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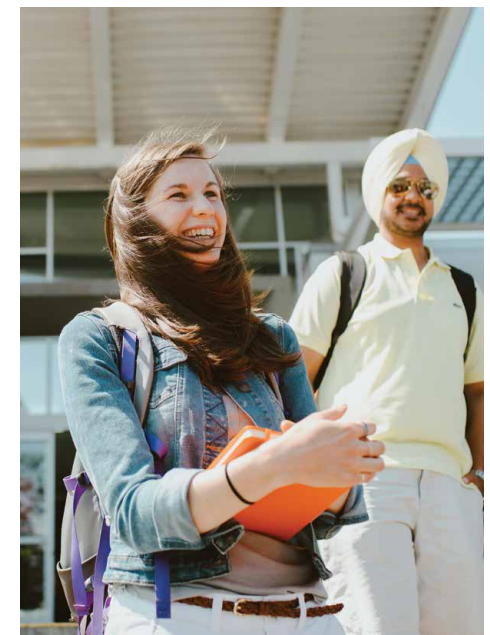
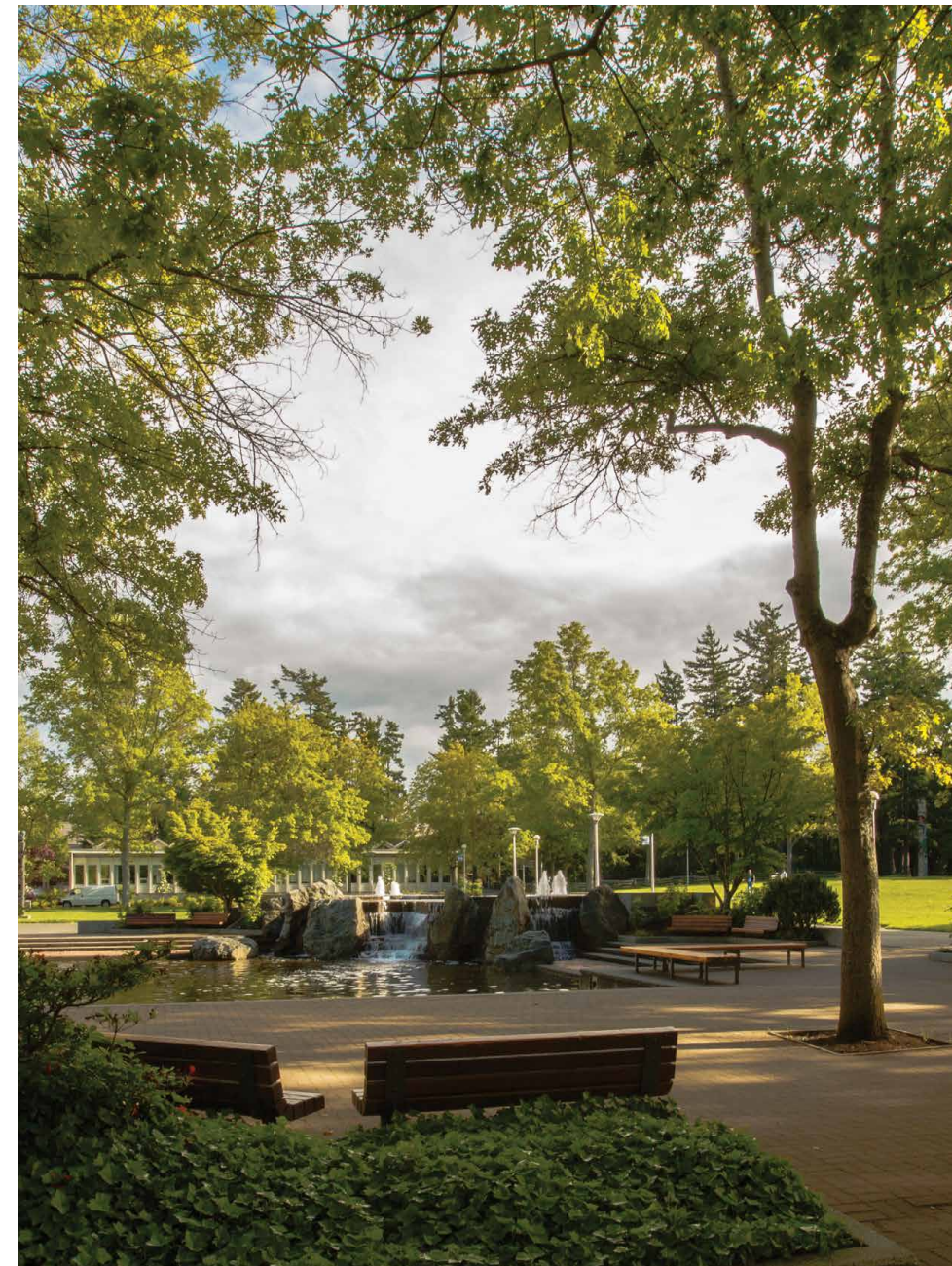
“People at UVic make you feel like you truly belong here. It’s a tight community and the perfect size for anyone who wants to do well at university.”

**Tania Akter**  
Software Engineering  
Bangladesh

Armed with a love of science, fluency in four languages and a passion to make a difference in the world, 18-year-old engineering student Tania Akter left her native Bangladesh a year ago to travel 11,000 km to study at the University of Victoria. “I wanted to go abroad for my education and my friends suggested that Canada was a safe and friendly place to study,” she says. “I searched online and was impressed to find that UVic was ranked 11th in the world and first in Canada for universities under 50 years old in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings.”

Tania was excited about UVic’s strong programs in physics and engineering. “I chose UVic for its well-known co-op program, affordability and strong support for students. As a future engineer, hands-on experience is one of the most important qualities you can have. I can learn something in class and then take it out into the field and apply it immediately—not wait until after I’ve graduated,” she says. “UVic also has a very friendly environment and a lot of support for international students—academic help, clubs, sports and exciting classes like robotics.”

In just one year, she’s worked on an unmanned aerial vehicle and satellite designs, learned to surf, joined a salsa dance club and had mentorship opportunities with UVic’s Women in Engineering Club. “UVic has taught me that I can do anything—it’s all within my reach,” she says. “There is so much to do here and I’m motivated to try everything I can.”



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# WELCOME

Canada is an amazing country in which to live and learn. Your Canadian degree will be a perfect start for whatever career you want—wherever in the world you want to take it (including right here in Canada, if you choose). Our quality, public and affordable education system offers practical life skills you won't find outside our borders. Recognized worldwide, a UVic degree will take you wherever you want to go.

## ABOUT UVIC

Ranked in the top one per cent of the world's best universities, the University of Victoria is committed to inspired teaching, research excellence and civic engagement. An active and diverse community of more than 20,000, we're small enough that you'll see friends on campus and large enough to make an impact on the world.

UVic is a special place you have to feel to understand.

