
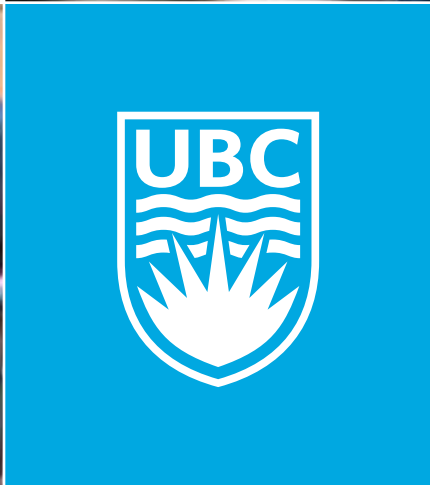




**THE UNIVERSITY  
OF BRITISH  
COLUMBIA**

UNDERGRADUATE  
VIEWBOOK  
2021



# Community is where you make it

It's in our classrooms and across our campuses. It's online and on the playing fields. It's in Vancouver and Kelowna and countless cities and towns around the world. UBC's community goes back over a hundred years, and connects tens of thousands of students and faculty, and hundreds of thousands of alumni. It's inclusive, inspiring, innovative, and inviting, and we can't wait for you to join us.

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**WORK SHEETS!**







# Where bright minds shine

It's no wonder that UBC is consistently ranked one of the best universities in the world. With two stunning campuses full of modern learning spaces and innovative research facilities, UBC is home to endless opportunities to nurture existing interests and explore new avenues of discovery – about the world, about the past, about the future, about yourself.

**BY THE NUMBERS<sup>1</sup>**

**#1** UNIVERSITY IN THE WORLD FOR CLIMATE ACTION AND IMPACT

**#2** UNIVERSITY IN CANADA

**TOP 25** PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD

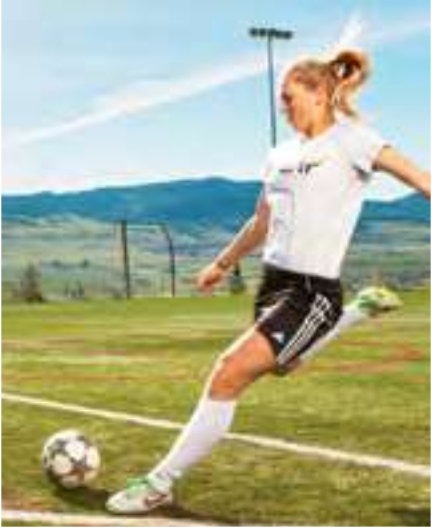
**TOP 40** RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD



Everyone who appears in this publication is a student, faculty member, staff member, or alumnus from the UBC community.

<sup>1</sup> Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings, Academic Ranking of World Universities (Shanghai Ranking), Times Higher Education World University Rankings, and Webometrics Ranking of Universities





# A connected community

UBC is an engaged and inclusive community of expert faculty, inquisitive students, insightful researchers, and accomplished alumni who care deeply about solving contemporary global challenges. As the most international university in North America, UBC welcomes students just like you from around the world – not just to experience the UBC community, but to enhance it.

BY THE NUMBERS

**#1**  
MOST INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
IN NORTH AMERICA<sup>1</sup>

**53,872**  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS  
ACROSS TWO CAMPUSES

**1,619**  
ABORIGINAL STUDENTS

**14,028**  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS  
FROM OVER 160 COUNTRIES

<sup>1</sup>Times Higher Education World University Ranking



**MEET SOME OF OUR STUDENTS**

There's no typical UBC student, just a community of learners connected by boundless curiosity. You'll get to know a few of them in the pages of this book.



← Craig made friends who feel like family during UBC's Jump Start orientation. Read his story on [page 11](#).

For Darcy, living in residence → has been a great way to meet people and create community. Read their story on [page 15](#).



← Dominique didn't know anyone before arriving at UBC, but that changed quickly. Read her story on [page 33](#).

Nithi's involvement in various → organizations has been a big part of her learning and growth. Read her story on [page 31](#).



**i** Diversity is central to UBC's success. The university is committed to being a place where people from all backgrounds and perspectives are welcome.



← Skyler appreciates the international perspectives present at UBC's Okanagan campus. Read his story on [page 15](#).

Sabrina found a sense of connection among the UBC community. Read her story on [page 13](#).





# Okanagan campus

A welcoming community in a thriving city

UBC Okanagan is located within the territory of the Syilx Okanagan Nation, whose spirit of stewardship is maintained in UBC's respect for sustainability and the land. Life on UBC's Okanagan campus is shaped by its vibrant host city, Kelowna, known for its growing high-tech industry and excellent outdoor recreation opportunities, including hiking, biking, swimming, and skiing. The campus community continues to evolve, anchored by the warmth of the students, faculty, and staff, and inspired by the landscape.



The campus is 20 minutes from Kelowna's city centre and one hour from two world-class ski resorts.



## GET TO KNOW KELOWNA

The fastest-growing city in British Columbia

- POPULATION OF 217,000
- MOST ENTREPRENEURIAL COMMUNITY IN CANADA<sup>1</sup>
- SEVERAL THEATRE GROUPS, A SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, MUSEUMS, AND ART GALLERIES
- MANY TRAILS FOR HIKING, BIKING, AND EXPLORING
- AVERAGES 2,000 HOURS OF SUNSHINE EVERY YEAR, WITH MILD, SNOWY WINTERS AND WARM SUMMERS



- ▲ Mountain biking is a popular activity in the Okanagan
- ◀ Undergraduate students can enter the Nursing program on the Okanagan campus in their first year



▼ Student housing on the Okanagan campus



### BY THE NUMBERS

**9,643** UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS FROM 97 COUNTRIES

**\$25M** IN RESEARCH FUNDING FOR 925 PROJECTS

→ [you.ubc.ca/okanagan](https://you.ubc.ca/okanagan)

[youbcpic](https://www.instagram.com/youbcpic)

<sup>1</sup> Canadian Federation of Independent Business



# Vancouver campus

## An oceanside campus in an urban setting

UBC Vancouver is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam people. Nestled on the shores of the Pacific Ocean, the campus is full of innovative learning facilities and a mix of modern and traditional architecture. It's a vibrant starting point to explore academic adventures, beautiful beaches, evergreen forests, diverse cuisines, and engaging arts and culture.



The campus is 30 minutes from Vancouver's city centre and just a short drive to several ski destinations, including Whistler, one of North America's top-rated ski resorts.<sup>1</sup>



## GET TO KNOW VANCOUVER

Consistently ranked among the most livable cities in the world<sup>2</sup>

POPULATION OF 2,672,000

ONE OF THE MILDDEST CLIMATES IN CANADA

HOME TO STANLEY PARK, ONE OF THE LARGEST URBAN PARKS IN NORTH AMERICA

28-KILOMETRE SEAWALL CIRCLES THE CITY

ONE OF THE MOST TREE-COVERED CITIES IN THE WORLD<sup>3</sup>



- ▲ The Walter C. Koerner Library is designed to resemble an open book
- ◀ The Museum of Anthropology highlights arts and cultures from around the world, with an emphasis on First Nations peoples of British Columbia



### BY THE NUMBERS

**45,516** UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS FROM 157 COUNTRIES

**9** LIBRARIES SPANNING MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES

→ [you.ubc.ca/vancouver](https://you.ubc.ca/vancouver)

[youbcpic](https://www.instagram.com/youbcpic)

<sup>1</sup> SKI Magazine Resort Survey 2018  
<sup>2</sup> Mercer 2019 Quality of Living Rankings  
<sup>3</sup> MIT Senseable City Lab Green View Index



## Join in

Whether you're looking to explore new interests or deepen your commitment to existing ones, UBC has many opportunities. Try improv comedy, join a choir, play dodgeball, or do them all at once! The people you meet and the activities you experience will shape your time at university and likely the rest of your life.

