







RELATÓRIO DE ATIVIDADES Curso de Imersão em Língua Inglesa ENGLISH THROUGH TORONTO

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INTRODUÇÃO

Com o objetivo de atender ao disposto nos itens 5.9 e 6 do Edital nº 30/2017, de 17 de novembro de 2017, retificado pelo Edital nº 32/2017, de 04 de dezembro de 2017, encaminho o presente relatório com a descrição das atividades exercidas no Curso de Imersão de Língua Inglesa, oferecido pela ILSC Schools, na Cidade de Toronto no Canadá.

O curso realizou-se de 23/04/2018 a 18/05/2018, sendo as aulas desenvolvidas das 09:00 às 12:00 horas e das 13:00 às 14:30 horas. Depois do teste inicial com redação e entrevista com uma professora da ILSC Schools, fui classificado no nível I2 (Intermediate 2).

No período da manhã, fui encaminhado à classe do Professor Arthur Pearse, do Programa Creative & Cultural English (English Through Toronto) e, no período da tarde, na classe de conversação (Conversation Intermediate) da Professora Heena Gambhir.

Cópia do certificado de conclusão do Curso de Imersão em Língua Inglesa, do boletim do referido curso e da descrição de meu desempenho (habilidades) enquanto aluno do curso está anexada a este relatório de atividades.

PLANOS DE AULA

Além da enriquecedora experiência de estudar inglês no Canadá, também foi importante observar os planos de aula utilizados pelos professores canadenses, que me proporcionaram um acréscimo inesperado de aprendizado para utilizar em sala de aula.

No caso do Programa Creative & Cultural English (English Through Toronto), a proposta foi visitar locais significativos da história de Toronto e conhecê-los através da apresentação do professor no local escolhido e de uma pesquisa de cada aluno, que ao final do dia seria convertido em um relatório (writing) enviado por e-mail. No dia seguinte, o relatório era devolvido com a correção do professor e já começava outra visita a outro local diferente. O relatório final com todos os locais visitados está anexado a este relatório de atividades.

Já na aula da tarde (Conversation Intermediate), a professora utilizou a interação entre os estudantes para promover debates em inglês sobre temas diversos, vídeos e até filmes com legendas em inglês, que logo depois seriam debatidos entre os estudantes, através de um roteiro pré-definido. Estas ferramentas utilizadas tornam a aula mais dinâmica e participativa, com evidentes ganhos para os estudantes.

A CIDADE DE TORONTO

Viver em uma cidade como Toronto é também um aprendizado de cidadania, de tolerância e de educação. O transporte público funciona muito bem, composto por metrô, ônibus e streetcar (uma espécie de bonde) que são integrados. Basta comprar um passe semanal ou mensal e este passe dá acesso a todos os meios de transporte. Os aplicativos informam qual a melhor forma de se deslocar por toda a cidade e também os horários dos transportes.

As pessoas que vemos na cidade são originárias de várias partes do mundo (Filipinas, Japão, Coréia, Brasil, Rússia, França, etc.) e convivem de maneira harmoniosa e respeitosa. A sensação de segurança é

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algo que chama a atenção. Não há notícia de assaltos ou violência nas ruas. A cidade é limpa e os serviços públicos parecem funcionar muito bem.

HOMESTAY (Acomodação)

A agência de intercâmbio First Steps acomodou-me em uma residência localizada na Av. Sultana, a 15 minutos de caminhada da estação de metrô Yorkdale, roteiro de minha preferência para ir à Escola. No entanto, na esquina da Av. Sultana com a Av. Baycrest, há um ponto de ônibus (nº 109) que faz o percurso até a estação de metrô Yorkdale em poucos minutos.

Estive nessa residência juntamente com mais sete estudantes e a convivência com todos e a dona da casa (de origem filipina) foi muito boa, harmoniosa e respeitosa. Tínhamos disponível o café da manhã e o jantar com um cardápio variado, que utilizava a culinária local, muito influenciada pela cozinha filipina e chinesa.

