When I was done with the formalities it was around 2:00 pm and I found the university unusually quiet and empty. The fact was all the frosh people were set off to discover the city and I was left behind without any company. These were definitely fun loving people who didn't waste a moment to discover the clubs, malls and party places. So I started wondering and discovering the university before my bus arrived.

The actual orientation week activities were to start the next day, but I also had a confusing class schedule conflicting with the O'week activities. Moreover class at 8:00 am seemed such a pain for me because I had a very bad habit of sleeping in irregular times. I joined the academic orientation program where lots of faculties, Deans and also the University President was present. President Mr. David Atkinson was always a very interesting person to me and he was a great fan of Rabindranath Tagore! He was basically an English literature professor but he spent two years in 'Shanti Niketon' for studying on Tagore. Also I found him quoting from Tagore a lot of times. We were all getting introduced with the academic process and activities at BrockU and also introducing ourselves with our names, country and or experiences on the way to Brock.

The next event was organized by the International office and it was on Port Dalhousie, lying on the shore of Lake Ontario. We were told to bring enough water, a cap, and 'Sunscreen' at it was going to be a daytime party. It was a beautiful place with pathways on the shorelines and a harbor walkway, which goes deep into the lake. It was a great fun with a number of sports and events at the party and with the BBQ's.

It was the third day; I actually had my first class at Brock and it was on Economics. But I found the room Thiesel 247 packed with a few hundred students inside! I had no idea how this could be and I had to look for a place until the lecture was started. It was Prof. Fellice Martinello well known for being very caring about students. Following that class I attended two more classes on Math's and Comp-Sci. From the fourth day on, classes were getting on in full swing.

Studying in Canada

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Canadian colleges, universities, technical institutes and other educational institutions encourage applications from qualified international students. Many Bangladeshi students prefer Canada to go for higher studies.

The next Semester in Canadian universities and colleges will start in September therefore this is the best time to start processing for admission and attending the semester. To process the papers successfully, students would find the information given below useful:

Programmes: Certificates, Diploma, Undergraduate, Masters, PhD and Post Doctoral.

Subjects: Business Administration, Marketing, Economics, business studies, Foreign Affairs, Political Science, Sociology, Law, Literature, Music Language, Automobiles, Aviation, Telecommunication, Automobiles, Computer Science, Engineering, Tourism, Medicine, Nursing, Hotel Management, Botany, Zoology, Mathematics, Applied Science, Chemistry, Physics, Anthropology, Forestry, Agriculture, Graphics Designing, Arts, Fashion Designing, Food processing, Environmental Science and many more.

Expenses: Tuition fees of a course vary depending on programmes, subjects and educational institutions. Annual Tuition fee ranges from $2000 to $45000, including accommodation, insurances and all other expenses.

Job Facilities: All full-time students get permission for part time job. A student can work 20 hours a week when the classes are on. During vacations, students are allowed to do full-time job. With the earnings from part time job a students can bear all the living expenses excepting tuition fees.

Minimum requirements: In Canada one can study either in English or in French language. As all the Bangladeshi students select English they have to have complete TOEFL or IELTS. For undergraduate programme minimum required score in TOEFL is 550 and in IELTS it is 5.5 and completion of minimum 12 years schooling is a must.

To face Canadian Visa the below mentioned papers are must:

1. A valid letter of acceptance from a Canadian educational institution confirming name and length of the program, tuition fees, living expenses, semester for which the admission is valid and last date for registration. 2. Bank solvency statement (Adequate funds available to you to pay for your tuition and living expenses while in Canada and to return to your country of residence) 3. All educational documents, including marks sheets (SSC, HSC, Bachelor's, Master's or other post-secondary, college, vocational or university diploma, certificate or degree). 4. Medical certificate 5. Police verification certificate mentioning that the applicant has no record of criminal activity 6. Photographs (make sure your photos are in accordance with our photograph specifications) 7. Applicant's passport, valid for the duration of your studies plus one month 8. Correct processing fee

Note that failure to provide any of these documents will result in your application being returned to you without a decision or refused for lack of information.

Name of some renowned universities in Canada

1. Mount Allison University e-mail: admissions@mta.ca

web-site: www.inta.ca **2. Holland College** email:info@hollandc.pe.ca Web-site: www.hollandc.pe.ca

3. Concordia University e-mail: communications@concordia.caweb-site: www.concordia.ca **4. The Northern Alberta Institute Of Technology** e-mail: international @nait.ca

web-site: www. nait.ca **4.Dalhousie University** e-mail: admissions@dal.ca web-site: www. Dal.ca