→ [you.ubc.ca/ubc-life](https://you.ubc.ca/ubc-life)

### CLUBS

Pursue an existing passion or nurture a new one in one of UBC's hundreds of student-run clubs and course unions. If the club you have in mind doesn't exist, find a few friends and start it up.

### EVENTS

Celebrate global fashion and diversity at Rejoice, an intercultural fashion show, or race in Storm the Wall, one of the most exciting events of the year. No matter your interests, you'll find fun things to do on campus.

### STUDENT SUPPORTS

UBC is committed to providing a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment for living and learning. If you have questions or need support related to health, accessibility, safety, career development, and more, there are people and services on both campuses that can help.

### CULTURE

Find students from around the world in spaces like the Global Collegium on UBC's Okanagan campus, or the Global Lounge on UBC's Vancouver campus. If you're an Aboriginal student looking to connect with others, visit Aboriginal Programs and Services on UBC's Okanagan campus or the First Nations Longhouse on UBC's Vancouver campus.



▲ Cheering on teammates at Storm the Wall



▲ Top to bottom: Day of the Longboat, Students playing beach volleyball on campus, Sylix dancers

### ORIENTATIONS

UBC has some of the most engaging orientation events in Canada. No matter where you come from, or whether you plan to live on or off campus, you can join in activities organized by students, faculty, and staff. You'll learn about your academic community, make friends, get to know professors, and dive head first into your UBC adventure.

### SPORTS AND RECREATION

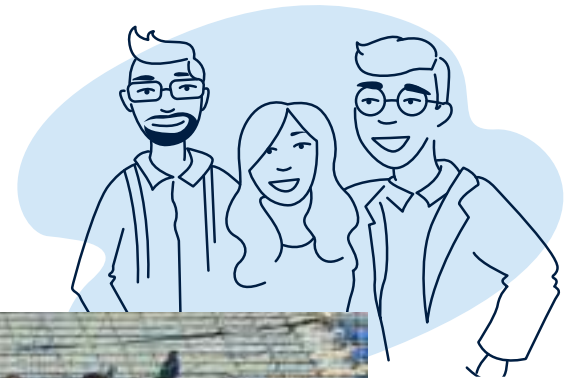
Join a recreational team or competitive club, sign up for a fitness or dance class, or don the school colours of blue and gold and cheer on UBC's varsity teams: the Okanagan Heat and the Vancouver Thunderbirds.



## CRAIG D.

DUBAI, UAE AND GOA, INDIA  
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

*"The more you involve yourself with the community and actively participate, the more you will feel at home here."*



### Are you part of any UBC communities that have been especially meaningful?

My closest group of friends largely consists of people I met in my first week, at UBC's Jump Start orientation program. This group of friends stands out because they've gone beyond the traditional definition of friends and become almost like family.

### What would you say to prospective students who are considering attending UBC?

You truly get out of UBC what you put in. The more you involve yourself with the community and actively participate, the more you will feel at home here.

### What big questions did you have before arriving at UBC?

I had never been to North America prior to coming to UBC, so "What's it like?" was a massive question for me. I was excited to travel to somewhere super different compared to where I had grown up.

### What do you like about your program?

The community experience is filled with inclusivity and a general willingness of your peers, professors, and teaching assistants to help and to see you succeed.



*"Being part of different communities has made UBC feel much smaller and connected."*



UBC has over 500 student-run clubs and course unions covering a vast range of interests – everything from quidditch to competitive robotics to a cappella.



# Explore your curiosity

At UBC, learning isn't limited to the classroom. Co-operative and community-based learning experiences and academic exchanges are just a few of the ways you can broaden your perspective and gain hands-on experience you will take with you anywhere you go.

→ [you.ubc.ca/ubc-life/getting-involved](https://you.ubc.ca/ubc-life/getting-involved)

**BY THE NUMBERS**

**6,000+** CO-OP PLACEMENTS EACH YEAR

**240+** EXCHANGE, RESEARCH, AND STUDY-ABROAD PARTNERS WORLDWIDE

**77.8%** OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN ENRICHED EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES



◀ Vineyards throughout the Okanagan region provide an outdoor classroom for UBC students

**GO PLACES**  
Take advantage of UBC's partnerships with international universities to immerse yourself in a new culture through a study-abroad experience in one of over 40 countries.

**GIVE BACK**  
Gain real-world experience in your area of study and make meaningful contributions to important initiatives and research, on campus and in communities around the world.

**GET EXPERIENCE**  
Expand your career network and learn alongside professionals with local and global practicums, internships, and co-op terms ranging from three to 16 months.



**SABRINA M.**  
CANORA, CANADA - PLAINS CREE FIRST NATIONS AND INDIGENOUS STUDIES

*"You will learn just as much outside of the classroom as you will in it."*



**What big questions did you have before arriving at UBC?**  
I always wondered what it would be like to study in a multicultural setting. I was pleasantly surprised by UBC's wonderful and diverse community that allows me to study among students from all around the world.

**What would you say to prospective students who are considering attending UBC?**  
The people and the community of UBC are unlike anything you'll find anywhere else! You will learn just as much outside of the classroom as you will in it, just from the conversations you'll have with the amazing students around campus.

**In your opinion, what makes UBC distinctive from other universities?**  
Definitely the community. Before coming here, I was worried about feeling disconnected from other students, but I couldn't have been more wrong! Regardless of who you are and what your interests are, there's a place for you at UBC to feel connected - you just have to look for it!

**Are you connected with any Collegia on campus?**  
This past year, UBC opened the Indigenous Collegia on its Vancouver Campus. I love this space and it was a crucial part of my first-year experience. I'm overjoyed that I can become a more active member of this space in my second year as I will be working as a Collegia Advisor.



*"The focus and care that UBC puts into its Indigenous students is something I couldn't find matched anywhere else."*



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
UBC Collegia are spaces on campus that provide commuter students with a place to hang out between classes.



## Make yourself at home

Where you live can have a huge impact on your university experience. If you like to explore and don't mind commuting to campus, you might prefer off-campus housing. If you want to be closer to your classes and campus services, you may prefer living in residence.

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/admitted/find-housing](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/admitted/find-housing)

### RESIDENCE LIFE

Living in residence makes it easy for students to meet new people, live in an academic atmosphere, get help for personal needs, and be close to all that UBC has to offer. Our campuses in the Okanagan and Vancouver are both well-connected to their host cities and outdoor recreation opportunities by public transit and transportation routes.

### LIVING OFF CAMPUS

Many of our students live off campus and commute to class by bike, public transit, or car. Students who choose to live off campus can access our on-campus Collegia, spaces where you can meet with friends, heat up food, and relax between classes.



### DARCY B.

TORONTO, CANADA  
SOCIOLOGY & GEOGRAPHY

*“Living in a first-year residence is a fantastic way to meet new people and create a community on campus.”*



#### Are you part of any communities that have been especially meaningful?

The first-year residences' Pride collectives have been extremely meaningful for me. Over the past two years I've been organizing events for the Pride collectives that have ranged from board game nights to student panels to hikes. Throughout the process I've learned a lot about leadership and support.

#### How do you like living on campus in a student residence?

Living in a first-year residence is a fantastic way to meet new people and create a community on campus. Keep up with events happening in your residence by checking social media and the posters on your floor - there are almost always things going on and new people to connect with.

#### What's the best part about living in Vancouver? What do you like to do off campus?

The best part about living in Vancouver is being so close to both nature and the city. I love the ability to go shopping, eat out, see a movie, and go to the beach all in the same afternoon.



### SKYLER V.

MANILA, PHILIPPINES  
ECONOMICS

*“The best part about living off campus is having a bigger space to yourself and being able to decide whether you want to live alone or with a roommate.”*



#### Why did you choose UBC?

Because of its international community. I wanted a university that would help me meet new people with new perspectives, and I think UBC delivered on that.

#### What makes UBC distinctive from other universities?

Its sense of community. The environment in the classroom and around campus is very positive, making it easy for meaningful connections to be made. The interconnectedness has made UBCO feel more like a home than a university.

