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TRAVEL LOGISTICS:



Victoria is located on the southern end of Vancouver Island in British Columbia, Canada. Mount Joy College is approximately 45 minutes from downtown Victoria, an hour from Victoria International Airport and 75 minutes from Swartz Bay Ferry Terminal. Please notify us of your arrival time. Airport pickup is available on request. The training centre is in a rural area on a small mountain. Our West Coast style buildings overlook hills and ocean. Full accommodation and food will be provided. Most of the accommodation is double, however you may be able to book a single room for an additional \$10/night if requested in advance. Let us know if there is someone you would prefer to share a room with. The buildings are modern and recently constructed with temperature controls, so you will be warm and comfortable.

AIR TRAVEL:

Victoria International Airport is a short flight from either Vancouver or Seattle International Airports. There are many regularly scheduled flights available. Please check with your travel agent.

BOAT TRAVEL:

If you are arriving a few days early for some sightseeing in Vancouver or Seattle, you can reach Vancouver Island by ferry.



The B.C. Ferries trip from Vancouver (Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal) to Victoria (Swartz Bay Ferry Terminal) is an hour and thirty-five minutes and costs under \$20 per adult, and up to \$60 for a vehicle. Bus service with Pacific Coach Lines is available from both downtown Vancouver and Vancouver International Airport, onto the ferry and to Victoria. The cost is about \$50.00. Ferries leave Tsawwassen every odd hour on the hour from 7 AM to 9 PM. There are some even hour sailings. Please check the BC Ferries website for schedules.

The <u>Victoria Clipper Ferry</u> is a passenger only ferry that departs daily from downtown Seattle (Pier 69) to Victoria Inner Harbour. There is only one departure a day, and the cost is \$95. Check their website for the schedule.

<u>Please inform us</u> by telephone: 250-642-2844/1848, fax: 250-642-1841, Marie cell: 250-216-3243 or email: <u>admin@mtjoycollege.com</u> when you have your travel schedule. We suggest you arrive at either Swartz Bay Ferry Terminal or Victoria International Airport between noon and 3 pm if possible. We will arrange to have someone meet you at either of these locations.

WEATHER:

Spring in Victoria is mild and comes with an abundance of cherry blossoms. Daily temperatures range from 11-15 °C but the nights tend to be cooler. Rain is likely, and it is often windy. Please bring warm casual clothing, including a rain jacket or coat and umbrella, as well as comfortable rainproof shoes or boots. Slippers or indoor shoes are required for the training centre. Check the weather forecast before you come on the Environment Canada website.



MOUNT JOY COLLEGE:



There are plenty of places to walk and take pictures. We want you to enjoy this wonderful place which has 147 acres of hill, mossy meadows, tall trees and beautiful viewpoints. We will give you information about the local fauna and flora. There are no animals you need to fear. We have two friendly dogs, and two puppies! Come well-rested, because you will be busy. Classes begin on Friday evening.

We advise you to bring a hardback journal to write in, your Bible, and songbooks (we will do quite a lot of singing). If you play a musical instrument, please feel free to bring it along. We will have a celebratory feast at the end of the week, so please bring a sample of some specialty food or drink from your country or region (must be packaged as fresh food or vegetables will be confiscated by Customs). You may also want to bring a traditional or cultural outfit as we will dress up for the occasion, and a funny hat! Please advise us of any food allergies before you arrive. Other suggestions include an adaptor for charging any electronics for international trainees.



Welcome to Mount Joy!