



University of Victoria

# UVic in the rankings

## A CONCISE GUIDE TO UVIC'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS

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**SPOT LIGHT**

### Decade in Review

University Research Income Growth 1999-2009		
Rank	Comprehensive	% Change
1	University of Victoria	204.6
	Simon Fraser University	131.8

University Research Intensity* Growth 1999-2009		
Rank	Comprehensive	% Change
1	University of Victoria	207.9
	Simon Fraser University	131.8

University Research Publication Growth 1999-2009		
Rank	Comprehensive	% Change
1	University of Victoria	207.9
	Simon Fraser University	131.8

—RESEARCH INFOSOURCE, 5 NOVEMBER 2010

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## University of Victoria vaults into the global elite

The numbers are scaled to the size of the school to prevent larger schools gaining an unfair advantage. This year, rankings scaled back to...

The rankings THE TOP 30

WHERE CANADA STANDS —THE GLOBE AND MAIL, 16 SEPTEMBER 2010

fall out of the top 200 entirely. By contrast, one relative underdog – the University of Victoria – was celebrating last...

THREE SCHOOLS JOIN THE CATEGORY, BUT... Universities in the Comprehensive category have a significant amount of research activity and a wide range of programs at the undergraduate and graduate level, including professional degrees.

OVERALL RANKING	STUDENTS & CLASSES		FACULTY	RESEARCH	SPECIAL SERVICES & SUPPORTS	MEDICAL & NURSING
	LAST YEAR	STUDENT ACADEMIC				

—MACLEAN'S, 7 NOVEMBER 2011

# A university with global reach

## “Committed to excellence”

The University of Victoria is consistently ranked as one of Canada’s leading research universities by external surveys and UVic students alike. Across the wide array of academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate level, UVic’s focus is on excellence in the core areas of university performance—in teaching and research that benefits our society.

While each ranking system gives different weight to specific performance measures, the consistent appearance of UVic at or near the top in a wide range of rankings demonstrates an extraordinary depth of excellence.

## “A world-class university”

UVic is listed in the elite 200 in the *Times Higher Education’s* 2011 World University Rankings as the top-ranked university in Canada without a medical school. There are only nine Canadian universities in the top 200.

The *THE* global ranking is the only system that includes a section dedicated to the teaching and learning environment—including the first-ever global survey of teaching reputation.

## “A research leader”

In 2011, for the ninth consecutive year, UVic was named a Research University of the Year in Canada by *Research Infosource*. This designation indicates that UVic “demonstrates superior achievement in earning research income and in publishing research in leading scientific journals.”

In the 2010 *Research Infosource* summary of Canada’s research universities, UVic outscored all other comprehensive universities in two out of three measures of research performance over the past decade.



BEING IN THE TOP 200 UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD  
“REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY THE TOP ONE PER CENT  
OF HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS WORLDWIDE, SO  
A PLACE WITHIN IT IS AN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT.”

—Phil Baty, editor of *Times Higher Education*.

## “High levels of student satisfaction”

In the 2012 *Globe and Mail’s Canadian University Report* on students’ overall satisfaction with their university experience, students ranked UVic highly for its quality of teaching and education and its library. This large survey was administered over our entire undergraduate population.

Students praised a number of UVic’s attributes including its not-too-small, not-too-big feeling; the green campus and natural areas; good distance education options; large co-op program, including overseas placements; and its research orientation. The university received a B+ on overall student satisfaction indicators.

## “One of Canada’s best”

UVic has continually placed at or near the top of the comprehensive category in the annual university rankings by *Maclean’s*, Canada’s national news magazine. UVic retained its second place overall ranking among comprehensive universities in 2011, and was cited for excellence in faculty awards, medical science grants, and commitment to student support, including scholarships and bursaries.

## Recognized for inspiring teaching and global impact

UVic is a global research leader in oceans, climate and clean energy technology. In its most recent assessment of the field of energy and fuels, the internationally recognized publication *Science Watch* ranked UVic fifth globally for the impact of its published research in this area.

The influential Academic Ranking of World Universities, created by Shanghai Jiao Tong University, also ranks UVic as one of Canada's leaders in research intensity and an area-specific leader in physics, science and engineering.

UVic's Peter B. Gustavson School of Business is among the top tier of business schools worldwide, accredited by both AACSB and EQUIS. Of more than 12,000 business schools worldwide, there are 66 business schools, or about half of one per cent, with both accreditations.

## The real experts are pleased, too

Our students and alumni have access to a wealth of lived campus, classroom, and off-campus enrichment experiences that are often difficult to reduce into rankings categories. First-hand knowledge of everything UVic has to offer is why our students and grads consistently rank their learning experience at UVic among the best in the country.

- IN A SURVEY of recent graduates, 96 per cent were satisfied or very satisfied with their UVic education.
- 97 PER CENT OF UVIC GRADS are employed within two years of graduation.



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