#### What's the best part of living off campus?

The best part about living off campus is having a bigger space to yourself and being able to decide whether you want to live alone or with a roommate. I also appreciate the life experience I've gained from living in an apartment.





## Find your focus

UBC students have access to degrees in every major discipline, including innovative offerings in emerging disciplines, interdisciplinary studies, and dual-degree programs. Here are just a few examples.

### FIRST-YEAR STUDY OPTIONS

#### ARTS ONE AND COORDINATED ARTS PROGRAM

Learn from a multidisciplinary team of instructors in a small and supportive cohort. Choose Arts One for a writing-intensive program with a humanities focus, or choose the Coordinated Arts Program to explore subjects in one of five streams (Media Studies; Global Citizens; Individual and Society; Law and Society; or Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics).

#### LAND ONE

Get hands-on experience in small classes for your core courses through this integrated program for Forestry and Land and Food Systems (Applied Biology; or Food, Nutrition, and Health) students. Land One gives first-year students the opportunity to develop valuable relationships with instructors and peers, while diving into content that is directly connected to current land issues.

#### SCIENCE ONE AND COORDINATED SCIENCE PROGRAM

Explore scientific questions with a small group of like-minded students using concepts from biology, chemistry, physics, and math. Apply to Science One for a focus on research and independent work, or choose the Coordinated Science Program for supportive group learning and hands-on activities in weekly workshops.

#### VANTAGE ONE

Earn first-year degree credits while you develop your academic English in a cohort-based, 11-month program that prepares you for a smooth transition to second year.

### INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

#### DATA SCIENCE

Use statistics and computer science to have an impact on society as a business and data analyst, a data architect, or a statistician.

#### MEDIA STUDIES

Prepare for a professional career in media by exploring eight arts disciplines and computer science through theory, research, and application.

#### PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS, AND ECONOMICS

Learn how to analyze the rules that govern us, examine decision-making in an increasingly globalized marketplace, and develop informed opinions about the world we live in.

### DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS

#### BACHELOR & MASTER OF MANAGEMENT DUAL DEGREE

Pursue a subject you're passionate about and concurrently earn a postgraduate degree from the UBC Sauder School of Business, one of the world's most prestigious business schools.

#### SCIENCES PO & UBC DUAL BACHELOR OF ARTS

Study in Canada and France and earn degrees from UBC and France's Sciences Po, a research-intensive university specializing in social sciences and humanities.

### BY THE NUMBERS

**42** UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

**18** FACULTIES

**20** SCHOOLS

**6,057** FACULTY MEMBERS

**\$699M** IN RESEARCH FUNDING

**98%** OF FULL-TIME FACULTY HAVE PhDs

### BY THE NUMBERS

**350,000** ALUMNI IN 150+ COUNTRIES

**20** 3M NATIONAL TEACHING FELLOWS

**214** COMPANIES SPUN FROM UBC RESEARCH

**3** CANADIAN PRIME MINISTERS

**71** RHODES SCHOLARS

**8** NOBEL LAUREATES

## Life after UBC



### ANGELA S.

STRATEGY AND BUSINESS CONSULTANT  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY  
+ MASTER OF MANAGEMENT DUAL DEGREE, 2018  
FROM JAKARTA, INDONESIA  
LIVING IN DÜSSELDORF, GERMANY

*"UBC helped me discover my strengths, uncover my weaknesses, and hone my character. All of these three aspects help me today, not just in my current job, but also in daily life."*

*"In the beginning, I only expected to learn theories and build some hard and soft skills. In the end, I learned how to learn, I learned how to build relationships, and I learned who I am."*



### COLE E.

FOUNDER, HEG & ASSOCIATES EXPLORATION SERVICES  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, 2017  
FROM WHITE ROCK, CANADA  
LIVING IN KELOWNA, CANADA

*"UBC has a unique way of bringing people from all walks of life around the world together to create a strong sense of community and build lifelong friendships."*

*"UBC gave me the academic and professional foundation I needed to get where I want to go, and helped me develop lifelong friends along the way. The taller the building, the bigger the foundation."*

Other program options

→ [you.ubc.ca/programs](https://you.ubc.ca/programs)

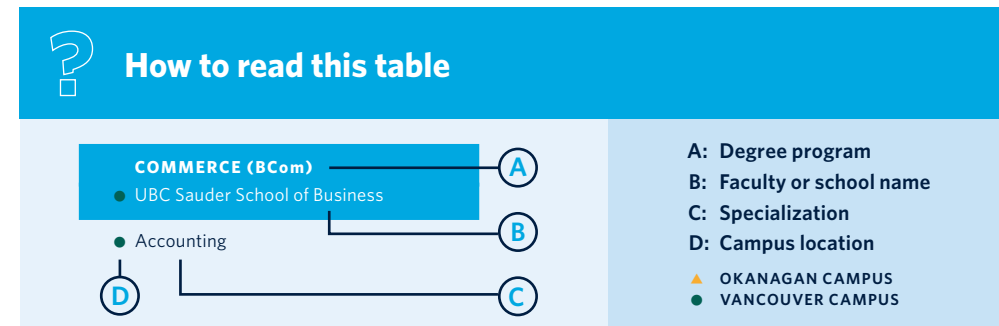
Find more alumni stories at

→ [alumni.ubc.ca/category/profiles](https://alumni.ubc.ca/category/profiles)



# Deepen your knowledge

UBC offers degrees in every major field of study, with many opportunities for specialization and a wide range of options for enriching your education, both on campus and off.



## APPLIED BIOLOGY (BSc APBI)

- Faculty of Land and Food Systems
- Applied Animal Biology (honours option)
- Sustainable Agriculture and Environment (honours option)

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- APPLIED BIOLOGY + MANAGEMENT (BSc APBI + MM)

- OTHER OPTIONS:**
- ▲ Majors listed above and minors in Arts, Commerce, Fermentations, Science, or Sustainable Food Systems
  - Co-op education
  - Internship opportunities
  - Community service opportunities
  - International exchange opportunities
  - Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## APPLIED SCIENCE (ENGINEERING) (BAsc)

- ▲ School of Engineering
- Faculty of Applied Science

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- ▲ Civil Engineering (Resilient Infrastructure Management option on the Okanagan campus)
- Computer Engineering
- ▲ Electrical Engineering (Mechatronics option on the Okanagan campus, Biomedical Engineering option on both campuses)
- Engineering Physics
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Engineering (offered jointly with the University of Northern BC; apply at [unbc.ca](http://unbc.ca))
- Geological Engineering
- Integrated Engineering
- ▲ Manufacturing Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- ▲ Mechanical Engineering (Thermofluids option on the Vancouver campus, Biomedical Engineering and Mechatronics options on both campuses)
- Mining Engineering

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- APPLIED SCIENCE + ARTS (BAsc + BA)

- OTHER OPTIONS:**
- Minors available in Arts, Commerce, Entrepreneurship, Honours Mathematics, and Science
  - ▲ Minors available in Computer Science and Management
  - ▲ Enriched first-year Applied Science with integrated academic English: Vantage One

- ▲ Pre-Med alternative path
- ▲ Co-op education
- ▲ Mentorship and leadership opportunities
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities

## ARTS (BA)

- ▲ Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies
- ▲ Irving K. Barber Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- Faculty of Arts

- African Studies (minor)
- Anthropological Archaeology (minor)
- ▲ Anthropology
- Applied Music Technology (minor)
- Archaeology (area of focus)
- Art History
- ▲ Art History and Visual Culture
- Asian Area Studies
- Asian Canadian and Asian Migration Studies (minor)
- Asian Language and Culture (China; Chinese Literature; Japan; Korea; South Asia)
- Canadian Studies
- Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies (Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology; Classical Studies; Classics; Near Eastern Studies and Egyptology; Religious Studies)
- Cognitive Systems (Cognition and the Brain; Language; Mind, Language, and Computation)
- Commerce (minor)
- Computer Science
- ▲ Creative Writing (minor on the Vancouver campus)
- Critical Studies in Sexuality (minor)
- ▲ Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Education (minor) (Community, Adult, and Higher Education; Early Childhood Education; Interpersonal Development; Language Learning and Teaching; Special Education)
- ▲ English (Literature, Language, or Language and Literature on the Vancouver campus)
- Environment and Society (minor)
- Family Studies (minor)
- Film Studies
- First Nations and Endangered Languages
- First Nations and Indigenous Studies
- ▲ French
- ▲ French and Spanish
- ▲ Gender and Women's Studies
- Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Social Justice
- ▲ General Studies
- Geographical Information Science and Geographical Computation (minor)
- ▲ Geography (Human Geography or Environment and Sustainability on the Vancouver campus)
- German

A full list of options is available online.

