

General Support and Information

1. Housing and Residence Options

Page Title: *Student Housing Resources*

Finding safe, comfortable, and affordable housing is an important part of your student experience at Academy of Learning College – Vancouver Broadway. While the College does not operate on-campus residences, our Student Services team provides resources and guidance to help you locate suitable accommodation near campus.

Recommended resources:

- Rentals.ca – Vancouver Listings
- [Student.com – Vancouver Student Housing](#)
- [Craigslist – Vancouver Housing](#)

Tips for Safe Housing:

- Always visit or view listings virtually before signing a lease.
- Confirm rental agreements in writing and avoid cash deposits.
- Ask about proximity to public transit and essential services.

Assistance:

Our admissions can help review housing listings or connect you with trusted local rental partners. Contact: **AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com**

2. Health, Safety, Mental Health, and Addiction/Overdose Supports

Your Safety and Well-Being Matter to Us

AOLC-VAN is committed to maintaining a safe, supportive, and healthy learning environment for every student.

On-Campus Safety Supports

- Trained staff available for first aid and emergency response.
- Free Naloxone kits available at the reception desk.
- Staff certified in Naloxone administration and emergency procedures.

Local Health Services:

- Vancouver Coastal Health – Community Health Clinics
- Walk-in Clinics near Broadway campus (e.g., Broadway Plaza Medical, City Medical Clinic)
- [HealthLink BC \(811\)](#) – Free 24/7 health advice

Mental Health and Crisis Support:

- [Here2Talk](#) – Free, confidential 24/7 counselling for post-secondary students
- Crisis Centre BC – 1-800-784-2433
- [Foundry BC](#) – Mental health, substance use, and wellness services for youth and young adults

Addiction and Overdose Support:

- Free **Naloxone kits** are available on campus at the reception desk.
- Staff are **Naloxone-trained** and can assist in emergencies.
- Learn more at: [Toward the Heart – Take Home Naloxone](#)

Campus Safety:

- We follow all government health and safety guidelines.
- Students receive orientation on emergency procedures, personal safety, and respectful campus conduct.

3. Daily Life Information

Studying in Vancouver offers access to a vibrant, diverse, and welcoming community.

Transportation:

- [TransLink](#) operates buses, SkyTrain, and SeaBus services throughout Metro Vancouver.
- Compass Cards are available at SkyTrain stations and local retailers.

Childcare:

- [City of Vancouver Childcare Resource & Referral](#)
- Licensed daycares and family care centers are available near the Broadway corridor.

Banking:

- Major banks (RBC, TD, Scotiabank, CIBC) are within walking distance of the campus.
- International students can open accounts using their study permit and passport.

Communications:

- Major mobile providers: Rogers, TELUS, Bell, Freedom Mobile.
- Affordable SIM cards available at London Drugs, Best Buy, and 7-Eleven.

Student Support:

For personalized assistance, contact our Student Services office at **AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com** or visit the front desk Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM.

4. Financial Assistance, Scholarships & Awards

Invest in Your Future with Confidence

AOLC-VAN offers a variety of financial assistance options to help students manage tuition and living expenses.

Financial Aid Options:

- *Payment Plans* – Flexible installment options to spread tuition costs over the term.
- *Scholarships and Bursaries* – Awarded based on academic achievement, financial need, or community involvement.
- *Government Assistance* – Students may apply for loans through [StudentAid BC](#).

Eligibility:

- Students must be enrolled in an approved full-time or part-time program.
- Applicants must maintain satisfactory academic standing.

How to Apply:

1. Review eligibility criteria on our Financial Aid page.
2. Complete a Financial Aid Application form available from Student Services.
3. Submit documents before the start of your program.

Questions? Contact **AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com** or visit the Admissions Office for assistance.

5. Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) Eligibility

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Academy of Learning College – Vancouver Broadway (AOLC-VAN) is a **Designated Learning Institution (DLI)**.

No program offered by AOLC-VAN are eligible for the federal Post-Graduation Work Permit Program (PGWPP).

Students should confirm their individual program’s eligibility directly with **Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)** before enrolment.

[IRCC – Post-Graduation Work Permit Program Eligibility](#)

Questions? Contact **AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com**

6. Tenancy Rights

Your Tenancy Rights in British Columbia

Students renting in BC are protected by the **Residential Tenancy Act (RTA)**. It sets out tenant rights and landlord obligations regarding leases, repairs, privacy, and eviction.

Learn More and Get Help:

- [Residential Tenancy Branch – Tenant Rights](#)
- [Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre \(TRAC\)](#)

Our Student Services staff can answer basic questions or help you connect with these agencies: **AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com**

7. International Student Orientation

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AOLC-VAN welcomes new international students with an orientation program to help you adjust academically and personally.

Orientation Covers:

- Campus tour and safety briefing
- Academic expectations and study tips
- Health and wellness resources (Naloxone training & mental-health supports)
- Housing guidance and tenancy rights
- Transportation, banking and daily-life setup
- Working while studying and community integration

Schedule: Held one week before each program starts and repeated in Week 1.

Contact: AdmissionsNV@aolvancouver.com

8. Public Health / COVID-19 Notice

Public Health Notice

The previous COVID-19 protocol (2020) has been retired. AOLC-VAN now follows current guidance from provincial health authorities.

For the latest updates, see [BC Centre for Disease Control – COVID-19 Information](#).

General campus safety procedures – first aid response, incident reporting, and emergency drills – are reviewed at orientation and posted at reception.