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Program/Policy	Sponsor	Web Address	Description of Program	Program ID's by	Last Retrieved
2nd Nova Scotia Immigrant Women's Round Table; A Summary Report (2006)	Office of Immigration	http://www.novascotiaimmigration.com	This extensive document gives an overview of the experiences of immigrant women in NS and provides a forum for recommendations. With regard to ESL, concerns included long waits times for adult classes, lack of teachers for adults and children, lack of ESL services in some communities and schools, funding for programs in schools, appropriate classroom placement for ESL students and concerns about the general curriculum in Canadian schools.	http://women.gov.ns.ca/pubs2006_07/ImmigrantWroundtable.pdf	22/10/09
Academic TOEFL	East Coast School of Language/Compucollege	http://www.ecscanada.com/About.php	This program is "designed to improve communication skills that are important in professional, daily and academic life." \$1125 per week full time plus homestay fess and some additional fees. 25 hours classroom, 5 hours activities, 2 hours self study	http://www.ecscanada.com/programs.php?id=5	22/10/09
Adult ESL	Halifax Regional School Board	www.hrsb.ns.ca	Full time classes in beginner through advanced levels are offered. Computer instruction and daycare are available. Quinpool Education Centre and Queen Elizabeth High School (According to Financial Statement March 31, 2007 HRSB received \$676,700 from the Federal Government for Adult ESL programs	1. http://www.hrsb.ns.ca/content/id/869.html 2. http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/paccts/Statements/Halifax%20Regional%20School%20Board.pdf)	22/10/09

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Adult Language Program/Evening Classes	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	This centre offers various language and settlement programs; LINC, CLB 1-7, basic literacy, basic life skills and labour market language. Childcare is available. This program is also associated with the family learning program. 2 or 3 hours/class, morning and afternoons, 5 day/week, continuous intakes	www.hilc.ns.ca	22/10/09
Annapolis Regional School Board	NS Department of Education	http://www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca/	Located in southern NS Annapolis SD has 43 schools and 15,500 students. An ESL policy BP 403.18 is posted in the board policy document, under student services which referred to tutoring for ESL students. Tutoring is limited to 6 weeks, 5 hours per week, which maybe extended on review. A student's eligibility for tutoring is dependent on a number of factors including age, prior school experience and first language proficiency. AVSB actively recruits international students.	http://www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca/forms/policy/BP403.18.PDF http://www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca/forms/policy/AP403.18.PDF	22/10/09
Branching Out:News from Public Schools Branch June 2004	NS Department of Education	http://ednet.ns.ca	This newsletter published by the NS Department of Education refers to a 2 day in-service workshop for teachers to implement the Guideline for English as a Second Language (published 2003). There are references to other guidelines including English as a Second Language(ESL): Oral Language Proficiency and Literacy Assessment.	http://lrt.ednet.ns.ca/pdf/Branching/june_2004.pdf	Not found Oct 22,09

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Canadian Language Learning Centre		http://www.clc.ca/pages/en/index.php	"CLLC offers various programs intended for professionals and students preparing for post secondary education and TOEFL preparation". Some prerequisites for advanced courses. Includes homestay accommodation. Must be 16 years or older. Minimum of 4 weeks, average stay of 4 months, full or partime, classroom and activities. \$800-1000/week plus \$600/wk homestay. Full or part time courses, minimum 4 weeks, average stay of 4 months. 10 students per classes.	http://www.clc.ca/pages/en/index.php	27/10/09
Cape Breton - Victoria School Board	NS Department of Education	http://www.cbv.ns.ca/welcome/	No ESL policy or program could be found on the web site		
Chignecto-Central Regional School Board	NS Department of Education	http://www.ccrsb.ednet.ns.ca/	No EAL/ESL policy found of web site although international students are actively recruited to this region and a summer camp is offered in conjunction with the international student program.	http://eslcamp.ccrsb.ca/	22/10/09
Child Learning Centre	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	Creative play and planned activities incorporated into daycare offered to families with adults taking ESL classes. 2 hours/day 5 days/week	http://www.hilc.ns.ca/ec_familylearning.php	22/10/09
East Coast School of Language		http://www.ecslcanada.com/About.php	ECLS offers a variety of ESL courses, including EAP, English for Business, English for Communication and TOEFL preparation for international student. There is an associated homestay program.	http://www.ecslcanada.com/programs.php?id=12	27/10/09