→ [you.ubc.ca/programs](http://you.ubc.ca/programs)

- German Studies (minor)
- Health and Society (minor)
- ▲ History
- History and Philosophy of Science
- Indigenous Studies
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- ▲ International Relations
- Italian (minor)
- Jewish Studies (minor)
- Land and Food Systems (minor) (Applied Animal Biology; Sustainable Agriculture and Environment; Food and Resource Economics; Food Science; Nutritional Sciences)
- Latin American Studies
- Law and Society (minor)
- Linguistics
- ▲ Mathematics
- ▲ Medieval Renaissance Studies (minor)
- Medieval Studies
- Middle East Studies (minor)
- Modern European Studies
- Museum Studies (area of focus)
- Music
- ▲ Philosophy
- ▲ Philosophy, Politics, and Economics
- ▲ Political Science
- Psychology
- Religion, Program in the Study of
- Romance Studies (honours)
- Russian (minor)
- Scandinavian Studies (minor)
- Science Studies (minor)
- ▲ Sociology
- ▲ Spanish (minor)
- Spanish (Hispanic Studies)
- Speech Sciences
- ▲ Theatre (minor on the Okanagan campus)
- United States Studies
- Urban Studies (minor)
- Visual Art

- Design in Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Urbanism (BDes)
- School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

## DESIGN IN ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, AND URBANISM (BDes)

- Dental Hygiene
- Dental Science (BDSc)
- Faculty of Dentistry
- Education (BEd)
- ▲ School of Education
- Faculty of Education
- ▲ Teaching Children (Kindergarten to Grade 5) or Teaching Adolescents (Grades 6 to 9+)\*
- Elementary & Middle Years\*
- NITEP — Indigenous Teacher Education Program
- Secondary Years\*
- West Kootenay Rural Teacher Education Program (WKTEP)\*

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS\*:

- EDUCATION + FOOD, NUTRITION, AND HEALTH (BEd + BSc FNH)
- EDUCATION + FOREST SCIENCES (BEd + BSc FS)
- EDUCATION + KINESIOLOGY (BEd + BKin)
- EDUCATION + MATHEMATICS (BEd + BSc)
- EDUCATION + MUSIC (BEd + BMus)
- EDUCATION + NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION (BEd + BSc NRC)
- EDUCATION + PHYSICS (BEd + BSc)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Majors, double majors, combined majors, honours, minors, and areas of focus
- Double majors in Arts and Science, and minors in Arts, Commerce, Education, Land and Food Systems, or Science
- Interdisciplinary first-year programs: Arts One and Coordinated Arts
- Enriched first-year Arts with integrated academic English: Vantage One
- ▲ Co-op education
- ▲ Internship opportunities
- ▲ Service learning opportunities
- ▲ International learning opportunities
- ▲ Research opportunities
- ▲ Mentorship and leadership opportunities

## COMMERCE (BCom)

- UBC Sauder School of Business
- Accounting
- Business and Computer Science (combined major)
- Business Technology Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Finance
- General Business Management

- Global Supply Chain and Logistics Management
- International Business (secondary specialization)
- Marketing
- Operations and Logistics
- Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources
- Real Estate

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTION:

- COMMERCE + BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG (BCom + BBA)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Specializations, combined major in Business and Computer Science, minors in Arts or Science, and concentrations in Business Analytics, Business Law, or Sustainability and Social Impact
- Co-op education
- Mentorship programs
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities
- Commerce Scholars Program, Portfolio Management Foundation Program, UBC Sauder Philanthropy Program, Sauder Social Entrepreneurship Program, Creative Destruction Lab West

## DESIGN IN ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, AND URBANISM (BDes)

- School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

## DENTAL SCIENCE (BDSc)

- Faculty of Dentistry

## DENTAL HYGIENE

- Dental Hygiene

## EDUCATION (BEd)

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- EDUCATION + NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION (BEd + BSc NRC)
- EDUCATION + PHYSICS (BEd + BSc)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Community field experience opportunities in various educational settings
- Program specializations available based on teachable subject area

Notes:  
\* Entry after completion of a bachelor's degree

## FINE ARTS (BFA)

- ▲ Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies
- Faculty of Arts

- Acting
- Creative Writing\*
- Film Production
- Theatre Design and Production
- ▲ Visual Art

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- FINE ARTS + MANAGEMENT (BFA + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Select minors offered by the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences or the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies
- Majors, double majors, honours, and minors
- Double majors in Arts or Science, and minors in Arts, Commerce, Education, Land and Food Systems, or Science

- Interdisciplinary first-year programs: Arts One and Coordinated Arts
- ▲ Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- ▲ Service learning opportunities
- ▲ International learning opportunities
- Research opportunities
- ▲ Mentorship and leadership opportunities

Notes:  
\* Entry with third-year standing

## FOOD, NUTRITION, AND HEALTH (BSc FNH)

- Faculty of Land and Food Systems

- Dietetics
- Food and Nutritional Sciences (double major)
- Food, Nutrition, and Health
- Food Science
- Nutritional Sciences

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- FOOD, NUTRITION, AND HEALTH + EDUCATION (BSc FNH + BEd)
- FOOD, NUTRITION, AND HEALTH + MANAGEMENT (BSc FNH + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Majors listed above and minors in Arts, Commerce, Fermentations, Kinesiology, Science, or Sustainable Food Systems
- Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities
- Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## FOOD AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS (BSc FRE)\*

- Faculty of Land and Food Systems

- Food Market Developments
- Land, Resources and Environment
- Food and Resource Economics

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- FOOD AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS + MANAGEMENT (BSc FRE + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Topic themes above and minors in Arts, Fermentations, Science, or Sustainable Food Systems
- Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- Community services opportunities
- International exchange opportunities

## FORESTRY (BSF)

- Faculty of Forestry

- Forest Operations
- Forest Resources Management

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- FORESTRY + MANAGEMENT (BSF + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Forest Operations: Specialization in Harvest Planning and Engineering (option to add a minor in Commerce)
- Forest Resources Management: Specialization in Community and Aboriginal Forestry (option to add a minor in Commerce), or Integrated Resource Management
- Co-op education
- Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## FOREST BIOECONOMY SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY (BSc BEST)

- Faculty of Forestry

- Other Options:
- Co-op education
- Minor in Commerce
- Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## FOREST SCIENCES (BSc FS)

- Faculty of Forestry

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- FOREST SCIENCES + EDUCATION (BSc FS + BEd)
- FOREST SCIENCES + MANAGEMENT (BSc FS + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Co-op education
- Honours
- Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## GLOBAL RESOURCE SYSTEMS (BSc GRS)\*

- Faculty of Land and Food Systems

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- GLOBAL RESOURCE SYSTEMS + MANAGEMENT (BSc GRS + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Regional specializations in Africa, the Americas, Asia Pacific, or Europe
- Resource specializations in Food and Resource Economics, Food Security, Global Health, or Human Ecology
- Minors in Arts, Commerce, Fermentations, Science, or Sustainable Food Systems
- Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities

Notes:  
\* Second-year entry after year one in Arts, Land and Food Systems (Food, Nutrition, and Health; Applied Biology), or Science