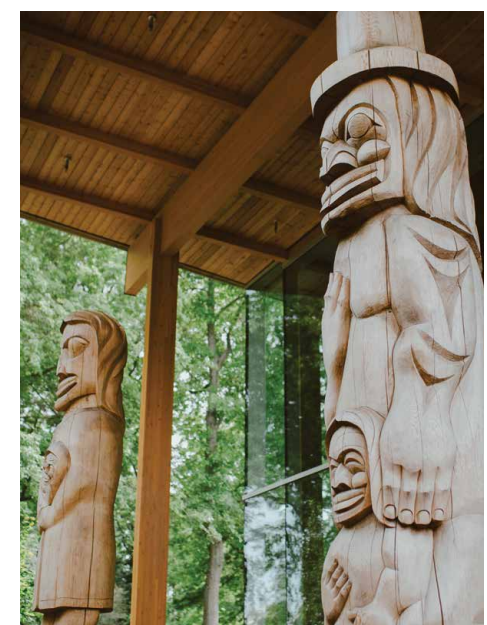
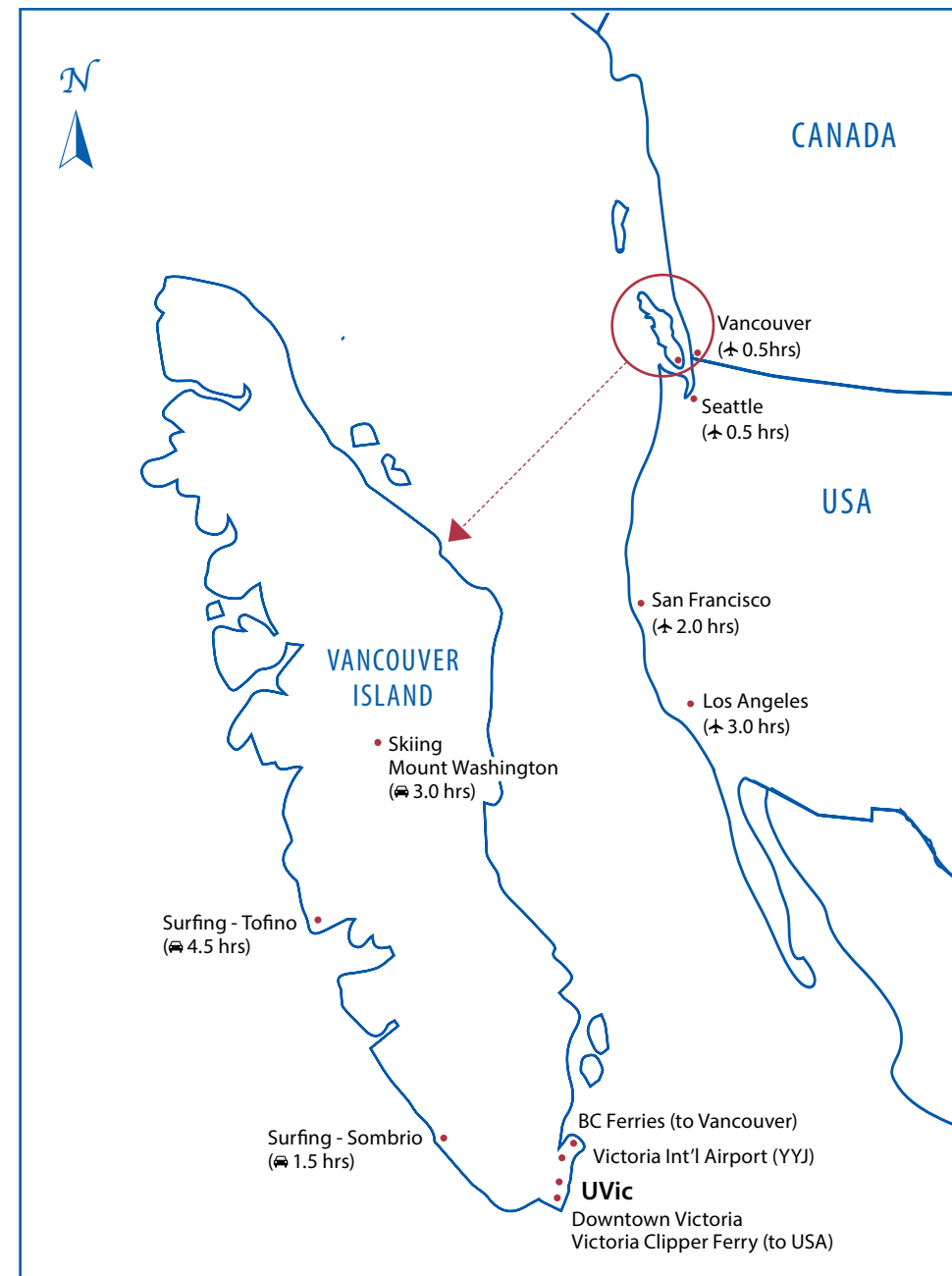
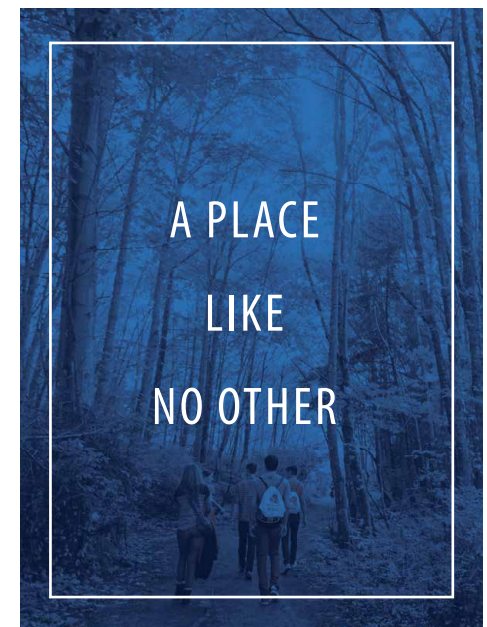
It's an environment of open and curious exchange—of ideas and stories, laughter and encouragement. It's a community of thinkers and leaders driven by their imaginations who will shape the world for years to come. It truly is a one-of-a-kind place where you'll be challenged in ways you have yet to imagine.

## ABOUT VICTORIA

Welcome to Victoria, a vibrant city at the southern tip of Vancouver Island on Canada's spectacular West Coast. Perched above the beach between rainforest and snow-capped mountains, we're a green city of quaint, tree-lined neighbourhoods rich in character for you to discover. We're famous for our stunning natural environment, mild climate and, most important of all, our warm and friendly people. In fact, we're consistently rated as one of the most liveable, safe and welcoming cities in the world.

Hike the Juan de Fuca Trail, spend an evening at a poetry reading in Fernwood or kite-surf in the waves off Dallas Road—you'll never run out of things to do. Our relaxed island lifestyle makes this the perfect place to live and learn.

- ◆ #1 ranked comprehensive university in Canada
- ◆ Consistently ranked by Times Higher Education as the top university in Canada without a medical school and one of the top 200 universities in the world
- ◆ 17,407 undergraduate and 3,406 graduate students study at UVic, but our average class size is only 28 students
- ◆ More than 70 per cent of our students come from outside of the Victoria area, with more than 2,000 international undergraduate students from 108 different countries
- ◆ Ranked in the top 1 per cent of universities in the world for scientific impact
- ◆ World leader in oceans, climate and clean energy technology and home to a globally recognized business school
- ◆ Seven Rhodes scholars in the last 12 years
- ◆ Greater Victoria area population—more than 360,000
- ◆ The second sunniest city in British Columbia, with an average high summer temperature of 22°C and an average high winter temperature of 6.9°C
- ◆ One of the best cities to live in Canada—Vancouver Island is also ranked as the “top island” in continental North America and one of the top ten islands in the world
- ◆ Voted Canada's smartest, fittest and most walkable city—we're also the cycling capital of the country and one of the best cold water diving destinations in the world
- ◆ Home to seven Canadian national teams (middle/long distance running, cycling, diving, rowing, rugby, swimming and triathlon)
- ◆ 14 per cent of Canadian Olympic team members call Victoria home



# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

## ACADEMICS AT UVIC

For many of you, high school was all about facts, figures and having the right answers on a test. At UVic, you'll take control of your academic future, dig deeper to get real results and ask questions that will ignite not just your curiosities, but those of your classmates as well. Find the field of study that speaks to your interests and combine it with co-operative education, undergraduate research and extracurricular fun to create a learning experience that's uniquely yours.

