

# **UVic in the rankings**

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

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# A university with global reach

## An extraordinary depth of excellence

The University of Victoria is consistently ranked as one of Canada's leading research universities by external surveys and UVic students alike. Across its wide array of academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate level, UVic's focus is on excellence in the core areas of university perfor-mance—in teaching, scholarship 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 extraordinary across-the-board achievement.

# "Consistently one of Canada's best"

In 2013, UVic was ranked as the top Canadian comprehensive university by *Maclean's*, Canada's national newsmagazine. This is the seventh consecutive year that UVic placed either first or second in this category.

The university's commitment to quality and achievement in all areas is evident in the results, with UVic ranking in the top three in nine of 12 key performance indicators used to create the *Maclean's* annual report.

# "High levels of student satisfaction"

In the 2013 *Globe and Mail's Canadian University Report* on undergraduate satisfaction with their university experience, students rank UVic highly for its facilities, commitment to sustainability, campus atmosphere and libraries.

UVic receives an A for its buildings and facilities; an A- for libraries, environmental commitment, campus atmosphere and city satisfaction; and a B+ for quality of teaching and learning, class size, student/faculty interaction, recreation and athletics, information technology, career preparation, co-op/internships and reputation with employers. The university receives a B+ for overall student satisfaction.



In 2013, biochemistry student Dylan Collins became the seventh Oxford-bound Rhodes Scholar to be named from UVic in 12 years.

# "A world-class university"

Since 2010, UVic has been rated by *Times Higher Education* (THE) as the top-ranked university in Canada without a medical school. In early 2013, THE also ranked UVic number 20 globally and first in Canada among universities less than 50 years old.

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 hub for international research collaboration

The 2013 Leiden University rankings put UVic ahead of all other Canadian universities in the proportion of internationally coauthored research, based on scientific publications issued from 2008-2011. UVic also retains its place in the top one per cent of universities in the world and among the top-ranked in Canada for scientific impact.

#### "A research leader"

In 2013, for the 11th consecutive year, UVic was named a Research University of the Year in Canada by *Re\$earch Infosource*. This designation indicates that UVic "demon-strates superior achievement in earning research income and in publishing research in leading scientific journals."

In the *Research Infosource* 2010 Decade in Review summary of Canada's research universities, UVic outscored all other comprehensive universities in two out of three measures of research performance from 1999-2009.

# Recognized for research impact and intensity

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 mathematics.

# World-class leadership in a broad mix of fields

The 2014 QS World University Rankings by Subject also recognize UVic's leadership in a broad mix of academic fields. UVic is identified in the top 200 institutions globally for research in six QS subject areas: English language and literature, earth and marine sciences, geography, law, physics and astronomy, and psychology.

The QS subject ranking studied nearly 3,000 of the world's top universities—approximately 15 per cent of all institutions—and ranked fewer than 700 of them for statistically significant subject-specific leadership.

UVic's remarkable strength across a full spectrum of disciplines is also notable. The university is ranked at world-class level in 22 of 30 QS-identified subject areas.

# A globally recognized business program

UVic's Peter B. Gustavson School of Business is in 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.



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