AVALIAÇÃO GERAL

Ao final do curso, avalio que houve melhora significativa em minhas habilidades na língua inglesa (listening, conversation and writing), como também considero que a experiência de viver em Toronto durante um mês foi bastante enriquecedora no que se refere aos aspectos culturais observados no Canadá, um país que privilegia a educação e o respeito às diferenças.

Encaminho, em anexo, relatório de atividades do programa English Through Toronto e cópia do certificado de conclusão do curso (Certificate of Completion) com o boletim do referido curso e da descrição de meu desempenho (habilidades) enquanto aluno.

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Yes

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End of Courses

Total Hours: 84.00

Overall Attendance %:

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Churches in Toronto

Religious multiculturalism is an important part of the Canada's culture. Christianism is the biggest religion in Canada. Christians represent 67.3% of them.

Our subject today is about churches in Toronto. First we knew St. Andrew's Church that is a historic and active congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. They say that its mission statement is that "the people of St. Andrew's are called by God to serve in faith, hope and love in the heart of Toronto".









We had opportunity to know The Church of the Holy Trinity that is an old preserved church located between new buildings.





And we arrived at The Cathedral Church of St. James. It was built in 1803-07 but the present cathedral was begun in 1850 and completed in 1874.

In my opinion, it's very important to live in a country where we are free to have any religion and to be respected.

Everybody must be free to choose own way and serve the society with own skills and talents.

So governments must preserve people rights about what to think and how to live.

I think Canada is in the right way!



Chinatown in Toronto



Walking on a sunny day, our class discovered a characteristic place in Toronto. Chinatown is in Downtown Toronto with a high concentration of ethnic Chinese residents and businesses extending along Dundas Street West and Spadina Avenue west of the centre of the city.

There are many countries that have Chinese immigrations. It's common they make a high concentration of Chinese residences named Chinatown. There is this situation in Philippines, Vietnam, Peru, USA, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia, as well as Canada.





Toronto's Chinatown first appeared during the 1890s with the migration of American Chinese from California during the economic depression at the time.

The present day old Chinatown along Spadina Avenue has many Chinese businesses expanded in this area where we can find fresh fruits, bakeries, gift shops, fashion shops and cafes.





Toronto's Chinatown is one of the largest in North America. With the population changes of recent decades, it has come to reflect a diverse set of East Asian cultures through its shops and restaurants, including Chinese, Vietnamese, and Thai. That's a very nice walking in Toronto!

High Park

Spring is coming in Toronto so it's High Park time!

It spans 161 hectares and is a mixed recreational with gardens for walkers, runners, bikers and so on.





It's very easy to arrive there because there is a metro station named High Park.

It is located to the west of downtown and was opened to the public in 1876. I am surprised to know that many of the trees are over 150 years old.

When I arrived there I found a large body of water named Grenadier Pond. Fishing remains a popular pastime there, but I didn't see anybody fishing. Instead this, I saw many llamas and it was impressive because it was so unexpected.



We are on 1 May. Today we had a sunny day and it was very good to walk at the morning through the ways of High Park.







Spring is coming in Toronto: what a wonderful world!

Ireland Park

Walking in the morning on the shores of Lake Ontario on a sunny day, I discovered Ireland Park.





This place has a great view and it's perfect to think about the adventure of the human being.



Million of Irish people died trying to survive. In 1847 over 38,000 Irish men, women and children landed on the shores of Toronto, where Ireland Park now stands, to start a new life.

Ireland Park is a tribute to all the Irish ancestors who came with only hope for a new life in a promising country.



Etiene Brule Park

This Park is a public park beside the Humber River that commemorates Etienne Brule, one of Samuel de Champlain's explorers.





Samuel de Champlain (c.1570-1635) was an important explorer and founder of New France. He arrived in Canada in 1603 and spent most of the rest of his life in Canada. A prolific writer, Champlain also published some of the best early descriptions of Ontario.





Etienne Brule was the first European to encounter the Humber River. He passed through the watershed in 1615 on a mission from Samuel de Champlain to build alliances with native peoples.