## PROGRAMS

Programs are collections of courses organized as either a major and/or a minor and fulfil degree requirements within a particular department or school.

**MAJOR:** Your area of specialization within a degree program (i.e. you may be working towards a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Pacific and Asian Studies). In some cases you may be able to combine programs—a major in Music and Computer Science, for example.

**MINOR:** A subject of study not sufficient for a degree on its own, which can complement your major (i.e. a major in Geography with a minor in Coastal Studies).

**CO-OP:** Most programs allow you to incorporate work experience as part of your degree. See page 6 for more information.

## FACULTIES

Faculties are groups of thematically-related academic departments or schools. UVic is home to ten faculties.

## DEPARTMENTS & SCHOOLS

Departments and schools are units made up of instructors, staff and students whose work is devoted to a specific academic field, like the School of Child and Youth Care, the Department of Chemistry or the Department of Political Science.

## COMBINED & INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS

It might be that your interests don't quite fit in just one program. UVic offers a range of combined majors such as:

- Visual Arts and Computer Science
- Physical Geography and Earth and Ocean Sciences
- Biology and Psychology

You can also choose from a variety of interdisciplinary programs that allow you to learn across faculties.

To start exploring how you can tailor your degree to your specific interests, check out [uvic.ca/calendar](http://uvic.ca/calendar) and [uvic.ca/interdisciplinary](http://uvic.ca/interdisciplinary).

## NOT SURE WHERE TO START?

It's common for students to spend their first year on campus exploring options across faculties before finding exactly where they fit. Unsure of your program? Apply as "undecided" to the Faculty of Humanities, Science or Social Sciences and sample a range of introductory courses in your first year.



Review the list below and visit [uvic.ca/academic](http://uvic.ca/academic) to further explore the faculties, schools and programs at UVic. Once you've narrowed down your options, check the calendar at [uvic.ca/calendar](http://uvic.ca/calendar) for a list of the degrees you can earn and the courses you'll need for each program.

### PETER B. GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Commerce ▲

### EDUCATION

- Indigenous Language Revitalization ◆
- Kinesiology ◆
- Recreation and Health Education ◆▲
- Teacher Education:
  - Elementary Education
  - Secondary Education ◆
  - Post-degree programs ◆ (elementary, middle years and secondary education)

### ENGINEERING

- Biomedical Engineering ▲
- Civil Engineering ▲
- Computer Engineering ▲
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering ▲
- Mechanical Engineering ▲
- Software Engineering ▲

### FINE ARTS

- Art History & Visual Studies
- Music
- Theatre
- Visual Arts
- Writing
- Professional Writing in Journalism and Publishing (minor only)

### HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- Child and Youth Care
- Health and Community Services ◆
- Health Information Science ▲
- Nursing (Canadian citizens only) ◆■
- Social Work ◆
- Public Administration (minor only)

### HUMANITIES

- Applied Linguistics
- Chinese Studies
- English
- French
- Germanic Studies
- Greek and Latin Language and Literature
- Greek and Roman Studies
- Hispanic Studies
- History
- Italian Studies
- Japanese Studies
- Latin American Literary and Cultural Studies
- Linguistics
- Medieval Studies
- Mediterranean Studies
- Pacific and Asian Studies
- Philosophy
- Professional Writing (minor only)
- Religious Studies
- Slavic Studies
- Southeast Asian Studies
- Women's Studies
- Undecided

### LAW

- Juris Doctor ◆

### SCIENCE

- Astronomy
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Sciences
- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Ocean Sciences (minor only)
- Physics
- Statistics
- Undecided

### SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Anthropology
- Coastal Studies (minor only)
- Economics
- Economic Policy (minor only)
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Undecided

### INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS

- Applied Ethics (minor only)
- Arts of Canada
- European Studies
- Film Studies (minor only)
- Human Dimensions of Climate Change (minor only)
- Indigenous Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Social Justice Studies
- Technology and Society (minor only)

### ▲ CO-OP REQUIREMENT

You must participate in the co-operative education program as part of this degree. Other degree programs (not marked with a triangle) offer professional work experience through optional paid co-operative education work terms or mandatory practica.

### ◆ PRE-REQUISITE REQUIREMENT

You will be required to complete university-level pre-requisite courses or hold an undergraduate degree to be admissible to this program. Contact your recruiter for more information.

### ■ JOINT DEGREE PARTNERSHIP

A joint degree partnership is currently being developed with Camosun College. Check [uvic.ca/nursing](http://uvic.ca/nursing) for updates.



# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

## CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION

As a co-op student, you'll alternate terms in school with terms in a job specifically related to your program. Plus, you'll earn money doing it. On average, co-op students earn more than \$2,800 (CAD) per month, which certainly is useful when financing your education.

In addition, you'll have the choice to work locally, nationally or overseas with top employers, including:

- ◆ Microsoft
- ◆ BMW
- ◆ Airbus France
- ◆ Government of British Columbia
- ◆ Hewlett-Packard
- ◆ Schneider Electric
- ◆ Canada-Hawaii-France Telescope Project
- ◆ Parks Canada
- ◆ United Nations
- ◆ Environmental Women in Action for Development (EWAD)

Co-op is a great way to "test drive" the careers you're interested in before you graduate. These positions are also helpful for immigration or graduate program applications.

## SAMPLE CO-OP SCHEDULE

A sample co-op schedule might look something like the chart below. Start planning your co-op adventure at [uvic.ca/coopandcareer](http://uvic.ca/coopandcareer) and check out student success stories at [youtube.com/uviccoopandcareer](https://www.youtube.com/uviccoopandcareer).

	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
Year 1	Study	Study	Free summer
Year 2	Study	Study	Work
Year 3	Study	Work	Study
Year 4	Work	Study	Work
Year 5	Study / Graduate		

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

International exchange is a great opportunity to combine your passion for travel with your university education. As part of your UVic undergraduate experience you can apply to participate in an international exchange at one of our 50 partner institutions in 21 different countries. You'll have the choice to complete a single term or a full academic year—all for credit towards your UVic degree and at your regular UVic tuition rates. Immerse yourself in another culture, deepen your global perspective and add to your future employability. For more information, visit [uvic.ca/outgoing-exchange](http://uvic.ca/outgoing-exchange).

Some of our international exchange partners:

- ◆ Australia: Griffith University
- ◆ Brazil: Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro
- ◆ France: Université Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris III
- ◆ Japan: Konan University
- ◆ Italy: Bocconi University
- ◆ Sweden: Uppsala University
- ◆ Thailand: Mahidol University
- ◆ United Kingdom: University of Essex

## FIELD SCHOOLS

UVic is a university of adventure where you're encouraged to learn outside—way outside—of the classroom. Lectures, labs, extended field trips or group study tours can all be used to enhance your learning and understanding of the world.

- ◆ Participate locally in coastal marine research at Canada's world renowned Bamfield Marine Science Centre
- ◆ Register for UVic's annual field trip to Greece
- ◆ Trek off to Malaysia for a field-based tropical biology adventure
- ◆ Head off to Central Europe to study at the I-witness Holocaust Field School Project
- ◆ Experience the Colonial Legacies Field School in South Africa





# RESEARCH & INNOVATION

## DIVE IN TO RESEARCH

Are you a knowledge seeker? Do mysteries intrigue you? Do you question everything?

