University of Victoria

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION PREVIEW HANDBOOK

2011-2012
NEPTUNE
Neptune Canada Ocean Observatory Goes Live

In December 2009, data began flowing from the world’s largest and most advanced deep ocean observatory. Led by the University of Victoria, NEPTUNE Canada allows land-based scientists to conduct offshore experiments and receive continuous real-time data from the bottom of the Pacific Ocean. Instruments installed on the seafloor monitor biological, chemical and geological processes, transmitting the information to shore through miles of fiber-optic cable. The amount of data amassed each year is roughly equivalent to 60 million books.

UVic's EcoCAR Wins Award

An extended range electric vehicle designed by UVic students placed second overall at the EcoCAR Challenge competition in Toronto. The team’s fuel-efficient, low-emission car of the future runs on a combination of electric power and E85 ethanol.

UNDERGRADS DIG INTO RESEARCH

Thanks to a new scholarship program, 53 UVic undergraduates are getting the chance to make significant contributions to research this year. With mentoring and supervision from UVic’s top researchers, students are working on a wide range of projects: studying the brains of children diagnosed with ADHD, the cycling of greenhouse gases in coastal environments, and the use of nano-materials for early detection of cancers. Funds provided to each department through Undergraduate Research Scholarships enable talented students to engage in direct research experiences.

PHYSICISTS CAPTURE SUBATOMIC ACTION

A new era of discovery about the basic nature of the universe opened on March 30, 2010, with the first proton collision at the Large Hadron Collider. A massive particle accelerator that covers 27km near Geneva, Switzerland, the Hadron Collider is the site of the world’s biggest science experiment. Here researchers from around the world choreograph deliberate head-on collisions between trillions of protons circulating at the highest energies ever reached by a particle accelerator.

Crucial elements of the Swiss-based Hadron Collider project were contributed by a team that includes UVic physicists Michel Lefebvre and Rob McPherson. The UVic-ATLAS team designed and built significant components of detectors that record the fleeting action and resulting debris within the subterranean facility.

UVic writing student wins Journey Prize

UVic master’s student Yasuko Thanh won the $10,000 Journey Prize, one of Canada’s top honours for new writers. Thanh was awarded the 2009 literary prize for her novel Floating Like the Dead, a fictional story that tackles the history of D’Arcy Island, British Columbia, which was once a quarantined colony for people with leprosy.

OVERSEAS TEACHING AWARD

UVic teacher education student Karley Sunstrum has always wanted to make a difference through education. She got her chance on an overseas adventure to Cambodia in 2007 where she helped provide impoverished children with safe houses, education, and medical care. Since returning home, Sunstrum has helped local tourists through a school art exhibit, and she has been an active participant in the UVic Sunstrum collection and exhibitions of the children’s work.

UVIC AGAIN THE LEADER IN RESEARCH

UVic was named a “Research University of the Year” in the 2009 ranking of the country’s top research universities. In the annual survey by Research Infosource, UVic placed third in the comprehensive category, making it the highest ranked institution of its class outside Ontario. UVic has held this position for the last seven years.

FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK AWARD FOR RESEARCH

Dr. Sara Ellison, UVic’s Canada Research Chair in Observational Cosmology, has made significant contributions to research this year. Her work, which explores how the simple ingredients that make up the Big Bang have become the rich and diverse structures we see today, is advancing our understanding of the evolution of galaxies. Her work is also contributing to our understanding of the nature of dark energy and how it has influenced the evolution of galaxies. Her work helps illuminate one of the most fundamental questions in science: how the simple ingredients that came out of the Big Bang have become the rich fabric of galaxies that we see today.

Elliott Trudeau Foundation. Bennett's four-year research scholarship will support his work on environmental conservation and the reduction of human poverty. Focusing on the Andaman Coast of Thailand, Bennett is investigating how the livelihoods of local communities can coexist with protected marine parks. His research is examining the economic and social aspects of conservation, as well as the potential for conflict and cooperation.

