

# TEACHABLE MOMENTS AT EVERY TURN





## CANADA'S #1 DESTINATION FOR STUDENTS

More student groups visit Ottawa each year than any other Canadian city. It's little wonder. For teachers, the Capital offers a wealth of national historic sites, museums and monuments that immerse students in the story of our country's past, present and future—with many of them concentrated in the city's safe and walkable downtown core. For students, Ottawa offers a diverse range of ways to blow off a little steam—from cycling on our vast network of paved pathways, to adventure experiences and skating on the world's largest rink, to festivals, sports and entertainment. For tour operators, the Capital is an experienced host city, with accommodations, hospitality and services on the ground directly geared to student groups.



## MATCH YOUR VISIT TO YOUR CURRICULUM

If you're teaching students about government and democracy, take them behind the scenes at the Parliament Buildings and Supreme Court of Canada. For Canadian history, the choices are unparalleled, thanks to national museums devoted to just about every facet of Canada's human, technological and natural history. Art teachers always include the National Gallery of Canada on their itineraries. The Capital is home to numerous performing arts venues for student bands and choirs looking for a place to play. And if you're looking for opportunities for students to practice a second language, Ottawa is one of the country's most bilingual cities.





## FALL

Explore the Capital against the dramatic backdrop of autumn colours, visit the Canadian War Museum and attend national Remembrance ceremonies during November.

## WINTER

Take a group skate on the Rideau Canal—a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is transformed into the world’s largest skateway—and revel in the spirit of Winterlude, North America’s greatest celebration of winter.

# REASON TO VISIT IN ANY SEASON

**Ottawa is a year 'round destination, offering special reasons to visit throughout the seasons.**

## SPRING

Take a boat tour on the Ottawa River, explore the Capital by bike, and experience springtime festivals and celebrations.

## SUMMER

Enjoy the full Capital experience on Parliament Hill, including the Changing of the Guard ceremony and the Sound & Light Show.



# STUDENT-READY EXPERIENCES



## CLIMB THE HILL

See the inner workings of Canadian government by touring Parliament Hill.



## CONFLICT STUDIES

The Canadian War Museum takes you to the historic front lines of human conflict.



## THE PAST IS PRESENT

The Canadian Museum of History is where we learn from and about the past.



## WHAT'S THE VERDICT?

Visit the Supreme Court of Canada and learn about its role in our democracy.



## SHOW ME THE MONEY

Watch as money is made right before your eyes at the Royal Canadian Mint.



## PUSH PEDALS

Take a cycling tour on the Capital's extensive network of cycling paths.



## GET BACK TO NATURE

See dinosaurs, diamonds and a giant blue whale at the Canadian Museum of Nature.



## WALK THE TALK

Students learn on walks of discovery in the Capital's historic core.

# STUDENT-READY EXPERIENCES



## A BRUSH WITH GENIUSES

See works by Canada's best artists & world masters at the National Gallery of Canada.



## A FIRST!

Visit Aboriginal Experiences, a First Nations village on an island below Parliament Hill.



## WHO'S GAME?

Hockey is Canada's game and the Senators are Ottawa's team. Come get in the game!



## LAND HO!

See the Capital from the deck of a sightseeing boat cruise on the Rideau Canal or Ottawa River.



## UP & AWAY!

See Canada's high flying heritage at the Canada Aviation and Space Museum.



## WHAT A RUSH!

Experience thrilling white water rafting on the mighty Ottawa River—even minutes from downtown!



## EXPERIMENTAL EXPERIENCE

The Canada Science and Technology Museum is a must-do hands-on experience!





# TIPS FOR STUDENT TRIPS

## CURRICULUM IN THE CITY

Many national museums, attractions and experiences available in Ottawa offer extended and curriculum-based programs from July until the end of April each year.

## MANY PLACES TO PERFORM

Ottawa offers student bands and choirs numerous performance venues, from stunning civic spaces, to museums and galleries, theatres, heritage churches—and the National Arts Centre!

## PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Ottawa Tourism assists student tour operators with information and resources for planning their group visit—including our Destination Planners Guide, maps, posters, images and more. Contact us at [traveltrade@ottawatourism.ca](mailto:traveltrade@ottawatourism.ca)

Travelling from the US? Students under the age of 19 travelling with a school group only need to present a birth certificate (original or copy), Consular Report of Birth Abroad, or naturalization certificate when crossing the border by land or sea.

## WE ARE HERE

Ottawa is located in Eastern Ontario, just a 2-hour drive from Montreal, 5 hours from Toronto, and is readily accessible by motor coach, rail and air.



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