At UVic, you can dive head first into undergraduate research or just dip your toes in the knowledge ocean to test the waters. Whether your exploration involves morality, a microscope or a medieval manuscript, you're sure to find something to entice you to take the plunge.

You'll explore graduate-level research with fellow undergrads, graduate students and your professors who are experts in their fields—locally, nationally and internationally. You can apply for an undergraduate research award to pursue your own unique ideas, work as a research assistant in a paid position or sit back and enjoy the benefits of professors who bring their own research into your classrooms—every day.

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

As a UVic student you'll belong to an active, diverse and civically engaged community of independent thinkers and progressive doers who care about the world as much as you do.

You'll organize food drives for the homeless, volunteer for a local nonprofit or march for what you believe in. You'll study and play hard, push boundaries and do your best to solve real-world problems. Who knows? You might even take a few steps outside your comfort zone and revel in adventure—socially, politically or creatively. The choice is yours.

After all, university is about more than just academics—at UVic our freethinking community is no exception. Our students have some of the best and brightest minds, but it's how those minds connect and explore curiosities and ideas together that spark true UVic magic.

## OUT OF THIS WORLD RESEARCH



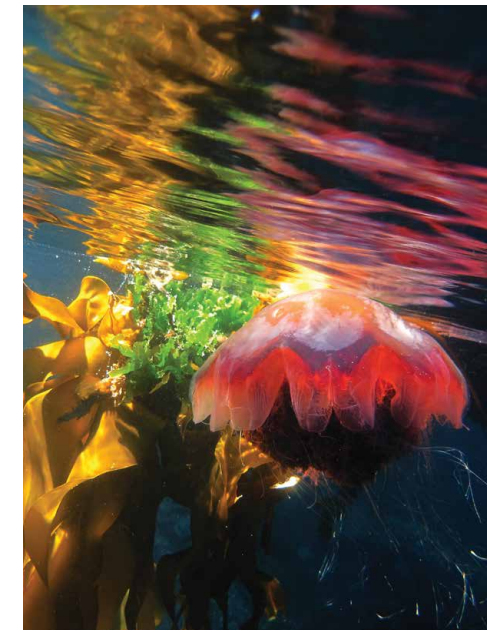
UVic's Satellite Design club (ECOSat) members aren't just researching the use of magnetic fields to control space vehicles, they're proving that the technology of diamagnetic propulsion works. The club's award-winning solar-powered nanosatellite uses high-powered lasers to manipulate the magnetic field of pyrolytic graphite, enabling the craft to roll on its axis or change its pitch, which will come in handy when they launch it 800 kilometres into space.

After winning the Canadian Satellite Design Challenge, the ECOSat team members are already thinking about a new challenge, building a ground control centre to monitor the satellite and receive data when it passes within communication range of UVic. [csdc.uvic.ca](http://csdc.uvic.ca).

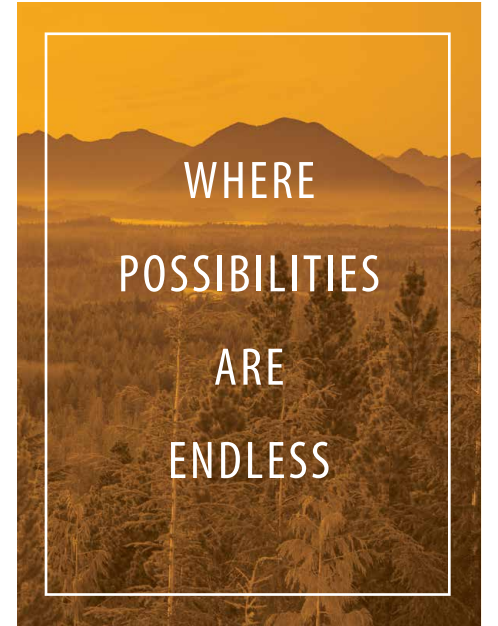
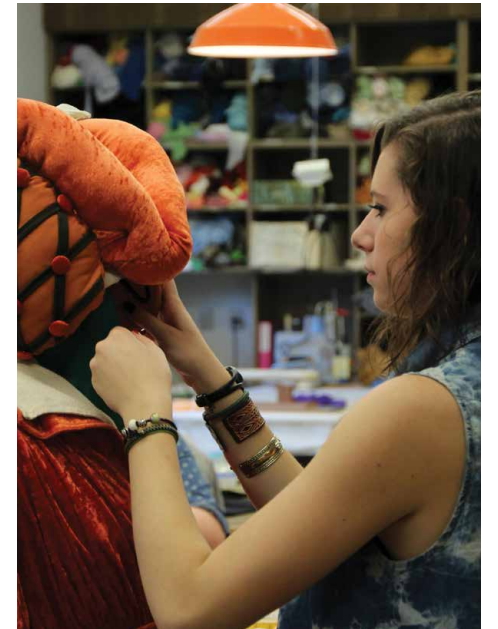
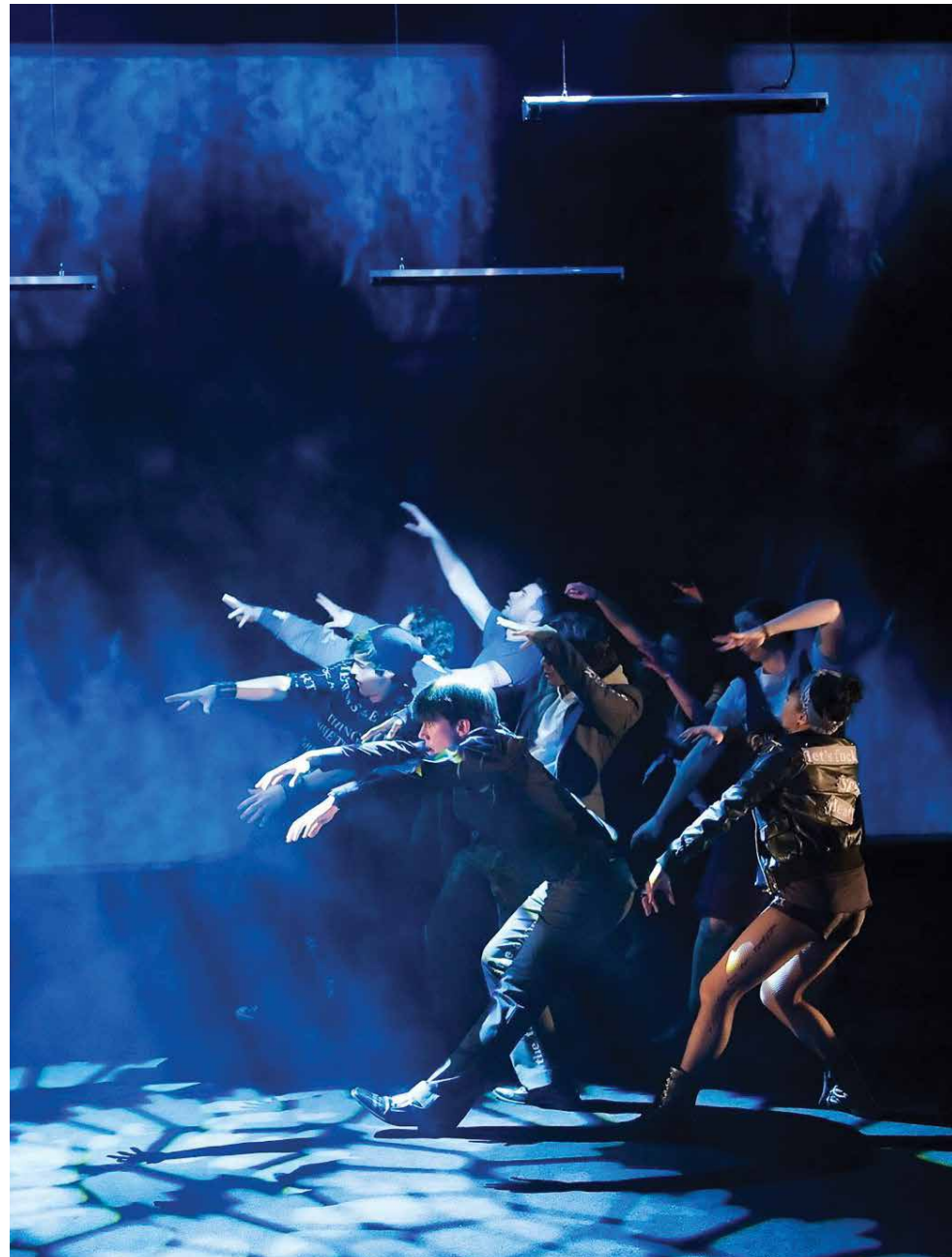
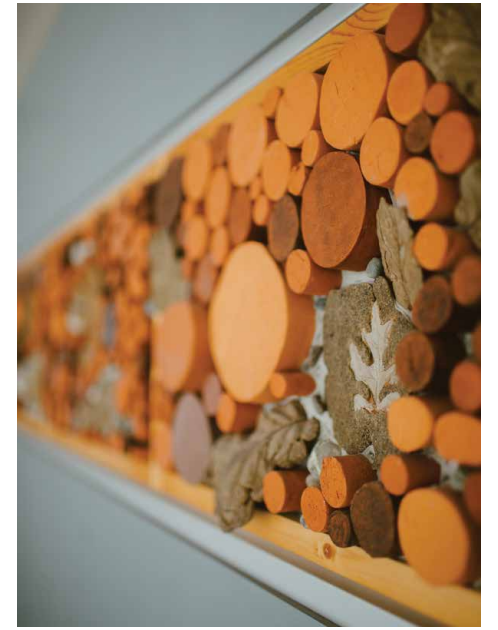
Last year, our undergrads had lots of questions