Worth Every Penny provides practical economic and technical information about how to implement conservation-oriented water pricing. Successful implementation of water pricing as part of a sustainable approach to resource management is essential for the long-term viability of natural ecosystems and the well-being of local communities. This report aims to support decision-makers in making informed choices about the management of water resources in the face of changing environmental and economic conditions.

A new University of Victoria report is stimulating national dialogue on the use of the 2010 Games. Woolstencroft chose to study engineering at UVic. She got her chance on an overseas trip to Cambodia, where she helped provide impoverished children with safe houses, education, and medical care. Since returning home, Woolstencroft has helped local tourists through a school art exhibit, and she has been an active participant in the UVic Sunstrum collection and exhibitions of the children’s work.
University is often a life-changing experience; here at UVic it is also world-changing. This is a place where the curious come together to learn, to imagine and to transform. To be part of an interwoven community that is open to exchanges and alive with possibility.

Student satisfaction at UVic is a resounding 97 per cent and the university rankings consistently reinforce this acclaim. Evidence of distinction is also obvious in the exceptional people who were once undergraduates at UVic. We have nurtured award-winning writers, indie filmmakers, world-class athletes, leading environmental scientists and visionary entrepreneurs. People like Stewart Butterfield, a co-founder of Flickr who began here as a philosophy major; Jeff Mallett, a former varsity soccer player who built Yahoo! into a global media giant; and Alison Sydor, whose prowess on a mountain bike earned her an Olympic medal and three world championships.

UVic is poised to deepen your intellect and exercise your values. Give us a chance to unleash your outlook on the world.
OUR UNIQUE VANTAGE POINT

It is easy to conjure a postcard image of our spectacular location; now imagine how your own stories and horizons could be shaped by this remarkable place. Nestled amongst rainforest and rugged beaches on the southern coast of Vancouver Island, and within the vibrant city of Victoria, UVic is ideally situated to expand experiences, attitudes and notions of the possible.

The coastal setting contributes to the university’s stellar research and teaching in fields like climate change and marine biology. It also provides an extraordinary launch pad for outdoor adventure, whether you’re into surfing, kayaking, cycling, skiing, climbing or hiking. Vancouver Island hosts some of the world’s most breathtaking destinations with highlights like Mount Washington, Tofino, the West Coast Trail and Clayoquot Sound. For those who prefer discoveries that take place in cafés, bookshops and live-music venues, Victoria has plenty to offer. A provincial capital with a population near 400,000, this diverse city boasts distinctive neighbourhoods, quirky theatres and a thriving culinary scene. Victoria is just across the strait from Vancouver, British Columbia and Seattle, Washington – both can be reached by ferry in a matter of hours.

The UVic campus is full of green spaces and modern buildings, with an emphasis on architecture that is welcoming and environmentally conscious. From amplified lecture theatres to conversational seminar rooms, state-of-the-art laboratories and libraries, each learning space is thoughtfully designed to foster collaboration and exchange. Our campus is one of the most unique atmospheres for education – it’s a place where people can live, work, think and play.
IN PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE

UVic offers rigorous undergraduate programs that balance broad intellectual exposure with in-depth study in your chosen field. No matter what they study, UVic students leave richer in critical ability and concrete skills that can be applied to the challenges of our time.

The university fosters an integrated approach to learning, with an emphasis on original research, dedicated teaching and hands-on experience. Groundbreaking ideas and technologies are generated in our faculties and world-class institutes such as the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions and the Institute for Coastal and Oceans Research. UVic is home to astrophysicists who study the origins of the universe, mechanical engineers who develop renewable energy systems and English professors who explore how computer systems can change the reading environments of the future.

Undergraduate students are given extraordinary opportunities to take part in faculty projects and experiments that relate to their studies. For example, those learning to write screenplays can participate in shooting pilot films and budding marine geologists can help to collect data and imagery through the NEPTUNE Canada project, the world’s largest underwater observatory. Our professors are devoted to teaching and make every effort to personalize their interactions so students feel empowered and supported. By safeguarding small class sizes and a low student/faculty ratio of 10:1, UVic cultivates a class dynamic that is intimate, collaborative and exploratory.