## HUMAN KINETICS (BHK)

- ▲ Faculty of Health and Social Development

- ▲ Clinical Exercise Physiology
- ▲ Health Promotion

- ▲ Co-op education
- ▲ Community service opportunities
- ▲ International exchange opportunities
- ▲ Minors in Arts or Science
- ▲ Honours research project

## INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS (BIE)

- Vancouver School of Economics (within the Faculty of Arts)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Minors in all disciplines available to Arts students, except Commerce and Economics
- Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- Service learning opportunities
- International learning opportunities
- Research opportunities
- Mentorship and leadership opportunities
- Academic Track

## KINESIOLOGY (BKin)

- School of Kinesiology (within the Faculty of Education)

- Multidisciplinary Science
- Neuromechanical & Physiological Sciences
- Social & Behavioural Sciences

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- KINESIOLOGY + EDUCATION (BKin + BEd)
- KINESIOLOGY + MANAGEMENT (BKin + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Minors in Arts, Commerce, Nutritional Sciences, or Science
- Co-op education
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities

## MANAGEMENT (BMgrt)

- ▲ Faculty of Management

- ▲ Integrated Management

## OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Areas of focus in Entrepreneurship, Human Resources, Marketing, Operations/Supply Chain Management, Disaster/Pandemic Response Management, Sustainability, Technology, and Social, Economic and/or Organizational Change
- ▲ Minors in Computer Science, Cultural Studies, Economics, Psychology, or Sociology
- ▲ Co-op education
- ▲ Community service opportunities
- ▲ International exchange opportunities
- ▲ Capstone Service Learning and Consulting
- ▲ Live Case Challenge

## MASTER OF MANAGEMENT (MM)

- ▲ Faculty of Management
- UBC Sauder School of Business

- Dual degree with BA, BFA, BKin, BMS, BMus, BSc, BSc APBI, BSc FNH, BSc FRE, BSc FS, BSc GRS, BSc NRC, BSc WPP, or BSF

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Co-op education\*
- Internship opportunities\*
- ▲ Community service opportunities\*
- International exchange opportunities\*
- ▲ Cohort-based, part-time, online and in-residence program for working professionals
- ▲ Two-week, intensive, in-residence sessions each July
- Community Business Project with social enterprises and not-for-profits

Notes:  
\* Available through undergraduate faculties on the Vancouver campus

## MEDIA STUDIES (BMS)

- ▲ Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies
- Faculty of Arts

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- MEDIA STUDIES + MANAGEMENT (BMS + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Minors (in Arts, Commerce, Education, Land and Food Systems, or Science on the Vancouver campus)
- ▲ Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- ▲ Service learning opportunities
- ▲ International learning opportunities
- ▲ Research opportunities
- ▲ Mentorship and leadership opportunities

## MUSIC (BMus)\*

- School of Music (within the Faculty of Arts)

- General Studies (GMUS) with a concentration in any offered instrument/voice
- General Studies in Secondary Education (GSSM)
- General Studies in Elementary Education (GSEM)
- Composition
- Performance (Orchestral Instruments, Voice, Opera, Piano, Organ, Harpsichord, Guitar)
- Music Scholarship (3rd-year entry)

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- MUSIC + EDUCATION (BMus + BEd)
- MUSIC + SCIENCE (BMus + BSc)
- MUSIC + MANAGEMENT (BMus + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- BA with a major in Music (see ARTS)
- Co-op education
- Internship opportunities
- Community service opportunities
- International exchange opportunities

Notes:  
\* Admission to the BMus requires an audition (in-person or via video).

## NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION (BSc NRC)

- Faculty of Forestry

- Global Perspectives
- Science and Management

### DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION + EDUCATION (BSc NRC + BEd)
- NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION + MANAGEMENT (BSc NRC + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Co-op education
- Interdisciplinary first-year program: Land One

## NURSING (BSN)

- ▲ School of Nursing (within the Faculty of Health and Social Development)
- School of Nursing (within the Faculty of Applied Science)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Advanced 400-level lectures and practice courses in mental health, community health, global health, and gerontology.

Notes:  
▲ Direct entry  
● Third-year entry; preference given to citizens and permanent residents of Canada

## PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES (BPhSc)

- Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- Honours
- Optional research or practicum placement in fourth year

## SCIENCE (BSc)

- ▲ Irving K. Barber Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Science

- Astronomy
- Atmospheric Science
- Behavioural Neuroscience
- Biochemistry
- ▲ Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- ▲ Biology
- Biophysics
- Biotechnology (offered jointly with BCIT)
- Cellular, Anatomical, and Physiological Sciences (CAPS)
- ▲ Chemistry
- Cognitive Systems (Cognition and Brain, or Computational Intelligence and Design)
- Combined Major in Science
- ▲ Computer Science
- ▲ Data Science
- ▲ Earth and Environmental Sciences
- ▲ Earth and Ocean Sciences
- ▲ Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- ▲ Economics
- ▲ Environmental Chemistry
- Environmental Sciences
- Forensic Science (offered jointly with BCIT)
- ▲ Freshwater Science
- ▲ General Science
- Geographical Sciences
- Geology
- Geophysics
- ▲ Geospatial Information Science (minor)
- Integrated Sciences
- Mathematical Sciences
- ▲ Mathematics
- Mathematics and Economics
- ▲ Microbiology
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Oceanography (combined with other subjects)
- Pharmacology
- ▲ Physics
- ▲ Physics and Mathematics
- ▲ Psychology
- ▲ Statistics
- Statistics and Economics
- ▲ Zoology

## DUAL-DEGREE OPTIONS:

- SCIENCE + ARTS (BSc + BA)
- SCIENCE + EDUCATION (BSc + BEd)
- SCIENCE + MUSIC (BSc + BMus)
- SCIENCE + MANAGEMENT (BSc + MM)

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- ▲ Majors, double majors, combined majors, honours, minors, and



## You'll find it online

Search UBC's academic offerings by program, degree, or campus. Or simply type in a few keywords and see what comes up.

→ [you.ubc.ca/programs](https://you.ubc.ca/programs)



## How to apply

**APPLY TO UBC BY  
JANUARY 15, 2021**



**Or by December 1, 2020 to be considered  
for entrance scholarships** (see page 30).

Ready to join the UBC community? It's time to apply. Follow the steps below and you'll be closer to studying at one of the top universities in the world alongside other bright students and expert faculty.

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/how-to-apply/application](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/how-to-apply/application)

### 1 CHOOSE YOUR DEGREE AND CAMPUS

When you complete your application, you will have the opportunity to select your first and second choice of degree. The degrees you choose can be in different faculties and on different campuses. You will be evaluated for your second choice only if you are not admitted to your first choice, or if you contact the Admissions Office to request that UBC evaluate your second choice.

### 2 REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS

Make sure you meet UBC's general admission requirements and degree-specific requirements, and demonstrate English language competency. See pages 22 to 25 for information on UBC's admission requirements.

### 3 COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION

Create or log in to your UBC account to prepare your online application. Be sure to give yourself plenty of time to complete the Personal Profile section – it plays an important role in the university's admission decisions (see page 26). Submit your application and pay the non-refundable fee by January 15, 2021. Certain degrees may require additional fees.

**Fee for Canadian citizens and permanent residents: \$71.75**

**Fee for international students who require a study permit: \$120.75**

## Ready to get started?

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc)

All figures are in Canadian dollars.  
Dates are subject to change. For updates, please visit [you.ubc.ca/deadlines](https://you.ubc.ca/deadlines)

## How does UBC make admission decisions?

UBC's admission process is competitive and comparative. First, we make sure you meet the university's admission requirements. Are you on track to graduate from high school (or already graduated)? Can you demonstrate a certain level of English? Do you meet the specific requirements for the degree you're applying to? If you meet these admission requirements, we take a closer look at your application.

UBC will consider your grades, your choices of courses, and your experiences beyond academics that you share in your Personal Profile. Specifically, we look at your grades in all Grade 11 (junior-level) and Grade 12 (senior-level) classes, paying special attention to courses that relate to the degree you're applying to. We also look at your courses to see if you pursued all of your academic interests, challenged yourself, and demonstrated knowledge in your chosen area of study.