- ◆ Can urban agriculture be used as an integrative means for poverty reduction, ecological awareness and community building?
- ◆ Is it possible to mobilize traditional Indigenous knowledge through youth-involved, community-based video stories?
- ◆ Why are humans culturally preoccupied with speed?
- ◆ How do we analyze the chemistry and atmospheres of outer halo stars of the Milky Way galaxy?
- ◆ How is long-term carbon accumulation linked to climate and vegetation?
- ◆ Is there a connection between income security and consumption?

This year, thanks to research, they have lots of answers







WHERE  
POSSIBILITIES  
ARE  
ENDLESS



# CAMPUS LIFE

## STUDENT COMMUNITY

Our campus is like no other. We're smart, energetic and have a culture uniquely our own. As a student, you'll belong to an active, diverse and civically engaged community of independent thinkers, inquisitive learners and progressive doers.

With over 70 per cent of our students travelling from outside of Victoria to attend UVic, you'll have opportunities to meet new friends and explore new perspectives. You'll soon find yourself saying "good morning" to complete strangers, embracing sustainability and thanking your bus driver at the end of your commute.

## CLUBS & COURSE UNIONS

UVic's wide range of student clubs, volunteer opportunities and extracurricular activities reflects the diversity of our community and the scope of shared interests among our students. Browse the list of clubs and course unions online at [uvss.ca](http://uvss.ca) and check out Clubs and Course Union Days at the start of each term.

## SUSTAINABILITY

UVic is committed to sustainability and providing a wide range of fresh and healthy home-cooked meal options for appetites of all sizes. Locally sourced, whenever possible, our tasty food selections include vegan, vegetarian and gluten-free options as well as many ethnic specialties. Students can choose from four reasonably priced dining options to suit their individual needs at eleven locations on campus. To read more about our initiatives, visit [uvic.ca/sustainability](http://uvic.ca/sustainability).

- We're proudly a "Beyond Fair Trade" campus and make it a priority to purchase ethically traded products
- UVic is consistently ranked as one of Canada's greenest employers for its commitment to sustainability
- All new buildings are constructed to meet the LEED Gold standard

## ACCOMMODATION

Whether you choose to live in residence or off campus, you'll find a safe and welcoming community to call home.

### LIVING ON CAMPUS

Campus living has its advantages, especially for first-year students. Housing is guaranteed for all admitted students coming to UVic directly from high school. It's a great way to meet friends and connect to campus activities—plus you won't have to worry about making meals, grocery shopping or getting up early to catch the bus. More than 80 per cent of our rooms are single occupancy, so you'll be able to have as much privacy as you like. For more information on residence life and on-campus housing options, visit [uvic.ca/housing](http://uvic.ca/housing).

### LIVING OFF CAMPUS

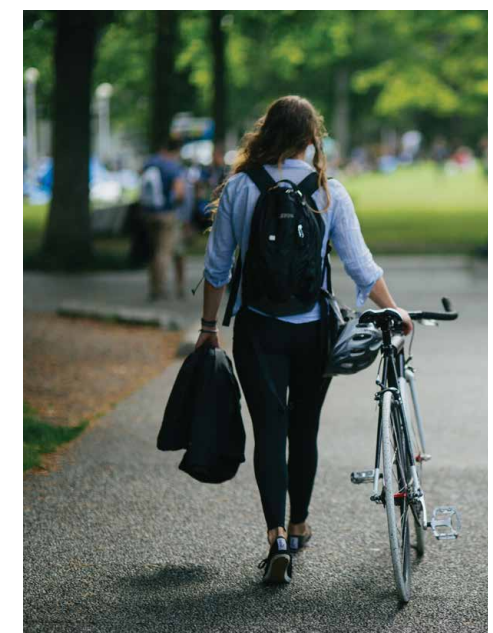
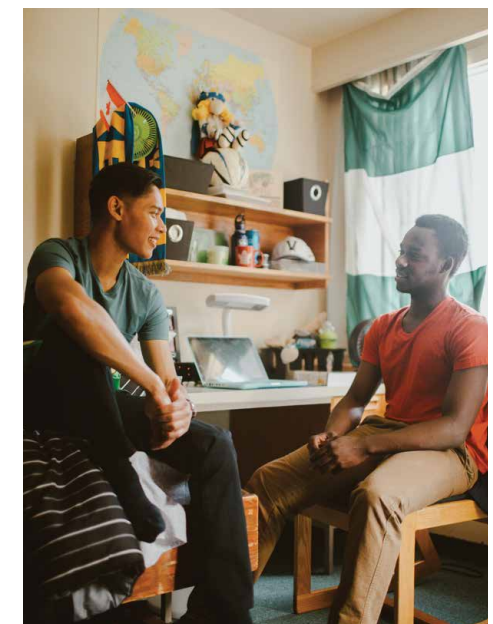
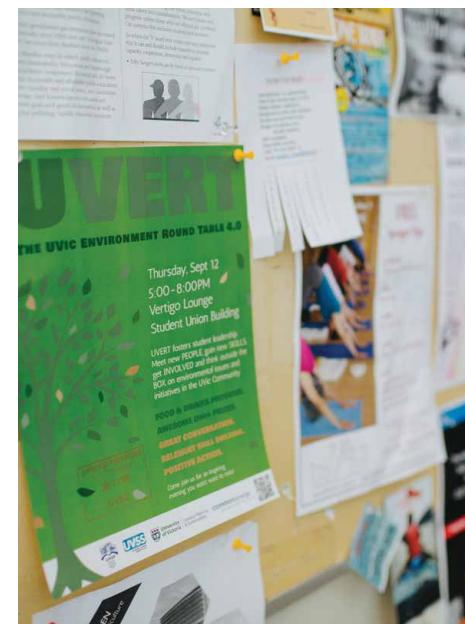
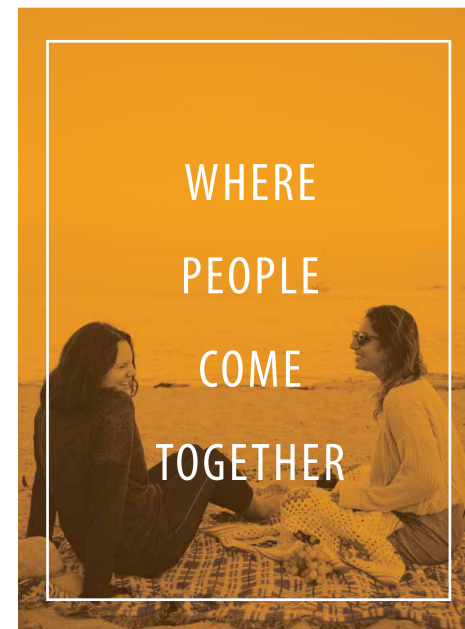
If you prefer to live off campus, Victoria has a variety of options. Safe, friendly and filled with character, you're sure to find a neighbourhood that suits your style. From stately Oak Bay, to eclectic Fernwood or seaside Gordon Head, Victoria offers rental apartments, secondary suites within houses or room and board opportunities with local families—all within a short walk or bus ride from campus. Make sure to start your search early by browsing UVic's Off-Campus Housing site at [housing.uvic.ca/ads](http://housing.uvic.ca/ads).