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East Coast Summer Camp	East Coast School of Language	http://www.ecslcanada.com/About.php	The camp, located outside Halifax, is open to teens through to adults and offers 3 hours of instruction per day, activities and excursions. 4 and 6 week sessions in July and August	http://www.ecslcanada.com/LanguageCamp.php	22/10/09
Elementary ESL Summer Camp	Annapolis Valley Regional School Board/Nova Scotia International Students Program	avrsb.ednet.ns.ca	AVRSD offers an ESL summer with 3 hours of class per day plus activities and excursions. Residence accommodation at Kings Edgehill School, meals and transportation included. 2 or 4 weeks in July and August	http://www.studyinnovascotia.ca/ESL/index.html	22/10/09
English as a Second Language (ESL) Support	Annapolis Valley Regional School Board	http://www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca/main/index.php?p_type=5&pagecontentid=1	Policy BP 403.18/AP 403.18 provides for 6 weeks of tutoring for qualified students, up to 5 hours/week. Students may be offered more tutoring after a second assessment.	http://www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca/forms/policy/BP403.18.PDF	22/10/09
English for Academic Purposes	Nova Scotia Community College	http://www.nsc.ca/	Participants must have sufficient skills to enter post secondary education, specifically high school graduation with TOEFL score of >173. Classroom work including assignments, tasks, presentations and debates. Offered each semester, 3X year; duration listed as 1 year. Institute of Technology Campus, 5685 Leeds Street.	http://www.nsc.ca/Learning_Programs/programs/PlanDescr.aspx?prg=ENGAP&pln=ENGAP	22/10/09

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English For Academic Purposes (EAP)	St Mary's University TESL Centre	www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/	The Intensive Program is intended for students who have been accepted into post secondary institutions or who are planning to apply but who have not yet passed the required language proficiency test. After assessment, students are placed in 1 of 3 levels, advanced students may transfer to EPPC courses. 25 hour/wk, 8 weeks sessions	http://www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/iep.html	27/10/09
English for Business (EFB)	East Coast School of Language/CompuCollege	http://www.ecslcanada.com/About.php	"The EFB Program is designed for students who wish to pursue a career in an English-speaking business environment, take a further specialized business training course at CompuCollege, or achieve a high TOEIC score" There is an associated internship program with Access International English Language Centre, Toronto. \$6750 per 24 week session full-time/\$3200 part time plus accommodation. 25 hours classroom, 5 hours activities, 2 hours self study, 24 weeks sessions	http://www.ecslcanada.com/programs.php?id=3	22/10/09
English for Communicative Purposes	East Coast School of Language/CompuCollege	http://www.ecslcanada.com/About.php	"The afternoon classes in the ECP program focus on helping students achieve fluency in communication" \$1125 per week full time plus homestay fees and some additional fees. 25 hours classroom, 5 hours activities, 2 hours self study	http://www.ecslcanada.com/programs.php?id=5	22/10/09
English for Engineers	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	EFE is intended for international engineering professionals. Students must have CBL of 6 or higher. 2 hours in evenings 2x/week	www.hilc.ns.ca	22/10/09