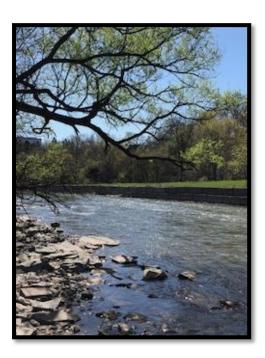
This park is only a five minute walk from Old Mill Subway Station. Nowadays we can walk on the shores of the Humber and appreciate the sound of the water and the ducks that use the river.

Walkers, runners and bikers use the park and appreciate nature.

It's very good to meditate and think about how to preserve nature is important for all.

Spring is coming and this park is becoming green and yellow flowers appears.

The sun is shining powerfully and we think 'What a wonderful nature!'



Allan Garden

Walking through the streets of a city tells us a lot about its memories and its heroes. It shows there are many famous people who in the past have contributed significantly so that we can admire the city today.





Walking around Allan Gardens shows the gratitude of Toronto for nature because they constantly preserve it. Many groups of children with their teachers were visiting Allan Garden. They were learning to respect nature. That's amazing!





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The city and its visitors can observe multiple species of vegetables from around the world and develop their respect for nature.







Allan Garden celebrates the diversity of vegetal world with many species of flowers and plants from many parts of the world.

In this garden we find gratitude and respect for nature.

It was great to visit this place!

High Park Cherry Blossoms

High Park attracts many visitors in early spring to admire the beautiful cherry blossoms. Many people ask about the best time to see the cherry trees in full bloom.



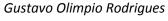


Cherry blossoms last for about a week to a week and a half if the weather is nice but if it rains while they are in bloom then the flower petals fall more quicky and the blooming may be over in just a few short days.





The first Japanese Cherry Tree was planted in Toronto in 1959 and it was a gift from the citizens of Tokyo. Sakura trees also known as cherry blossom trees are known for their elegance and beauty. Unfortunately they are also known for their short blooming periods. Approximately one week after the first blossoms appear, 'full bloom' is achieved.







Today is May 9th 2018 and The High Park cherry blossoms are now in full bloom, marking the peak of spring in Toronto. "Full bloom" occurs when 70 per cent of the flowers on the Sakura trees have opened. It's making today the absolute perfect time to visit the park for cherry blossom viewing.

Many people went to High Park this morning to walk, take pictures and appreciate nature.

Tourists, teaches with their students, families, young and old people put their shorts and T-shirts and catch some rays in High Park.

That's a great day in Toronto!



PATH - Toronto's Downtown Pedestrian Walkway

The weather may be rainy or snowy, but in Toronto there is a place where the weather does not stop people to go working or having fun.





The PATH - Toronto's Downtown Pedestrian Walkway - is an underground place with 30 kilometers of shopping, services and entertainment.

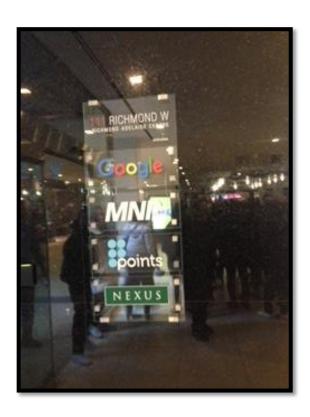




How can one not be surprised by this? Walking through PATH undoes the monotony of rainy, snowy and colder days when you cannot walk the streets of Toronto.







I was even more surprised when I discovered that the first underground PATH in Toronto started construction in 1900. Since that time, PATH has grown and had visitors even in the cold season.

It is such a great place in Toronto!

Don Valley Brick Works

In spring, if you want to catch some rays in Toronto you can't forget Don Valley Brick Works. Nowadays, this park has ponds, the meadow and the forest at the top of the slopes but it was created on top of a mass of building rubble and dirt.





In 1882 the material discovered there was absolutely perfect for construction. In a few years there was a big production of thousands of bricks every day. But nowadays, the natural processes in the park are managed by the City of Toronto to encourage the growth and diversity of native species.





In the ponds, we can see fishes, frogs and turtles living like an important part to the ecosystem of Don Valley. We walk through the green meadow thinking about what a wonderful is the nature!

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The forest at the top of the slopes is becoming green while spring is coming. There I discovered that the site's planners worked to design new habitats that would provide a valuable place for plants and animals.