UVic's homestay program is a great choice if you want to improve your English and learn about Canadian culture in a friendly, family environment. Visit [uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/homestay](http://uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/homestay) for information.

### AVERAGE COSTS (In Canadian dollars)

Single room with meal plan	\$8,366
Double room with meal plan	\$7,379
Cluster room without meal plan	\$4,869
Off-campus apartment/suite (single with utilities)	\$6,728
Off-campus apartment/suite (shared with utilities)	\$4,336

(Based on September–April 2014/15 housing rates)





# ATHLETICS & RECREATION

## THE PLACE TO TRAIN

Victoria is a sporting mecca with ideal weather conditions for year-round training, world-class facilities and international-calibre coaching—just some of the reasons seven of Canada's national teams choose to train here. UVic itself is home to two pools, racquet courts, an 800-metre track, an ice rink and one of the largest weight rooms in Western Canada. Whether you're an elite swimmer, a weekend surfer or a paddleboard yoga enthusiast, you're guaranteed to find a way to keep fit and active either on or off campus.

## VARSITY ATHLETICS

UVic offers an exciting line up of varsity sports and has established itself as one of the most successful university athletics programs in the country. With 73 national championship titles in 12 different sports, we're well known as a true powerhouse in the Canadian university sports world. If you're a high school athlete interested in playing at the varsity level make sure to contact the appropriate coach early in your senior year. A variety of sport-specific and general scholarships are awarded annually to athletes based on athletic, academic and leadership criteria. For varsity team schedules visit [govikesgo.com](http://govikesgo.com) and don't forget to wear your best blue and gold to cheer on the Vikes on game days.

## INTRAMURALS & RECREATIONAL SPORTS

Are you an ultimate frisbee fanatic, surfer or Quidditch star in the making? Perhaps you want to continue with figure skating, learn to ballroom dance or do a triathlon? Keeping healthy and fit is a way of life here on the West Coast, and UVic is certainly no exception. If you can think of a sport or recreational activity you're almost guaranteed to be able to find it on campus somewhere. Join one of our 25 sports clubs, play in an intramural league or participate in a special interest recreation class. You'll learn new skills, keep fit and have a blast doing it. Vikes Recreation has something for everyone, so start exploring at [vikesrec.ca](http://vikesrec.ca).

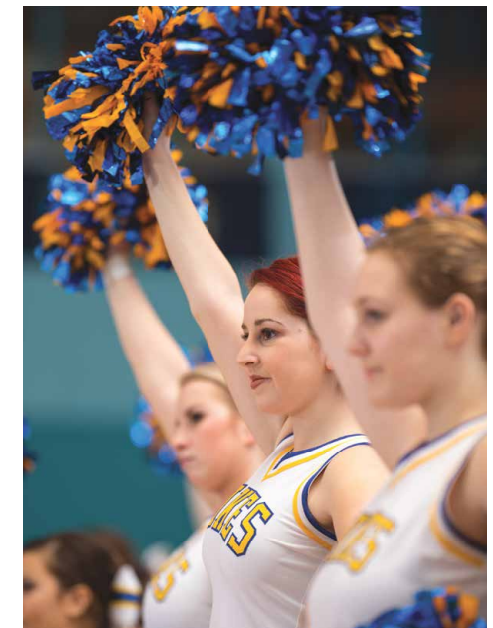
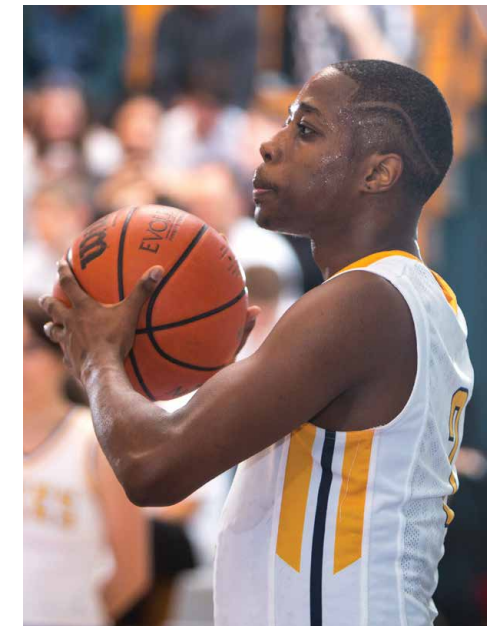
- ◆ 168 Vikes athletes, coaches and alumni have represented Canada at the Olympic Games winning a total of 34 gold, 24 silver and 10 bronze medals in Olympic and Paralympic competition
- ◆ "Thunder" is the official Vikes' mascot. You'll see him everywhere!
- ◆ As a "Vike" you'll be a member of Vikes Nation, an inclusive community committed to and passionate about all things UVic, our teams and active healthy living

## CARSA: THE NEW HOME OF VIKES NATION

Imagine. It's game night at UVic and the Vikes are ready to take on another top-ranked university basketball team in your brand new 2,100 seat, state-of-the-art gymnasium. You're tired from spending two hours after your chemistry lab attacking the 16-metre climbing tower next door, but the pride at the game feeds your energy.

You look around in awe at the Centre for Athletics, Recreation and Special Abilities (CARSA) and can't wait to try everything it has to offer. A state-of-the-art gymnasium, indoor field house, climbing tower, dance and yoga studios, racquet courts, rowing centre, fitness and weight-training centre and a sports injury clinic is all yours as a UVic student.

You're super excited because you know no matter what your sport or recreational activity you'll find it at CARSA, where you can train your mind and your body. [uvic.ca/carsa](http://uvic.ca/carsa).





# STUDENT SUPPORT

## CAMPUS SUPPORT

University may seem like a big change, particularly while you're living in a foreign country, potentially learning in a second language and adjusting to cultural differences. Our professors come from around the world to create a global educational environment in which you can learn. Our staff will help you find your way and get the most out of your UVic experience.