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/applied/application-evaluation](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/applied/application-evaluation)





# Admission requirements

To be considered for admission to UBC, you must meet our general admission requirements and degree-specific requirements, and demonstrate English language competency.

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements)

## GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR CANADIAN CURRICULA

CURRICULUM	REQUIREMENTS	Additional requirements for Vancouver campus programs
<b>ALL PROVINCES</b> (Except Quebec)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation from high school. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to present a minimum of six academic/non-academic Grade 12 courses.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A minimum of 70% in either Grade 11 or Grade 12 English (or equivalent)</li> </ul>
<b>QUEBEC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Entry to Year 1:</b> Minimum one year of study at a CEGEP, with a minimum of 12 appropriate academic pre-university courses (excluding courses numbered 109), including two courses in either English (603) or French (601)</li> <li><b>Entry to Year 2:</b> Minimum two years of study at a CEGEP, completing an academic pre-university DEC, including a minimum of two courses in either English (603) or French (601)</li> </ul>	
<b>CANADIAN ABORIGINAL APPLICANTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet the university's general and program-specific requirements</li> <li>If you do not meet your program's competitive admission criteria and you are an Aboriginal person of Canada, UBC will consider your application for certain programs using the Aboriginal Admission Policy. For more information on the policy, visit <a href="https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/aboriginal">you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/aboriginal</a> and <a href="https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/aboriginal/ok">you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/aboriginal/ok</a></li> <li>If you do not meet the university's general admission requirements, we encourage you to consider one of the many pathways to UBC, including the Aboriginal Access Studies program at UBC Okanagan, the UBC-Langara Aboriginal Transfer Partnership at UBC Vancouver, or one of a number of transfer options in the province. For more information, visit <a href="https://students.ok.ubc.ca/aboriginal/access">students.ok.ubc.ca/aboriginal/access</a> and <a href="https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/university-college-transfer/aboriginal-transfer-partnership">you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/university-college-transfer/aboriginal-transfer-partnership</a></li> </ul>	

## GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL CURRICULA

CURRICULUM	REQUIREMENTS	Additional requirements for Vancouver campus programs
<b>AMERICAN SCHOOL SYSTEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation from an academic or college preparation program at a U.S. regionally accredited school. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to present a minimum of six academic and non-academic Grade 12 courses.</li> <li>English (composition/literature) to the senior level. ESL English courses are not acceptable to satisfy English requirements for admission.</li> <li>Three years of mathematics to the junior level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAT 1 or ACT. In countries where the SAT and ACT are unavailable, exemptions may be granted. UBC's SAT institution code is 0965 and its ACT institution code is 5259. The optional SAT essay section is recommended, but not required.</li> <li>AP courses completed as part of the high school curriculum may be used to meet admission requirements.</li> </ul>
<b>BRITISH-PATTERNED SYSTEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standing in at least six academic subject areas (GCSE, AS Levels, A Levels), including English, with at least three academic A Levels or six AS Levels.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A subject may not be counted at both A Level and GCSE.</li> <li>A minimum grade of C in English Literature or English Language at the GCSE, Advanced Subsidiary, or A Level</li> </ul>
<b>FRENCH BACCALAURÉAT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of the baccalauréat général or the baccalauréat général (option internationale). All sections – S (scientifique), L (littéraire), or ES (économique et sociale) are eligible for consideration.</li> <li>The baccalauréat technologique may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis. The baccalauréat professionnel does not comprise a basis of admission to UBC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Math Informatique does not satisfy the math requirement for admission to UBC's science-based programs, the Faculty of Management, the UBC Sauder School of Business, or the Vancouver School of Economics.</li> </ul>
<b>INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>IB Diploma Programme</b></li> <li>Completed IB Diploma, including at least three Higher Level courses.</li> <li><b>IB Certificate Courses</b></li> <li>IB Certificate courses (Standard and Higher Level) may be used in an admissions average if you are graduating from a recognized high school curriculum that can be used as your basis of admission.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IB Math Applications and Interpretations SL or IB Math Studies do not satisfy the math requirement for admission to UBC's science-based programs, the Faculty of Management, the UBC Sauder School of Business, or the Vancouver School of Economics.</li> <li>Students who complete the IB Diploma in English are required to achieve a minimum score of 3 in an IB Group 1 English course at either Standard or Higher Level.</li> </ul>
<b>OTHER INTERNATIONAL CURRICULA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation from a university preparatory program at a senior secondary school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students completing a secondary school curriculum for which English is the language of instruction must meet a specified minimum in an English course to at least the junior, Grade 11, or GCSE level of study.</li> </ul>

## DEGREE-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AND SUBJECT CATEGORIES

Each UBC degree has its own set of requirements for admission, which may vary depending on where you attended high school and which UBC campus you plan to attend. To determine the requirements specific to you and the degree(s) you're applying for, visit [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements)

No matter what degree you apply for, UBC will broadly evaluate your academic history by looking at your grades in all academic Grade 11 (junior-level) and Grade 12 (senior-level) courses. This does not include applied design, skills, and technologies courses; career education courses; physical and health education courses; or faith-based courses, although presenting these courses may be beneficial if related to your intended area of study.

Based on the degree you apply for, UBC will also look at a core assessment of your grades from all academic Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses that fall within related subject categories. If you present a course at both the Grade 11 and Grade 12 level, emphasis is placed on the more senior-level course. The categories are as follows, with a few sample courses for each. For a comprehensive list, visit [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements)

LANGUAGE ARTS	MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTATION	SCIENCES	SECOND LANGUAGES	SOCIAL STUDIES	VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS
Courses in this category focus on language and literacy. Some examples are: Creative Writing, English, English First Peoples, English/French Literature.	Courses in this category focus on numeracy, numerical methods, and symbolic computation. Some examples include: Calculus, Computer Science, Mathematics, Pre-Calculus, Statistics.	Courses in this category help us better understand our natural world. Some examples are: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Geology, Physics.	This includes all second-language courses, but does not include introductory Grade 11 language courses. Some examples are: French, Japanese, Spanish.	Courses in this category focus on individuals, human society, and culture. Some examples include: Comparative World Religions, Contemporary Indigenous Studies, Economics, Ethics, Geography, History, Law Studies, Media Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Justice.	Courses in this category focus on artistic expression. Some examples include: Drama, Media Arts, Music.

### TRANSFER STUDENTS

UBC welcomes qualified students wishing to transfer from another post-secondary institution from Canada or outside of Canada. To find out the requirements and eligibility for transferring to UBC, visit [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements/university-college-transfer](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements/university-college-transfer)

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMPETENCY

English is the language of instruction at UBC. To study here, you must meet the English Language Admission Standard. The most common ways to meet the English Language Admission Standard are to achieve a minimum score on a recognized English proficiency test – such as the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) – or to complete four years of schooling and/or achieve certain grades in senior-level academic courses at a recognized English-speaking school.

### ENGLISH PROFICIENCY TEST SCORES

If you attend a non-English-speaking school, you can be considered for admission to UBC by achieving a minimum overall CAEL score of 50-70, IELTS score of 5.0-6.5, or TOEFL score of 70-90. **For UBC's standard, direct-entry degrees, your score must exceed these ranges.** It is recommended that students submit test scores at the time of application if possible.