In my opinion, this walking was very interesting to think that men can recover nature.

I know that we have many problems in the world caused by the exploration of the natural resources.

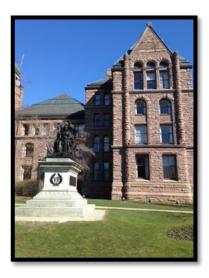
But I think that it's possible to fix it and we still have time to do it!

That's time to do it!



University of Toronto

Toronto is famous like a cosmopolitan city that receive people from all the world without intolerance. The University of Toronto has international students from 168 countries and regions. U of T is the picture of Toronto.





China, India, USA, Korea (South), Hong Kong and many other countries are present in University of Toronto that has become one of the world's top 10 public universities.





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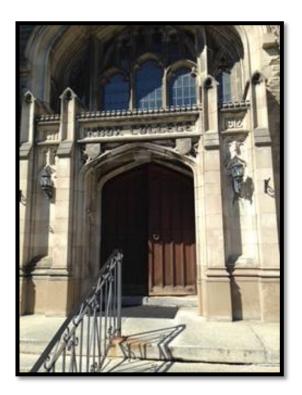




In my opinion, that is the reason U of T is one of the world's top research-intensive universities, driven to invent and innovate.

When we put students from many different countries to study together, we have less intolerance and prejudice and a more cosmopolitan and tolerant city.

U of T helps Toronto to be this way!



Distillery District in Toronto

The Distillery District opened in 2003 and today it is widely regarded as Canada's premier arts, culture and entertainment destination.





Nearly 15 years ago, a small group of investors began plans to restore the 47 buildings known as the Gooderham & Worts Distillery.





Located east of downtown, it contains numerous cafes, restaurants and shops. It is the largest collection of Victorian era industrial architecture in North America.





In these restored buildings I saw many art galleries like Thompson Landry Gallery, a chocolate maker and cafes like Balzac's Coffee.

There are other shops with interesting things to remember Canada and typical restaurants and bakeries.

Distillery District is a lovely place to walk, appreciate art and have a meal in Toronto!



Saint Lawrence Market

If you want to see typical food in Toronto, you must go to Saint Lawrence Market. It is a public market that is located at Front St East and Jarvis St in Old Town district of Toronto.





Fresh fruits and vegetables like oranges, apples, watermelon, mangos, nectarines, sweet peaches, pineapples and pomegranates are there waiting for you.





There you'll find the farmer's market where farmers arrive every Saturday to sell their meat, cheese and produce, just as they have been doing for more than 200 years.





You can find typical sweets like maple candies and if you can have a meal there are cakes and truffles and a good coffee. There are many kinds of cheese and olives. Sea food like fish, shrimps and crabs can be found there.

It is open Tuesday to Saturday and you can complete your visit with a walking tour through the best and biggest souvenir store in the Old Town where you can find a gift for someone or for you remember Toronto.

Saint Lawrence Market is a nice place to visit in Toronto!



R. C. Harris Water Treatment Plant in Toronto

Roland Caldwell Harris was a Toronto's Commissioner of Public Works from 1912 until 1945, the year he died. Harris was responsible for many of the major infrastructure projects that were built in Toronto during his tenure, including the water treatment plant that now bears his name.





Lake Ontario is Toronto's only source of drinking water—a vast natural resource, representing about one percent of the world's total surface freshwater supply. But before any of that lake water makes it to your sink or shower, it needs to be made safe for your consumption. And that's where the R.C. Harris Water Treatment Plant comes in.





Located in an attractive east-end community called The Beach, the plant is well known for its architectural features. It is located at the extreme east end of Queen Street, at the foot of Victoria Park Avenue, was built in phases throughout the 1930s and became operational in 1941.





In the 1950s, a wing was added to its filtration building, doubling its total throughput capacity to almost one billion liters of lake water per day. Currently, the plant purifies about 25% of Toronto's tap water.

It's one of four City treatment plants that enabled Toronto to consume maximum day's production 576 million liters of water.

Besides to be important to Toronto, The Beach is a lovely place to walk and appreciate nature.

Lake Ontario is a wonderful gift to Toronto's people!