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English for Healthcare Professionals	HILC and MISC Associated with Reg. Nurses Prof. Development (RN-PDC) and College of RN of NS	www.hilc.ns.ca	EFHP is intended for international healthcare professionals. Students must have CLB of 7 or higher. 18 hours/week 16 weeks offered 2X yearly	http://www.misa.ns.ca/ec_iehp.php	22/10/09
English for Managers	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	Students must have CBL of 4 or higher to enter this program intended for adults, including provincial nominees who plan to work in managerial positions. 2 hours in evenings 2x/week	www.hilc.ns.ca	22/10/09
English for Personal and Professional Communication (EPPC)	St Mary's University TESL Centre	www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/	Students are assessed and placed in one of six levels. Courses are directed intended for post secondary students and professionals who wish to improve their communication in English. Available for Francophone ESL. 25 hour/wk, 8 weeks sessions	http://www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/iep_epp.html	27/10/09
English for Work and Business	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	This program offers language training specifically oriented for business and workplace communication and offers the opportunity for students to compile a portfolio for prospective employers to view. Students must have CLB of 6 or higher. 17.5 hours/week 14 weeks, offered 3x yearly	www.hilc.ns.ca	22/10/09

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ESL for Adults	Halifax Public Library	www.halifaxpubliclibraries.ca	One to one tutoring with volunteer tutors is available at 6 locations at libraries throughout Halifax, Bedford and Dartmouth. 2 hour weekly sessions. An application is required and there may be a waiting list. The Library provides resources and orientation for tutors and has links to ESL websites on the library website.	http://www.halifaxpubliclibraries.ca/content/view/full/43/103/	22/10/09
ESL Immersion Program	St Mary's University TESL Centre	www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/	This one month program offered in July or January, has classes and activities focusing on listening and speaking with some literacy practice. Must 16 years of age or older, typical age is 20-22. Also available for Francophone ESL students. 25 hour/wk, 8 weeks sessions	http://www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/iep_omi.html	27/10/09
ESL Summer Camp	Nova Scotia International Student Program/Chignecto Central ISP	snisp@ednet.ns.ca	The International Student Program and Chignecto-Central SD offer ESL summer camp for Junior and Secondary school students at the NS Agricultural College in Truro. Fees include 3 hours of classes, excursions and activities and accommodation. Students may stay for one to nine weeks. 4 weeks sessions in July and August	http://nsisp.ednet.ns.ca/ourprograms/eslsummercamp	22/10/09
Family Learning Program	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	http://www.hilc.ns.ca/ec_familylearning.php	"The Family Learning Program helps newcomer parents who have little or no formal education with language and literacy skills." Children spend the first 30 minutes in class with parents at the Family n Tot Meeting Place. Childcare available for younger children. 3 hours/day 5 days/week, continuous intakes	http://www.hilc.ns.ca/ec_familylearning.php	22/10/09

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Guidelines for English as a Second Language (ESL) Programming and Services (April 2003)	NS Department of Education	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/index.php?t=sub_pages&cat=1007	Published in 2003 this pdf is an extensive policy document which outlines the responsibilities of school boards and teachers, defines ESL students, reviews the likely steps in the integration of ESL students into the school system, the use of IPP's and programming for ESL students.	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/pdffdocs/studentsvcs/esl_guidelines/esl_guidelines_web_duplex.pdf	22/10/09
Guidelines for English as a Second Language Programming and Services (2003)	Province of Nova Scotia	www.ednet.ns.ca	Guidelines for English as a Second Language Programming and Services is an extensive document for educators regarding ESL, includes background information on, and definition of ESL students and the responsibilities of schools with regard to ESL education. Program planning, assessment and program delivery, including the use of IPP's, are also outlined with acknowledgment that demands will vary according to school district demographics.	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/pdffdocs/studentsvcs/esl_guidelines/esl_guidelines_web.pdf	22/10/09
Halifax Regional School Board	NS Department of Education	http://www.hrsb.ns.ca/	Halifax SB has 52000 students in 139 schools and supports the urban Halifax, Dartmouth and surrounding area. No ESL policy was found on the web site but HSB has an adult ESL program and the general business plan mentions finding adequate funding for ESL.	http://www.hrsb.ns.ca/files/Downloads/pdf/reports/2008-2009/June/09-05-1206.pdf	27/10/09
Hi Tech Learning Corp	ESL Cape Breton		4 hours of classroom plus activities. Home stay accommodations. No other information; forwarding website inactive	randburg.com (forwarding site not found)	22/10/09