→ [you.ubc.ca/english-language-competency](https://you.ubc.ca/english-language-competency)

## FIRST-YEAR PATHWAYS

For academically outstanding degree-seeking students whose English proficiency test scores are within the ranges specified in the previous section, UBC offers the following programs:

### VANTAGE ONE

Begin your studies immediately in one of three academic streams while simultaneously developing your academic English abilities. After successfully completing this 11-month program, you can transition directly into the second year of your chosen degree. Available to first-year international students only. [vantagecollege.ubc.ca](https://vantagecollege.ubc.ca)

### CONDITIONAL ADMISSION PROGRAM

As a conditionally admitted student, you will be accepted into your chosen degree on the condition that you develop your academic English to the required standard through this intensive English program. Available at UBC Vancouver only. [you.ubc.ca/conditional-admission-program](https://you.ubc.ca/conditional-admission-program)

### ENGLISH FOUNDATION PROGRAM

As a student in the English Foundation Program, you will complete intensive English language training and academic courses while taking part in campus life. Available at UBC Okanagan only. [students.ok.ubc.ca/efp](https://students.ok.ubc.ca/efp)



# Planning for your degree

It's never too early to start thinking about what you'll study at UBC. Knowing which degrees you're interested in applying to will help you choose your Grade 11 (junior-year) and Grade 12 (senior-year) courses accordingly. Here's a worksheet to help you plan ahead.

## WHAT ARE YOUR GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

Review your general admission requirements on page 22.

## WHAT DEGREES YOU ARE CONSIDERING APPLYING FOR?

When you apply, you can select your **first** and **second choice** of degree.

## WHICH CAMPUS IS THE DEGREE OFFERED AT?

## WHAT ARE THE DEGREE-SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS?

Find the admission requirements specific to each UBC degree at [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements](http://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements)

## WHAT ARE THE RELATED SUBJECT CATEGORIES?

See page 23 to learn more.

## WHAT COURSES DOES YOUR HIGH SCHOOL OFFER IN THESE SUBJECT CATEGORIES?

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## Review your requirements

Requirements for admission to UBC depend on where you attended high school, which UBC campus you hope to attend, and which degree you're applying for. To see which requirements are relevant to you, visit:

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements](http://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/requirements)



### DOODLE ZONE

Use this space to brainstorm ideas, take notes, and imagine your future at UBC. Or just draw something cool.



## What's your story?

Admission to UBC is competitive. Meeting the minimum general and degree-specific requirements does not necessarily mean you will receive an offer. That's where the Personal Profile section of the online application comes in. It's a chance for you to tell the university what you are most proud of and what you've learned from your experiences, and for the university to determine who receives scholarships.

You can use this worksheet to start thinking about what you'll write in your Personal Profile. Keep in mind that it's more valuable to show the depth of your commitments and responsibilities than the number of activities you've been involved in.

### WHAT ARE SOME ACTIVITIES YOU'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN?

Examples include clubs, family or community responsibilities, employment, athletics, and volunteer roles.

### HOW WOULD YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS DESCRIBE YOU?

What words would they use? How would they describe your character and abilities?

### WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU?

What issues do you care about? Which of your activities best reflect your values?

### WHO COULD COMMENT ON YOUR ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES?

Think of a couple academic and non-academic referees who know you well.

### TIPS FOR CRAFTING YOUR PERSONAL PROFILE

Personal Profile questions require short written responses of 50 to 200 words. Here are three tips to keep in mind:

#### Take time to reflect

Instead of simply listing your accomplishments and experiences, tell us what you've learned from them.

#### Be specific

Use details to provide context and elaborate on your answers.

#### Be true to who you are

Don't focus on what you think we want to hear. Use your own voice and tell us what you want to say.

## For more tips on writing your Personal Profile, visit:

→ [you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/how-to-apply/personal-profile](https://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/how-to-apply/personal-profile)



### AUSTIN B.

OLIVER, CANADA – TSIMSHIAN NATION  
HUMAN KINETICS

*"Don't be afraid to be your true self."*



#### What's the best thing about your program?

The sense of community. Everyone seems to be familiar with each other, including the professors and TAs. Having that sense of community really made me feel comfortable, and like I was a part of something special.

#### Have you been involved in any research programs?

For the past two years, I participated in the Aboriginal Undergraduate Research Mentorship Program. I worked on a project designed to build Indigenous pathways for diabetes and obesity prevention in six urban and rural communities. The program helped me discover opportunities to pursue potential interests in research, and introduced pathways to graduate study programs that I was not previously aware of.

#### What would you say to prospective students who are considering attending UBC?

Don't be afraid to be your true self. Set the tone early, and put yourself out there for the amazing opportunities UBC has to offer. Have fun, study hard, and be sure to create as many life-long memories as you possibly can!

#### What's the best part about living in Kelowna?

The Okanagan lifestyle. Kelowna is home to beautiful scenery and weather. There are plenty of activities to do outside and there are great smaller communities to visit around the city.



*"UBCO has done an incredible job supporting and welcoming the Indigenous student population."*



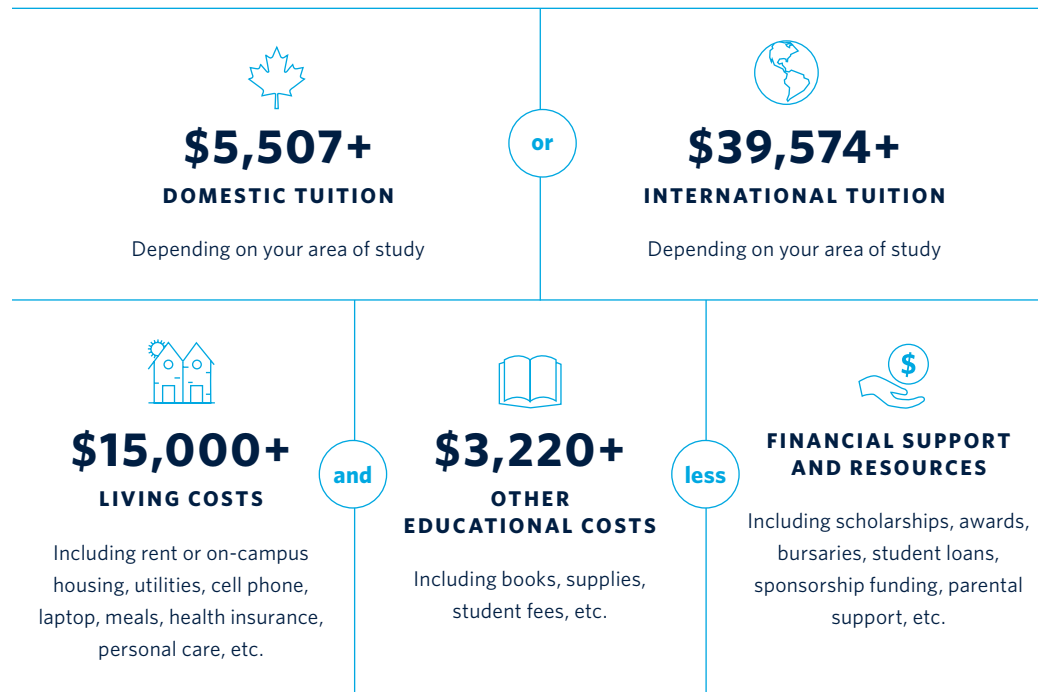
UBC attracts over \$650 million in research funding from government, industry, and not-for-profit partners around the world.



## First-year budget planning

A UBC education is a valuable investment that will pay dividends throughout your life. When you consider the approximate first-year costs, you'll find that UBC's tuition compares favourably with those of other top-ranked universities anywhere in the world.

### BUDGETING FOR FIRST YEAR<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> All figures are estimated in Canadian dollars and based on a full first-year course load in the 2020/21 academic year. Living costs cover an eight-month period and are based on a typical student's experience in residence. Goods and services are subject to inflation, which has remained relatively stable at between 1% and 3% in recent years. Tuition fees are reviewed annually by the Board of Governors, in consultation with students. Most UBC bachelor's degrees take four years of full-time study to complete.



#### Ways to save:

Buy used textbooks

Take advantage of free events and activities

Use your unlimited public transit pass to get around

Use free online video apps to call home

#### AWARDS FOR CANADIAN STUDENTS

UBC works with prospective students and their families to ensure that no eligible Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada is prevented from attending the university for financial reasons alone. With the help of donors, UBC provides more than \$43 million annually in scholarships, bursaries, and career development initiatives to outstanding Canadian undergraduate students.

