

RANCHSTAY PROGRAM 2019 APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

VANCOUVER



STUDENT INFORMATION

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| Student number (ILSC use only) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female | |
| First name | |
| Middle name(s) | |
| Last name | |
| Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) | |
| First language | |
| Nationality | |
| Address: Street | |
| City | State/Province |
| Country | Postal Code |
| Telephone number | |
| Mobile number | |
| Email | |
| Emergency contact name | |
| Emergency contact telephone | |

STUDY INFORMATION

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| CLASS START DATE (MM/DD/YY) | PLACEMENT START DATE (MM/DD/YY) |
| What is your riding experience? <input type="checkbox"/> Experienced rider <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner rider <input type="checkbox"/> No riding experience at all | |
| Please select your total program length (length includes 50% study at ILSC and 50% Ranchstay) <input type="checkbox"/> 8 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 10 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 12 weeks | |
| What is your main motivation for wanting to participate in our Ranchstay Program? | |
| Do you have any allergies? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please specify | Do you have any medical condition(s) that could restrict your riding ability, or require special accessibility considerations or support? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain the condition(s) and what type of support may be needed: |
| Do you require a specific diet (e.g. vegetarian)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please specify | |
| Do you take daily medication? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please specify | |
| Have you had any medical/physiological or social issues which may affect your ability to complete the program? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |

RANCHSTAY PROGRAM POLICIES & STUDENT AGREEMENT

- The placements are volunteer, unpaid and intended for language acquisition, not for vocational or career skills training.
- Students should be at least 18 years of age or older to participate in the Ranchstay Program; however, students younger than 18 may be approved to participate, on a case by case basis, after their application is reviewed by the Ranch owner.
- Students must attend a minimum of 80% of their academic classes and successfully complete the academic component.
- Students can only start the ranchstay portion of their program if they reach the minimum required English language level or Intermediate 2 or higher. If you do not know your current language level and how many sessions of classes you will need to reach the required level, please complete the ILSC Language Assessment Test. For more information please contact your agency.
- I accept that I may be required to enrol in additional classes or cancel my Ranchstay Program if I do not meet the required language level or if I do not meet my student responsibilities.
- I accept that I am also responsible for any other miscellaneous program-related costs including but not limited to additional transportation, private lessons or changes to the original registration.
- I understand that ILSC may use information on this form and during my ranchstay for marketing purposes. I hereby give permission for ILSC to use my testimonials, reports, name, video and photograph for such purposes.
- I will maintain communication with my program coordinator by submitting the required midterm and final reports in order to obtain my certificate of completion.
- I confirm that the information I have given in this application is correct, otherwise my program or placement may be changed or delayed.
- I accept that withdrawal from the Ranchstay program before classes begin will result in a full refund minus the \$200 administration fee, and a withdrawal after classes begin will result in a full credit to tuition (no cash refund) minus the \$200 administration fee. Within six weeks of the placement start date, ILSC will not refund or credit any program fees.

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| STUDENT: I have read, understand and agree to the ILSC Ranchstay Program Policies & Student Agreement. | AGENT: I confirm that I have carefully reviewed this application with my client and will attach all documents to this registration. |
| Student signature | Agent signature |
| Date (MM/DD/YY) | Date (MM/DD/YY) |

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MESSAGE FROM THE RANCH OWNER

My name is Lea Thorson and I am the owner of Dreamscape Ranch. The ranch is my dream home, a place in the country with my horses, dogs, cats and chickens.

I understand that you are interested in spending some time with us here at the ranch. Because of the limited space available, I want to make sure that Dreamscape is the right place for you. Please answer the following questions truthfully and in your own words (don't worry about your English) so that I can get to know you a little more.

Is staying at our Ranch right for you? Here is an example of a typical day at the ranch in the summer:

You feed and check the animals (horses and chickens) at 7:30 am, sometimes earlier, when it is really hot, then prepare and have your own breakfast (food provided). After breakfast and cleaning up the dishes, you go pick up the horse manure (horse poop) in all the paddocks and do other chores in and around the ranch. You then have lunch (making your own lunch—food provided). In the early afternoon we usually do other ranch chores and some house work as well. After that, most of the time, it is your free time or time to spend with horses such as brushing them, doing ground work, riding in the arena or round pen or riding out on a guided trail ride. If you wish you can do other things as well such as walking, hiking or any form of exercise or just relax.

At 5 pm you check and feed the horses and chickens again and will come inside and have dinner. Every student has their rotating chores that have to be done everyday such as helping with dinner preparation, putting leftovers away, wash and dry dishes, tidy up the surfaces and cleaning the bathroom. All the students help with all the work required to run a horse ranch. After dinner is free time to do whatever you wish. For the advanced riders you may have a chance to play with horses in the round pen or the arena. All riding is weather dependent. Occasionally we go into town for a movie or other activities. There activities are not mandatory—only people willing to participate do so. Any costs for outside activities are the student's responsibility.

We want your stay at Dreamscape Ranch to be a great experience that you will remember for the rest of your life...



STUDENT INFORMATION

Male Female

First name

Last name

Birthdate (MM/DD/YY)

Nationality

Email

QUESTIONNAIRE

| | YES | NO |
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| Do you like beautiful scenery and being in the countryside? | | |
| Do you like animals? | | |
| Do you like being outdoors, helping with projects, and sometimes getting a little dirty? | | |
| Do you like nature and working physically? | | |
| Have you ridden horses before? | | |
| Are you open to learn new western riding methods? | | |
| Do you like learning and experiencing new things in general? | | |
| Do you like meeting, getting to know, and working and living with new people? | | |

If you said yes to all (or most) of these questions then we think you would really enjoy your stay with us at Dreamscape Ranch!

| | YES | NO |
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| Do you want the excitement and bright lights of the city? | | |
| Do you like to spend a lot of time on your mobile phone and texting? | | |
| Do you like to spend a lot of time on the internet or watching television or sitting around watching the world go by? | | |
| Are you wanting a holiday where you can just relax and have no responsibilities? | | |
| Do you want to do a lot of shopping and site-seeing? | | |
| Do you find it difficult to get along with new people or work and live closely with others ? | | |
| Are you uncomfortable sharing a room and bathroom with other students? (Girls with girls and boys with boys) | | |

If you said yes to all (or most) of these questions then our Ranch is not going to be the right fit for you.

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QUESTIONNAIRE CONTINUED

Why do you want to visit a ranch in BC?

What kinds of riding have you done, if any? (Example: Arena riding, round pen riding, trail riding, ground work, English or western riding...)

What are your wishes and dreams for your trip to B.C.?

Is there anything else you would like to tell us concerning your experience with horses? (The more information you can give the better!)

What kinds of riding have you done, if any? (Example: Arena riding, round pen riding, trail riding, ground work, English or western riding...)

If you don't have any experience with horses, do you want to learn to ride and work with horses? Please note that beginner riders may not ride as often as the advanced riders. Beginners will be given some riding lessons – and if you are really interested you can pay for more lessons.

How long have you been involved with horses?

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What experience do you have with what other animals than horses, if any?

Are you vegetarian, vegan or have any allergies or special diet requirements? We need advanced notice for special diets or we may not be able to accommodate your needs.

Everyone helps with house hold chores (cleaning, cooking, and helping look after guests...) Do you have any concerns with this? If yes, please tell us why.

What level of spoken English do you have (beginner, intermediate or advanced)?

Do you help at home with the house hold? If yes what do you help with?

Is there anything you would like to add to let us know more about you?

Thank you for filling out this questionnaire.
We will look at your answers and determine if our Ranch is suited for yours and our needs.

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