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International Student Program	Annapolis Valley Regional School Board	www.avrsb.ednet.ns.ca	This a homestay program for international secondary students. Students attend regular school programs in the AVRSD. Students must pay international student tuition fees and the cost of homestay.	http://www.studyinnovascotia.ca/nsisp/index.html	22/10/09
Islands Language Centre		http://www.islandslanguagecenter.org	3 hours classroom plus activities and excursions. On site accommodation, meals and transportation. 7 day/wk immersion. \$1000/wk, additional cost for private accommodation. 2-3 week sessions, June through October. classes of 20, groups and private instruction	http://www.islandslanguagecenter.org/	27/10/09
Learning for Life II 2005-2006 Annual Report and Action Plan	NS Department of Education		This extensive annual report by the Department of Education, published in 2006, has two references to ESL: one under "What We Have Done", and the statements "implement ESL guide lines, support for staff from the Office of Immigration" and one under "What We Plan To Do", and the statements "more ESL supports, coordination of p-12 sector ESL services".	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/pdffdocs/learning_for_life_II/2006-07_LFL_Eng_web.pdf	22/10/09
Literacy Classes	Metro Region Immigrant Language Services; affiliated with Halifax Regional School Board	http://www.milsns.info/contact.php	Classes are offered from beginner to advanced levels. Computer literacy and daycare is available and outreach is offered to those unable to attend regularly scheduled classes. Forsythe Learning Centre, 136 Pine Crest Dr, Dartmouth. 5.5 hours M-F to level 6, or part time 3 hours M-F. Day care available	www.milsns.info	22/10/09

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Literacy Outreach	Metro Region Immigrant Language Services; affiliated with Halifax Regional School Board(?) Halifax Regional Municipality	http://www.misa.ns.ca	Outreach is available at various locations in Halifax, Dartmouth, Bedford and Sackville. 2 sessions/wk	http://www.misa.ns.ca	22/10/09
Metro ESL Association					
Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association (MISA)		www.misa.ms.ca	MISA provides various services to landed immigrants and newcomers including ESL classes through the Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre	http://www.misa.ns.ca/	27/10/09
Ministers Review of Services for Children with Special Needs	NS Department of Education		There are several references to ESL students in this report published in 2007. References were found regarding ESL guidelines, Oral Language Assessments and Resource Kits, although no details of these plans were found.	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/events/special_education_review/documents/review-committee-report-e.pdf	22/10/09
Nova Scotia International Students Program	Nova Scotia Department of Education	nsisp@ednet.ns.ca	This program intended for international students is available at 50 schools in various school districts throughout NS and has an associated homestay program and summer camp. Costs involve international student tuition and home stay, 1 semester to 1 year	http://eslcamp.ccrsb.ca/index.html	22/10/09
Nova Scotia Office of Immigration	Province of Nova Scotia	http://www.novascotiaimmigration.com/	NSOI actively recruiting immigration to the province of NS, offers languages education services to immigrants through the Halifax Regional School Boards Adult ESL program, Metro Region Immigrant Language Services and Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre.	http://novascotiaimmigration.com/language-training	27/10/09