- ◆ International Student Services (ISS) provides pre-arrival support, orientation on arrival and ongoing assistance after you have been accepted to study at UVic
- ◆ The Marnie Swanson International Learning Commons offers academic support, as well as the opportunity to meet new friends, share your culture and deepen your connections—it's the centre of international activity on campus

## FACULTY SUPPORT

Your professors are both experts and problem solvers in their fields. They're creating new knowledge every day through their own personal research and strong partnerships with community and industry leaders. Where does that knowledge end up? Everywhere—from government, industry and healthcare, to oceans, technology and schools. In fact, it's often our students who are the very first to benefit directly from UVic research. Your professors take that knowledge and bring it, first-hand, into their classrooms to share with you. They are approachable, set aside special office hours for students and encourage you to visit them.

- ◆ The 2014 QS World University Rankings by Subject, identified UVic in the top 200 institutions globally for research in six QS subject areas: Earth and Marine Sciences, English Language and Literature, Geography, Law and Legal Studies, Physics and Psychology
- ◆ 93.6 per cent of professors hold PhDs and last year our research received more than \$100 million in funding

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

UVic offers entrance scholarships of \$10,000 (CAD) to academically outstanding international students. IB students with 32 points or higher also qualify for special scholarships.

Students graduating from United World College (UWC), CIS member schools or Aga Khan Academy schools are also eligible to compete for UVic's prestigious \$90,000 international scholarship (\$22,500 per year, renewable over four years).

For more information, visit [uvic.ca/entrancescholarships](http://uvic.ca/entrancescholarships).

## STUDENT SUPPORT

Support can mean something different depending on who you are. You can access a wide range of services at UVic:

- ◆ Academic advising
- ◆ Security and safety
- ◆ Personal counselling
- ◆ Language acquisition
- ◆ Medical and dental care
- ◆ Spiritual guidance
- ◆ International services

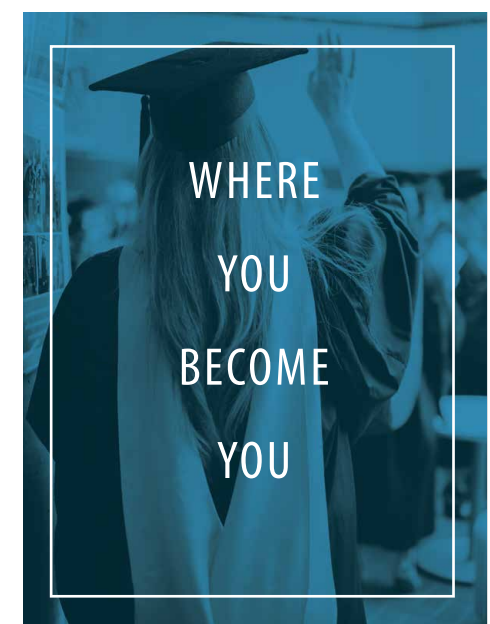
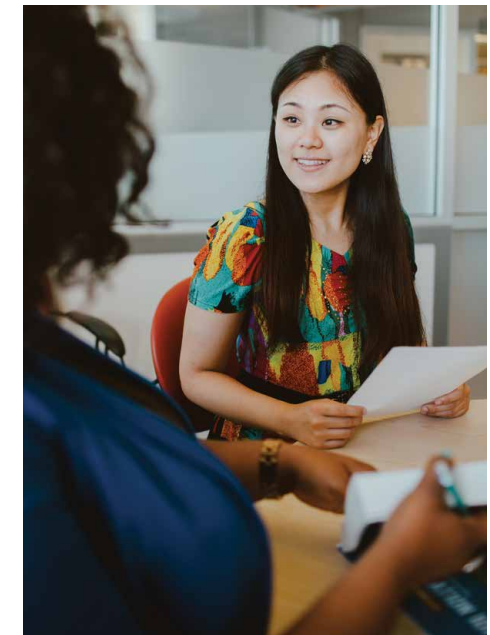
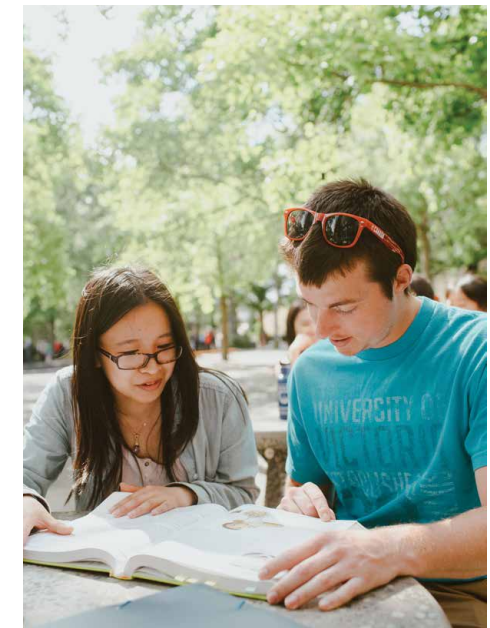
Visit [uvic.ca/new-students](http://uvic.ca/new-students) to start exploring.

## COSTS OF STUDY

Costs vary depending on your faculty, course load, method of transportation and accommodation preferences. For more information, visit [uvic.ca/annualcosts](http://uvic.ca/annualcosts).

Tuition fees (Canadian & permanent residents)	\$5,918
Tuition fees (International)	\$17,453
Residence (including meals)	\$7,379–\$8,366
Books and Supplies, up to	\$1,700
<b>Total tuition &amp; fees (Canadian)</b>	<b>\$14,997–\$15,984</b>
<b>Total tuition &amp; fees (International)</b>	<b>\$26,532–\$27,519</b>

Based on September–April 2014/15 rates (CAD)  
Eight months of study (five courses per term)





# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements are organized by country, region or curriculum. In addition to the academic requirements for your program, you'll also need to fulfil the English Language requirement (see page 19).

ADMISSION	ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
<b>Degree students</b>	Students seeking a full degree from the University of Victoria will need to meet the minimum academic requirements listed below. For more information, see <a href="http://uvic.ca/admissions">uvic.ca/admissions</a> .
International curricula students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twelve years or more of academic preparation and graduation from a senior secondary school or completion of a recognized diploma program</li> <li>See <a href="http://uvic.ca/intlreq">uvic.ca/intlreq</a> for requirements specific to your country and curriculum of study</li> </ul>
American curricula students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation from a regionally accredited high school with 14 or more college preparatory courses and a minimum 3.00 cumulative unweighted GPA</li> <li>See <a href="http://uvic.ca/usreq">uvic.ca/usreq</a> for specific subject requirements</li> </ul>
Canadian offshore students (Canadian curricula)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation from an approved senior secondary school</li> <li>Four or five grade 11 subjects</li> <li>Four grade 12 subjects (including English 12 or English 12: First Peoples)</li> </ul>
IB students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of an IB diploma with a minimum 28 predicted points (including additional points)</li> <li>At least three subjects must be at the Higher Level</li> <li>See <a href="http://uvic.ca/ib">uvic.ca/ib</a> for specific requirements</li> </ul>
Post-secondary transfer students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of one or more years of a bachelor degree program at a recognized university with a minimum "B" average (or equivalent), calculated on the most recent full year of studies</li> <li>Transfer credit will be assessed on a course-by-course basis</li> </ul>
<b>Visiting/Study Abroad students</b>	Students attending another post-secondary institution who wish to take credit courses at UVic for one or two terms can apply as a visiting student. Visiting students follow the regular application procedure and are admitted on the basis of a letter of permission which specifies courses allowed for credit toward a degree at their home institution.
<b>Exchange students</b>	Students studying at a post-secondary institution with which UVic has a formal exchange agreement are eligible to apply for a one- or two-term exchange to UVic. Applications are made through your home institution, so check with your school's international exchange office for requirements and application procedures.