Students put their hands on knowledge at Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre, a world class centre for coastal and marine research.
GRASPING THE WORLD

UVic students are motivated to apply their knowledge to the challenges and ventures of the real world. Through an extensive array of co-operative, volunteer and study abroad opportunities, UVic helps students acquire practical and worldly experience that broadens horizons and complements knowledge acquired in the classroom.

UVic’s Co-operative Education Program helps you find and pursue paid work that relates directly to your degree. Participants alternate terms in school with terms in jobs that provide professional training, networking opportunities and course credit. Co-op placements get UVic students in the door at renowned organizations like BMW and National Geographic. Consider the journey of Cambria Hanson, a mechanical engineering student whose co-op term working on NASA’s Mars rover at the California Jet Propulsion Laboratory led to an immediate job offer after graduation.

For those who are seeking a global encounter, UVic fosters a range of academic exchanges, internships, summer language programs and group study tours. Our international exchanges give you the best of both worlds: study overseas at one of 50 partner universities while earning credit towards your UVic degree. Other paths abroad are paved by field school courses: sign on for a three-month “field trip” studying tropical biology in Malaysia or classical archaeology in Greece. Some students fulfill their departments’ practicum requirements in far-flung locations, as was the case for Navi Bhatti, an education student who expanded her skills teaching children in Ghana. UVic students contribute to communities around the world by devoting time and expertise to causes they care about.

Career services can help you find internships and part-time work to earn some extra cash during the school year.
Places that only exist in the imaginations of others come to life as our students tell their real-life stories about Ghana, Mars and Thailand.
At UVic students are encouraged to design their own academic experience by selecting from first-rate courses offered within and across departments. Some may choose to head directly into one of our outstanding faculties; others will be attracted to one of 10 themed programs that span across the boundaries of individual departments. For example, UVic offers an interdisciplinary minor in social justice, which bridges the fields of anthropology, philosophy, political science, sociology, environmental studies, Indigenous studies and educational psychology. Similarly, the minor concentration in film studies draws together courses from 13 departments including writing, history of art, music, women’s studies, French and Asian studies. We also have an “undecided” status for students who want to explore a range of subjects before declaring a major.

To help international students adjust to academic and social life at UVic, we offer many avenues of support. The Learning Commons offers assistance in writing, math, physics and chemistry. Our International and Exchange Student Office provides year-round guidance on issues like immigration, employment and health insurance. Support of a more personal nature is readily available through Counselling Services and the campus health centre. You can join ski trips, kayak outings and movie nights hosted by the Buddy Program, which connects international students with UVic students who are already rooted in the campus culture. Whatever your individual goals and challenges, the UVic community is here to help you make the most of your experience.
Life at UVic is diverse and inclusive. With over 70 per cent of students coming from outside Victoria, the campus is infused with a strong sense of community. This is the kind of place where intense study and big aspirations are balanced by recreation and sociability. Although students spend much of their well-deserved downtime doing their own thing, they enjoy coming together for events that provide opportunities to meet new people.

Our recreational options are designed to suit everyone, from competitive athletes to occasional treadmill users. Come out to cheer for the Vikes or try out for one of our varsity teams in basketball, field hockey, soccer, swimming, track, golf, rugby and rowing. Less competitive versions of these sports plus others like ultimate frisbee, dodgeball and sailing are offered in our intramural leagues and sports clubs. Those who prefer a more informal workout can drop in to one of two well-equipped athletic centres or take a class in anything from yoga and spinning to martial arts and dance.

You can also connect with others through shared interests in over 100 student-run clubs. If you are passionate about photography, improv theatre, surfing or the environment, you will find like-minded people here. Join one of UVic’s dynamic student chapters of Amnesty International, Oxfam and Engineers without Borders. Maybe you’ll find your voice at the campus radio station, or hook up with the creative team at our independent newspaper, The Martlet, which welcomes student contributions of stories, photos and comics.