#### AWARDS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Each year, UBC makes available more than \$20 million from non-public sources to provide scholarships, awards, research grants, and career development initiatives to outstanding international undergraduate students who demonstrate academic excellence and leadership qualities.

#### MORE FINANCIAL PLANNING INFORMATION:

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## Life after UBC



### SADIA B.

DIGITAL CONTENT CREATOR  
 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DIETETICS, 2014  
 FROM VANCOUVER, CANADA  
 LIVING IN EINDHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS

*"Soak it up! My UBC years were some of the best of my life. The late nights and cramming sessions can be intense, but the friends you make and things you learn are unmatched to any other time in your life."*

*"The UBC community that meant the most to me was the students I met while living on campus, especially in my first year. The idea of living away from the comforts of home was a little nerve-wracking at first, but within 10 minutes of living on campus, I felt at home."*



### SPINOZA O.

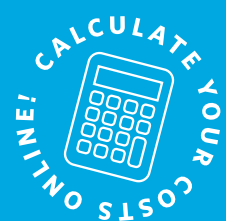
MASTER'S STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE  
 BACHELOR OF MANAGEMENT, 2019  
 FROM GULU, UGANDA  
 LIVING IN CAMBRIDGE, UNITED KINGDOM

*"My UBC education challenged me to critically think about and appreciate the interconnectedness of the global problems of yesterday, today, and tomorrow."*

*"I would encourage new students to build strong relationships with your peers - including those in different courses - because the network you build at UBC will propel you throughout the rest of your life."*

Find more alumni stories at

→ [alumni.ubc.ca/category/profiles](https://alumni.ubc.ca/category/profiles)



### Online cost calculator

Use the university's online cost calculator to refine your estimate and plan for your future.

→ [you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/cost](https://you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/cost)



# Key dates and deadlines



## DECEMBER 1, 2020

### CANADIAN STUDENTS

Deadline to apply for admission for Winter Session (September 2021 to April 2022) if you wish to be considered for:

- A first-round offer of admission
- A Presidential Scholars Award (all Canadian citizens and permanent residents who apply by this date will be automatically considered)
- A Centennial Scholars Entrance Award (**a separate award application is required**)

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Deadline to apply for admission for Winter Session (September 2021 to April 2022) if you would like to be considered for an International Scholars Award. **A separate award application (including nomination) is required.**

You do not need to apply early to be considered for merit-based international entrance scholarships. If you apply by January 15, 2021, you will be automatically considered if you have not already been nominated for an International Scholars Award.

## JANUARY 15, 2021

Deadline to apply for Winter Session (September 2021 to April 2022).

Deadline to apply for Summer Session (May to August 2021).

## MAY 1, 2021

Deadline to apply for residence and be eligible for the first-year residence guarantee. To receive the guarantee, you must also be eligible to live in residence (based on age and academic course load) and accept UBC's offer of admission no later than June 1. If you are considering degrees on both campuses, you must complete a separate residence application for each campus.

## MAY 1 OR JUNE 1, 2021

Deadline for most students to accept UBC's offer of admission.

→ **PLEASE REFER TO YOUR STUDENT SERVICE CENTRE ACCOUNT FOR YOUR ASSIGNED DATE.**

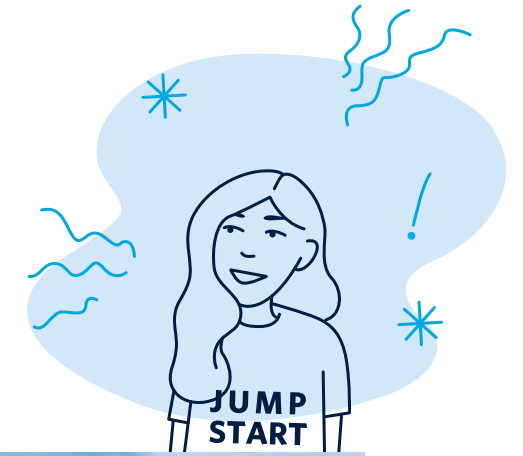
Dates are subject to change. For updates, please visit [you.ubc.ca/deadlines](https://you.ubc.ca/deadlines)



## NITHI S.

KODAIKANAL, INDIA  
MANAGEMENT

*"I learn something new every day from the amazing people around me."*



### Why did you choose UBC?

Something about it felt like home. I come from a small hill station with lakes, mountains, trees, hiking trails, and beautiful skies. The first picture I saw of the Okanagan campus had all of it. For a 17-year-old girl leaving home for the first time, I thought it would be a perfect fit.

### Are you part of any communities that have been especially meaningful?

Being a part of the UBC Student Experience Office as a Jump Start Leader and Peer Mentor is simply amazing. Jump Start is undoubtedly one of the best weeks every year, filled with so much energy, colour, fun and school spirit.

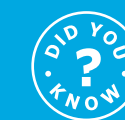
### How have these communities impacted your UBC experience so far?

These experiences have definitely made me a much better person. My leadership, communication and decision-making skills have improved immensely. I learn something new every day from the amazing people around me.

### What's the best part about living in Kelowna?

The best part about living in Kelowna is the outdoors. The mountains, the trees, the breathtaking views, the lakes. My favourite thing to do off campus is to go for a walk with my friends downtown and watch the sunset on the lake. I also love ice skating in the winter.

*"What makes UBC special is the people. It is so diverse, yet you feel at home."*



UBC is ranked the #1 most international university in North America.







## Connect with the UBC community

Here are a few ways to explore life and learning at UBC:

**Explore** UBC online with a virtual tour.

**Attend** an online info session.

**Visit** [you.ubc.ca](https://you.ubc.ca) and find answers to your questions.

**Tour** our campuses with a student ambassador.

**Connect** with a UBC advisor.

**Experience** UBC through the Future Global Leaders program.

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## DOMINIQUE B.

SANTA ANA, USA  
ANTHROPOLOGY & LINGUISTICS

*"UBC is the perfect combination of growth-inspiring challenges and comforting communities."*



**What events or experiences at UBC have been especially meaningful?**

I didn't know a single person before coming to UBC, and was nervous that I wouldn't be able to make friends quickly. Jump Start eliminated those worries on day one. Everyone in Jump Start is in the same boat, and eager to make friends and find community.

**How have the communities you're part of impacted your UBC experience?**

Being a part of communities at UBC has made my experience here more than just school. I've learned so much from my peers, friends, and mentors along my university journey and feel I'm leaving the university as a better scholar, friend, leader, and all-around-person.

**What would you say to students who are considering applying to UBC?**

UBC is the perfect combination of growth-inspiring challenges and comforting communities. It allows you to have a solid community that consistently inspires you and pushes you to be the best you can be.



## SIENNA B.

OLIVER, CANADA  
PSYCHOLOGY

*"I love the energy in Kelowna and all the different opportunities to meet people."*



**How have the communities you're part of impacted your UBC experience?**

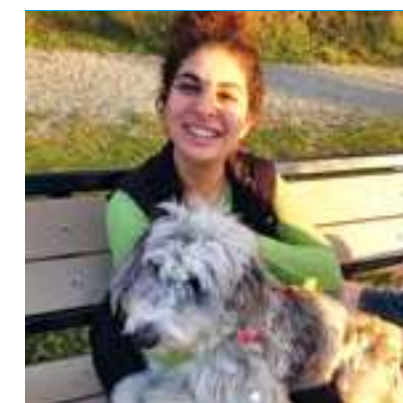
I've really found my people since coming to UBCO, and gotten a better of understanding of who I am and who I want to become.

**You transferred to UBC - what has that experience been like?**

Transferring has been a good experience, and I really appreciate all the resources available at UBCO. The supplemental learning sessions, math and science peer tutoring, and academic advising have all made adjusting and being successful a lot easier.

**What is it like living off campus?**

I like having my own space away from school but still having access to all the resources at school. I love the energy in Kelowna and all the different opportunities to meet people, as well as the beaches and outdoor spaces in the summer.







## FIND YOUR COMMUNITY

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