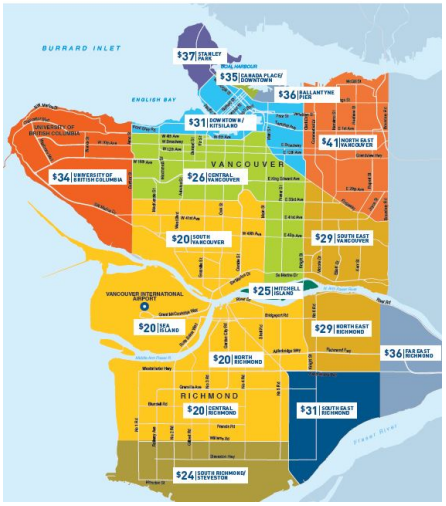
General Information

PASSPORTS REQUIRED: For those traveling from outside the Canadian border, you will be required to present a passport to a customs officer. This is required documentation for entry into Canada. Don't forget to check your passport for accurate information and expiration date.

GETTING TO VANCOUVER: For airport and travel information visit http://www.yvr.ca/.
The Vancouver International Airport is approximately 13 Km (8 miles) to the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre Hotel. Use **YVR** code when you are searching your flights.

AIRPORT GROUND TRANSPORTATION: Canada Line provides rapid rail service linking Downtown, Richmond and the Vancouver International Airport (YVR). Trains leave every four minutes from Vancouver, and every seven minutes from Richmond and YVR. A one-way trip from YVR to Downtown Vancouver takes only 25 minutes on a two zone fare of $3.75, plus the $5.00 Canada Line YVR AddFare. Check maps, schedules and all zone fares at www.thecanadaline.ca or call the Vancouver public transit authority TransLink at 604-953-3333. Taxis, including wheelchair accessible vehicles, are available at taxi stands located on **Level 2 of the Domestic and International Arrivals Area.** All taxis who pick up passengers from the airport are fully licensed. **Zone fares** only apply from Vancouver International Airport (including the South Terminal) to the specified zones. **Metered rates** apply on return trips to YVR and to areas outside of the zones. Rates do not include gratuities. The hotel is located in Central Vancouver**. TRANSLINK BUS:** Catch bus #98 B-line "Richmond Centre" at Burrard Station to the Airport Station, then transfer to bus #424 "Airport". This bus will take you to the airport. Check schedules for times, call TransLink at 604-953-3333 or visit their website at www.translink.bc.ca. Approximate travel time is 60 minutes.



BANKING & CURRENCY EXCHANGE: It is recommended that visitors use Canadian currency when traveling within Canada. Visitors can exchange currency at Canadian chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, or at offices of foreign exchange brokers, but it is advised to have local currency on hand prior to arriving. For Banking and Currency Exchange information at the airport visit http://www.yvr.ca/en/shopping-dining-services/Banking-Currency-Exchange.aspx. Some hotels, merchants, restaurants and suppliers accept US or other foreign currency at a pre-determined rate, which may differ from the daily rate posted by financial institutions. For Banking

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- Canadian one dollar coin ("loonie") ($1.00) = 100 cents
- Canadian two dollar coin ("toonie") ($2.00) = 200 cents
- Notes are in denominations of $1000, $100, $50, $20, $10, $5
- Coins are in denominations of $2, $1, $0.50, $0.25, $0.10, $0.05, $0.01

➢ **Traveler's Cheques:** Traveler's cheques in Canadian dollars are the safest and most convenient way to carry money. They are widely accepted and can be cashed at banks or foreign exchange brokers. Identification may be required when cashing traveler's cheques.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT: This Institute is designed for adult professional learners. IRRTO does not permit the attendance of children under 18 years of age in sessions. The only exceptions to this are nursing infants. If an infant would begin to fuss or cry, as a courtesy to others, it is expected that the parent will take the infant out of the Institute session right away until the child is quiet again. Due to fire regulations, strollers cannot block doors or be positioned near Fire Exits or in the main aisles of the session rooms.