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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

1988 - The year VanWest College was established in Vancouver

2003 - The year that VanWest Vancouver opened its new campus on Nelson Street

10 - The number of years Norma Axford-Couch, our Managing Director, has been with VanWest College

2005 - The year VanWest College opened in Kelowna

9 - The average number of years our teachers have been with VanWest

Happy 20th Anniversary VanWest!

VanWest College turns 20 years old this year! Help us celebrate by enrolling your students with our anniversary promotion: the Registration Fee is only \$20 until March 31st!

VanWest Kelowna Update

VanWest Kelowna is growing! Currently, our Kelowna campus has nearly 40 students from countries such as Venezuela, Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, Japan and Mexico. Class sizes at VanWest Kelowna average 5 to 8 students per group. VanWest Kelowna continues to offer a variety of activities; a recent highlight included a weekend ski trip with 25 students to Big White ski resort.

Volunteering in Kelowna

Students in Kelowna have many great opportunities to practice their English and meet local people by doing after school volunteer work. Ayako, from Japan, just passed her ski instructor course and is currently volunteering at Mt. Baldy on weekends.

New Computers

VanWest Vancouver is excited to announce that its computer lab has all brand new, high speed, flat screen computers. All computers are equipped with webcams and headsets. Wireless internet is available throughout the school.



Online Learning

Do you have clients who want to improve their English faster, upgrade their English skills before arriving in Canada, or maintain their English after returning home? If so, VanWest's

online learning program is ideal for them. This program is complementary to students' classes and includes all levels of General English, reading, writing, listening, speaking, Business English, hospitality and IELTS. To access this program, go to:

<http://vanwest.intuto.com>.

For a 2 hour FREE trial code e-mail:

Jeanette jeanette@vanwest.com or

Andrew andrew@vanwest.com.

Business Law

A group of Brazilian lawyers recently completed VanWest's two week specialized Business Law program under the instruction of a practicing lawyer with much experience and expertise. The course included excursions to the

law courts, a meeting with a judge and a visit to a Vancouver law firm. Due to great success and high interest in this unique professional program, we will be offering it again in Spring, Fall and Winter sessions. Contact VanWest for details.

Business English plus Internship at VanWest College Vancouver

Professional internships offer valuable career experience for VanWest students.

Iris, from Switzerland, completed an internship as Marketing Coordinator for an Events Management company. Iris recently emailed VanWest to tell us more about her internship experience. "I had to meet the clients, assess their needs, conduct market research into that particular industry, come up with website layout ideas and meet with various suppliers. VanWest College



gave me a lot of support before and during my internship.

With the Business English Course (BEC) I learned new and useful vocabulary and how to write an article. In addition, I was taught how to write a professional application and how an English job interview works. I learned so much...".

Two more of our students recently successfully completed their internships and gave

presentations to our Business English class. Beat, from Switzerland, completed his internship in the Human Resources department of a large North American company and Svetlana, from Russia, successfully completed hers with a local architectural firm.

VanWest College is now offering both paid and unpaid internship placements. Fields such as Information Technology, Marketing, Sales, Human Resources and Hospitality are most popular.

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English Skills for Future Success



Upcoming Programs

Cambridge Test Preparation

PET	Monthly start	
FCE	March 17	12 weeks
CAE	March 17	12 weeks

Teaching English as a Foreign Language Certification

TEFL	April 7	4 weeks
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Internship (Paid and Unpaid)

Monthly start
Requirement: Level 4 (app. TOEIC 700) + Business English

Business Law

Contact Andrew or Jeanette for starting dates

Online Learning - <http://vanwest.intuto.com>

Start anytime

Summer Youth Program

Start every week from July 7 to August 15 in Vancouver
Start every week from June 30 to August 22 in Kelowna

Early bird discount: Register before June 1st and save \$200 on our Summer Youth Program!