

Alternatives to short-term language study abroad

Domestic immersion programmes

- Intensive domestic immersion
- Language cafés

For example: At Cégep du Vieux Montréal, students who are enrolled in Spanish courses can participate in conversation workshops with native Spanish speakers throughout the school year.

In-school activities with highly competent speakers

- Peer tutoring (Fischer et al., 2021)
- Odyssey language monitors

For example: Many colleges have peer tutoring centres where students can get help from students who have passed higher-level language courses. Students can work with English-speaking language assistants who are hired by the Odyssey Language Assistant Program.

Out-of-school activities with highly competent speakers (Fischer et al., 2021)

- Internships
- Expert interviews

For example: In higher-level B-block English courses, students can locate and interview English-speaking experts in their field of study.

- Cultural outings and guided tours

For example: Wendake, a borough of Quebec City, offers English-language guided group tours of a traditional Huron site. The Museum of Jewish Montreal offers walking tours of historic Jewish neighbourhoods.

- Service learning

Online activities

- Worldchat.live

For example: Students in Quebec colleges can meet online with students who are learning English in different countries around the world.