Whether it’s scuba gear, the violin you’ve played since you were five or a favourite skateboard, we’ve got room for whatever you bring to UVic.
LIVING ON CAMPUS

Half of UVic’s first-year students choose to live on campus, and living in residence is certainly convenient: the rooms are furnished, the meals are provided and the classrooms are just steps away. More importantly, residence life is a hub of friendship, peer support and social activity. We guarantee a spot in residence for all students who come to UVic directly from high school. The food plan for on-campus residents can be used in the dining hall or other campus eateries, including an excellent vegetarian restaurant.

If residence is not for you, other options include off-campus housing or boarding with a Canadian family. The homestay program organized through the English Language Centre is a great choice for international students who are keen to improve their English and experience Canadian culture within a welcoming family environment.
## ACADEMIC PROGRAM GUIDE

### KNOW WHAT YOU WANT TO STUDY?

Choose your program from the list below and find out all the details at [www.uvic.ca/academic](http://www.uvic.ca/academic). Not sure what you want to study? No problem. Apply as "undecided" in the Faculties of Humanities, Science or Social Sciences. Programs with mandatory work experience are noted with an*.

Questions? Email International Student Recruitment at [uvip@uvic.ca](mailto:uvip@uvic.ca).

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### Additional programs

UVic offers a range of minor and interdisciplinary opportunities beyond those listed here – from applied ethics to social justice or film studies – as well as a number of programs not available for direct entry from high school, including Education, Social Work and Law. For a complete list of the programs offered, including pre-professional studies, diplomas and certificates, consult the calendar at [www.uvic.ca/calendar](http://www.uvic.ca/calendar).

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**Looking to complement your academic studies with work experience?**

Visit [www.uvic.ca/coop](http://www.uvic.ca/coop) to learn about UVic’s Co-operative Education Program.
FEES AND FUNDING

You can find detailed information about financial aid online at www.uvic.ca/safa, but we’ve provided the basics here.

Questions? Contact our Student Awards and Financial Aid Office at finaid@uvic.ca or 250-721-8423.

WAYS TO HELP PAY FOR SCHOOL

• Be considered for a UVic scholarship:
  Entrance scholarships of $20,000, payable at $5,000 per year, are awarded to academically outstanding international undergraduate students entering UVic. You will be automatically considered for these scholarships at the time of admission. Students continuing to study at UVic will be automatically considered for in-course scholarships based on their UVic grades. Canadian students living abroad pay Canadian tuition fees and can receive other scholarships. Questions? Email entrancescholarships@uvic.ca.

• Work on campus while you study:
  Visit www.uvic.ca/safa for details about the Work Study Program, which connects students with part-time jobs on campus.

• Apply for a scholarship or loan through your home country:
  Talk with your high school counsellor to find out about financial opportunities offered through your own country (e.g. US students may receive financial assistance from US Federal Student Aid [FAFSA]). UVic’s FAFSA code is 00837000. Visit www.fafsa.ed.gov for details.

• Work off campus with a Canadian company:
  As an international student, you can work off campus while completing your studies. You will also be eligible to obtain a work permit that will allow you to work in Canada for three years following graduation. For more information, visit www.cic.gc.ca.

AVERAGE STUDENT COSTS FOR 8 MONTHS AT UVIC

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Current as of July 2010
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS BY COUNTRY

Certain minimum qualifications are required for consideration for admission to first-year studies at UVic. Specific subject requirements and/or supplementary information may also be needed, depending on the desired program.

Requirements are organized by country, region or curriculum. For more details, please visit the following pages:

- Canadian curriculum www.uvic.ca/programreq
- US curriculum www.uvic.ca/usreq
- All other countries www.uvic.ca/intlreq

SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS FOLLOWING THE US CURRICULUM

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1 Chemistry and 2 Physics
2 At least 1 Chemistry and 1 Physics

Full details can be found at www.uvic.ca/usreq. If you have questions or need help, contact UVic Admissions at 250-721-8121 or email uvip@uvic.ca.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT STUDENTS

As an IB or AP student, you are recognized as having completed university-level course work and can receive transfer credit for specific courses, advanced standing (allowing you to register into a higher level of course work) or even additional scholarships. If you have completed the IB program with a minimum of 32 points you are guaranteed a minimum entrance scholarship of $2,000 CDN.