## TRANSCRIPTS

Official transcripts in the original language are required for all completed secondary and post-secondary coursework.

When the original language is not English, documentation must be accompanied by a certified English translation prepared by a recognized translation agency. Transcripts should be sent directly to UVic from the issuing institution.

## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Applicants whose first language is not English must demonstrate English language proficiency prior to admission. A full list of the ways in which you can meet the requirement is available at [uvic.ca/esl](http://uvic.ca/esl), including:

- Completion of four years of full-time secondary and/or post-secondary education in English in Canada or a recognized country, in which all language of instruction is English
- Completion of a recognized degree program from an accredited university in a recognized country, in which all language of instruction is English
- Submission of an acceptable assessment test score, as per the chart below

## CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

Applicants who fall short of the language proficiency requirement may be conditionally admitted and allowed to register in courses, provided they meet the minimum language standard for conditional admission outlined below. The full language proficiency requirement must still be met prior to the first day of classes.

## UVIC PATHWAY PROGRAM

Applicants who have not yet met the minimum language proficiency requirements are invited to apply to UVic's Pathway program.

The 12-month program will provide you with the opportunity to complete UVic credit courses in economics, science or engineering while improving your English language abilities.

As a Pathway student, you're a member of the UVic community and have access to the same services and facilities as other students. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be eligible to transfer into a UVic degree program with almost a full year of credit.

For more information on application procedures, please visit [uvcs.uvic.ca/elc](http://uvcs.uvic.ca/elc) or email [elcreg@uvcs.uvic.ca](mailto:elcreg@uvcs.uvic.ca).

## MEETING THE LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT

	Regular admission	Conditional admission	Pathway Program
TOEFL with a minimum score of	90 (20 per section)	79 (17 per section)	71 (15 per section)
IELTS with a minimum overall band score of	6.5 (6.0 per component)	6.0 (5.5 per component)	5.5 (5.0 per component)
IB Higher Level English with a minimum score of	4	---	---
UVic's University Admission Preparation (UAP) program	Completion of UAP program with 80% or higher	Registration in UAP program	Registration in Intensive English (ELPI) course at the 490 level

Note: UVic's TOEFL institution code is 0989



# APPLYING TO UVIC

## 1 CHECK REQUIREMENTS

Visit [uvic.ca/admissions](http://uvic.ca/admissions) for a complete list of academic requirements for your program, organized by country, region or curriculum.

## 2 APPLY ONLINE BY FEBRUARY 28

Start at [uvic.ca/apply](http://uvic.ca/apply) to complete a UVic application form.

Some programs require a supplemental application, audition or portfolio, so be sure to check your program requirements. Visit your program website for more information at [uvic.ca/academic](http://uvic.ca/academic).

For a complete list of deadlines (including supplementary materials, final documents and alternate entry terms) please see [uvic.ca/deadlines](http://uvic.ca/deadlines).

## 3 SUBMIT YOUR TRANSCRIPTS

Have official transcripts of all secondary and post-secondary coursework sent directly from the issuing institution to:

<b>Mailing Address:</b>	<b>Courier Address:</b>
<b>Undergraduate Admissions</b>	<b>Undergraduate Admissions</b>
University of Victoria	University of Victoria
PO Box 3025 STN CSC	University Centre Rm A102
Victoria, BC V8W 3P2	3800 Finnerty Road
Canada	Victoria, BC V8P 5C2
	Canada

Documents in a language other than English must be accompanied by a notarized English translation.

## NEXT STEPS

You can return to [uvic.ca/application](http://uvic.ca/application) to check the status of your application at any time. Once you've applied, make sure to stay on top of your next steps:

- Sign up for a UVic user ID (NetLink) at [uvic.ca/netlink](http://uvic.ca/netlink)
- Check the Student Awards and Financial Aid website for scholarship details and deadlines at [uvic.ca/safa](http://uvic.ca/safa)
- Apply for housing at [uvic.ca/housing](http://uvic.ca/housing)
- Add [@uvic.ca](mailto:@uvic.ca) to your safe sender email list so you won't miss important admission correspondence
- Submit proof of English language proficiency (if required)
- Arrange for a study permit (if necessary) once admitted. (Visit Citizenship and Immigration Canada at [cic.gc.ca](http://cic.gc.ca))

For more information and a complete checklist of next steps, visit [uvic.ca/new-students](http://uvic.ca/new-students).

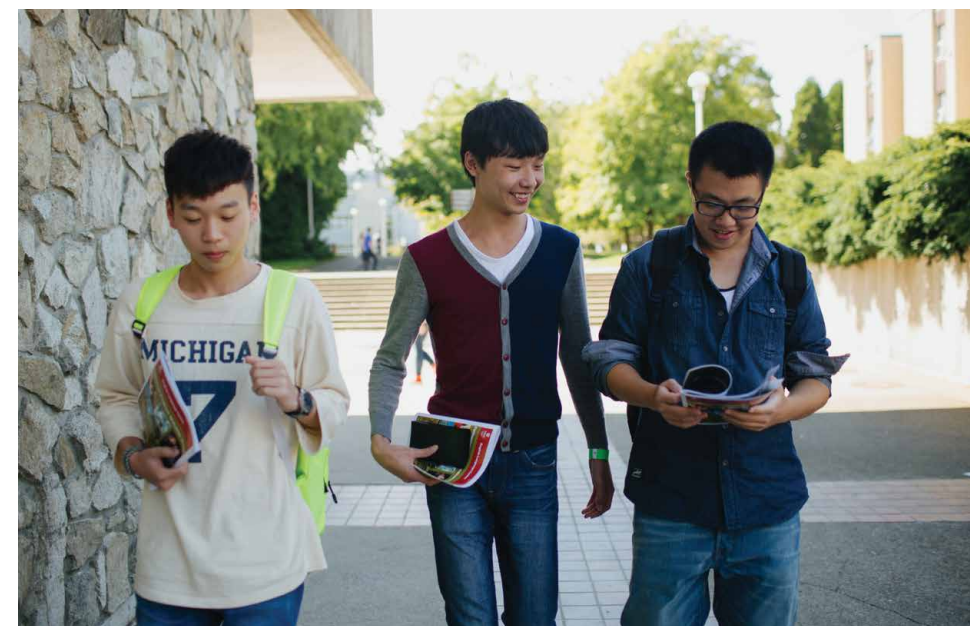
## APPLICATION DEADLINES

International applicants must apply and submit the required documents by the dates listed below, unless an earlier deadline is required by a program or faculty. Specific program deadlines for transfer students and other applicant categories can be found at [uvic.ca/deadlines](http://uvic.ca/deadlines).

Faculty/program	Apply to UVic by	Supplemental application by
General deadline	February 28*	—
<b>In addition, supplemental applications are required for:</b>		
Business	February 28	February 28
Child and Youth Care	February 28	February 28
Music	February 28	March 31
Theatre	February 28	February 28
Visual Arts	February 28	February 28

\* Certain programs will accept international applications until April 30. Please consult [uvic.ca/deadlines](http://uvic.ca/deadlines) for specific information.

"Yes, go to UVic. At university you'll learn academically in your classes, but you'll also learn from the people you will meet, who come from all over the world. You'll come together, share stories, gain new perspectives, and grow from those conversations." —Ricky Watts | Psychology | Canada





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*We acknowledge with respect the history, customs and culture of the Coast Salish and Straits Salish people on whose traditional lands our university resides.*