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NS Special Education Policy Manual	Dept of Education		Other sources indicate that ESL funding in NS is through special education and that IPP's are used to plan support for ESL student but no reference ESL students was found in this document.	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/pdffdocs/studentsvcs/specialed/speceng.pdf	27/10/09
P.R.U.D.E		http://www.prude.ca/programs.html	This community group works toward understanding between racial groups. Offers employment outreach, job search and "educational" opportunities. No specific mention of EAL on website		
Public School Programs 2003-2004 Goals and Policies	Dept of Education		This document intended for educators provides an overview of programs including ESL and directs educators to specific documents for each program and refers to Guidelines for English as a Second Language (2002)	http://www.ednet.ns.ca/pdffdocs/psp/psp_03_04_full.pdf	23/10/09
South Shore Regional School Board	NS Department of Education	http://www.srsb.ca/srsb/	South Shore School Division has 8000 students enrolled in 36 schools. No EAL policy found on web site.		22/10/09
Strait Regional School Board	NS Department of Education	http://ls-strait.ednet.ns.ca	No EAL policy found on web site. Strait SD has 8000 students.	http://ls-strait.ednet.ns.ca/srsb/SRSBoard.nsf/mainframe.set	22/10/09
Teaching Immigrant English	NS Office of Immigration/ HRSB Metro Region Immigrant Languages Services	http://www.novascotiaimmigration.com/	MRILS provides ESL services for Nova Scotia for areas outside Halifax, excluding Cape Breton. Various services including tutors provided by specific request.	http://www.novascotiaimmigration.com/en-page1022.aspx	22/10/09

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TOEFL Prep	Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre (HILC)/Metro Immigrant Settlement Centre (MISC)	www.hilc.ns.ca	This program is intended for students and professionals who are required to pass the TOEFL for admission or licensing. Must have CBL of 7 or higher. 2 hours in evenings 2x/week 2.5 hours 2 x week, 8 weeks offered 1 x yearly	www.hilc.ns.ca	22/10/09
Tricounty District School Board	NS Department of Education	http://southwest.ednet.ns.ca/TC/LEAS/	Tricounty SD is located in and around Yarmouth and has an enrollment of 7500 students. No EAL policy listed on website but an information and resource document is available for teachers.	tcrsb.ednet.ns.ca/.../root/administration/files/rch/eslhdbk.pdf	Resources information not found Oct 22, 2009
University Achievement Program	East Coast School of Language/Various Post secondary Institutions in NS	http://www.ecslcanada.com/About.php	This intensive series of courses is intended for post secondary students who are intending for register at local post secondary institutions. Students in the advance section also take university courses part time. The program is offered at 3 levels which take 9 months to complete at which time students may be granted admission to post secondary institution without requiring TOEFL. \$3200/12 week session plus home stay \$200/week plus some additional fees. 25 hours classroom work, 5 hours of activities and 2 hours self study per week, 3 months, 3 sessions per year	http://www.ecslcanada.com/programs.php?id=12	22/10/09
University Bridging Program	St Mary's University TESL Centre	www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/	This program is directed toward students already taking 1 or more courses at St Mary's and who have already completed one semester of EAP. 15 hr/wk for 16 weeks over 2 semesters	http://www.smu.ca/academic/tesl/iep_ubp.html	27/10/09

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Valley ESL	Valley Community Learning Association/Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre	http://www.vcla.ca/	One on one tutoring is offered for students who for various reasons including difficulty with transportation and child care cannot attend the regularly scheduled classes at VCLA.	http://www.vcla.ca/	27/10/09
Valley ESL	Valley Community Learning Association/Halifax Immigrant Learning Centre/Nova Scotia Community College	http://www.vcla.ca/	Beginner and Advanced classes are offered at Kempville. Intermediate classes are available at Kempville, and at Middleton in partnership with the Nova Scotia Community College. 2 hours 2X weekly.	http://www.vcla.ca/	27/10/09
Halifax Regional School Board, General Fund Business Plan 2008-2009	HRSB		The HRSD business plan makes specific reference to improving ESL services and supporting ESL parents as part of the business plan for 2008-2009	http://www.hrsb.ns.ca/files/Downloads/pdf/reports/2008-2009/June/09-05-1206.pdf	27/10/09