For more details, including information on transfer credit, visit www.uvic.ca/ibap.
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY FOR APPLICANTS WHOSE FIRST LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH

Applicants whose first language is not English are required to demonstrate English language proficiency prior to admission.

This may be done in a number of ways, including the following:

- Submit a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a score of 90 on the internet-based test with not less than 20 in each of the four sections (speaking, reading, writing and listening) or 575 or higher on the paper-based test.
- Submit a minimum score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with at least 6.0 on each subtest.
- Complete UVic’s University Admission Preparation (UAP) course with a grade of 80% or higher.

See www.uvic.ca/esl for a complete list of ways to demonstrate English language proficiency.

CONDITIONAL ADMISSION FOR ESL STUDENTS

If you are not yet able to demonstrate acceptable English language proficiency, you may be offered Conditional Admission to UVic if you:

- apply to the Faculties of Humanities, Social Sciences, Science, Engineering or the History in Art program
- meet all other current admission requirements for your faculty or program

and

- provide an acceptable language proficiency test score (a minimum TOEFL score of 71 iBT or an IELTS score of 5.5 will be considered)
- or are registered in UVic’s English Language Centre (ELC) 410 level or above within 12 months of the selected academic entry point.

Proof of an acceptable IELTS or TOEFL test score or completion of the UAP course with a grade of 80% or higher is required before students can begin degree studies and attend academic classes. The UAP course is the highest level of the ELC’s English Language Programs. Visit www.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc for application and program information or email elcreg@uvcs.uvic.ca.

For more information, see www.uvic.ca/esl.

UNDERGRADUATE ENGLISH REQUIREMENT (FOR ALL UVIC STUDENTS)

As an undergraduate student, you are required to take a designated English course in order to graduate with a UVic degree, unless you qualify for one of the exemptions listed at www.uvic.ca/englishrequirement.

Before registering in an English class, most students must take the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) to determine correct placement. Visit www.lpi.ubc.ca for test dates and locations.
HOW TO APPLY

International applicants should start the application process early.

1. Pick a faculty and program. Visit www.uvic.ca and click on “Choose your program”.

2. Check the admission requirements for your faculty or program on page 16 or contact uvip@uvic.ca.

3. Apply online at www.uvic.ca/apply (check deadlines on page 20). Pay the application fee and provide additional materials as requested.
   *The Faculties of Business, Education, Fine Arts and Human and Social Development have additional requirements, such as questionnaires, auditions and portfolio submissions.*

4. Arrange to have two (2) official copies (not photocopies) of all secondary and post-secondary transcripts sent directly from the issuing institution to UVic:

   **MAILING ADDRESS:**
   - Undergraduate Admissions
   - University of Victoria
   - PO Box 3025 STN CSC
   - Victoria, BC V8W 3P2 Canada

   **COURIER ADDRESS:**
   - Undergraduate Admissions
   - University of Victoria
   - University Centre
   - 3800 Finnerty Road (Ring Road)
   - Victoria, BC V8P 5C2 Canada

After you apply

Once you have applied you will receive your UVic student number by email. You can check your application status online at www.uvic.ca/mystatus.

You will also receive a letter providing you with an admission contact and information regarding the completion of your application process.

Questions? Visit www.uvic.ca/adms/contact.html or call 250-721-8121.
STUDY PERMITS
If you are not a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada, you will need a study permit and an offer of admission if you plan to study at a Canadian university for longer than six months. To apply for a study permit, please contact the nearest Canadian embassy, high commission or consulate. For more information, visit the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website at www.cic.gc.ca.

MEDICAL INSURANCE
If you will stay in British Columbia for more than six months of the year, it is mandatory that you enrol in the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP). You must apply within the first 10 days of your arrival in BC. Instructions, application forms and information about premiums are available at www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp.

The waiting period to receive BC MSP coverage is approximately three months. During the waiting period, you must have basic coverage from an alternate health insurance provider. It is recommended that you set this up prior to your arrival in BC through a provider in your home country or in Canada. AON is a company that UVic has selected to provide basic health insurance for new international students during the BC MSP waiting period. Application forms are available at http://extranet.aon.ca/uvic.

If you will stay in BC for fewer than six months of the year, you are not required to enrol in the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP). However, you must still obtain basic health insurance for the duration of your stay.

HOUSING
If you want to live on campus, you must apply separately at www.uvic.ca/housing. As a first-year student coming to UVic directly from high school, you’re guaranteed a spot in residence if you have:
- submitted an application to UVic and received your student ID number,
- completed a housing application and paid the $25 CDN housing application fee by June 30 and
- accepted your offer of admission to UVic and paid the $200 CDN UVic acceptance deposit by June 30.

Residence rates for 2010–2011
- Single room with medium food plan (September to April) $7,696
- Double room with medium food plan (September to April) $6,818
WHEN TO APPLY

The deadlines below are fixed dates. If a fixed date falls on a holiday, a Saturday or a Sunday, the nearest following day of business will be considered the deadline. The university reserves the right to make changes as necessary.

Below is a list of direct entry programs. Official in-progress transcripts are required at the time of application. For the full list of deadlines, visit www.uvic.ca/deadlines.

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Continuing Studies Diplomas and Certificates

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*International student status is determined by citizenship.
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enable talented students to engage in direct research under Mentorship and supervision from UVic’s top researchers. To recognize significant contributions to research this year, UVic’s Undergraduate Research Scholarships are awarded to 53 undergraduates, providing them with the opportunity to make meaningful contributions to their fields. One of the recipients is Nathan Bennett, a PhD candidate in geography at UVic, who has been awarded a highly coveted $180,000 doctoral scholarship from the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation. Bennett’s research focuses on environmental conservation and the reduction of human poverty, specifically on the Andaman Coast of Thailand. His work is centered around understanding the impact of human activities on coastal ecosystems and how to coexist with these environments. Bennett's research will support his investigation into the livelihoods of people in poor coastal communities, working alongside protected marine parks.

**KILLAM PRIZE**
Awarded to People’s Advocate

UVic political philosopher, Dr. James Tully, was awarded the prestigious Killam Prize for his work on the rights of minorities and Indigenous peoples, global inequality, and environmental crisis. His approach to civic struggles is both historical and theoretical, foregrounding the capacities of individuals and governments to act co-operatively to address the complex challenges of the day. A Fellow of the Royal Society and the Trudeau Foundation, Dr. Tully is currently UVic’s Distinguished Professor of Political Science, Law, Indigenous Governance and Philosophy.

**WATER**
Price It Right for Conservation

A new University of Victoria report is stimulating national dialogue on the use of water pricing as part of a sustainable approach to resource management. Worth Every Penny provides practical economic and technical information about how to implement conservation-oriented water pricing. Successful examples include communities on Vancouver Island that have reduced water demand and improved the environmental performance of water utilities without negative impacts on low-income families.

**WOOLSTENCROFT**
Skis to Paralympics Podium

UVic alumna Lauren Woolstencroft raked in five gold medals in the alpine standing ski races at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Paralympics. The Calgary-born skier, who was born with legs truncated at the knee, became “Canada’s Golden Girl” and carried the national flag at the close of the 2010 Games. Woolstencroft chose to study engineering at UVic because this excellent hands-on program allowed her to take time off for training and competition. After she graduated she landed a job with BC Hydro, working on power distribution infrastructure for Olympic venues.
The Preview Handbook was printed in August 2010, one year before the 2011-2012 winter session. If there are discrepancies between this publication and the University of Victoria Undergraduate Calendar, the calendar will take precedence.