School of Public Health and Social Policy
BA in Health and Community Services
Admission and Application Guidelines

Application Deadline: January 31st 2021

Eligibility Requirements

Program Information

1) The BA in Health and Community Services is a four year degree program consisting of 30 units of CORE course work.
2) At least 30 units must be completed in the Health and Community Services Program.
3) All students must meet UVic's Academic Writing Requirement outlined in the current Calendar.
4) Students in the program choose an Area of Focus: Indigenous Health, Ageing, Disability Studies or International/Global Health.
5) The program is ONLINE except for three required on-site components (one week orientation prior to program beginning, in last week of August; one week area of focus course in May of your first year; two day Culminating Conference in April at the end of your program).
6) This program has a required PRACTICUM, a 225 hour experiential learning experience in the final term. If you are employed, time off work will be required, as practicum placements are typically outside of the work place.

PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS January 31st 2021
Admission Requirements

1) Students will have usually completed 30 units of 1st and 2nd year coursework at UVic or another recognized post-secondary institution, upon admission. However, those who have completed at least 12 units of course work may apply to enter the program in second year for ON CAMPUS studies, and students who have completed 27 or more units may apply to enter the program in third year for ONLINE studies.

2) Admission of transfer students who have completed transferable course work at another recognized post-secondary institution will be considered, as per UVic transfer credit policies outlined in the current UVic Calendar. Some academic certificate or diploma programs may be eligible for block credit; this does not include vocational or professional development credentials.

3) Students are selected through a competitive application process. A GPA of 4.0 (B-) on the most recent 12 units is required.

4) It is strongly recommended that students have completed Pre-calculus 11 or Foundations of Mathematics 12 or equivalent.

Supporting documents are required and form part of your application. They MUST be ready to upload at the time of your online application. These include (unofficial) transcripts, a statement of intent and your resume (CV).

Applying to UVic is easy! Just follow the steps at the link below.

https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/admissions/how-to-apply/index.php

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The following documents are required and form part of your application. They must be ready to upload at the time of your online application.

1) Submit transcripts – UNOFFICIAL transcripts are okay for application purposes; if you are offered a seat in the program OFFICIAL copies will be required later

- High school completion or equivalent
- All post-secondary

2) Statement of Intent

The Statement of Intent must include the items outlined below, and not exceed two pages in length double-spaced (standard 12 point fonts & one inch margins are required).

**Hint**

A strong statement of intent provides the opportunity for your application to stand out. Please make sure it covers the following points.

- Preferred area of focus and second choice of area of focus
- Purpose in seeking degree
- Describe how this degree relates to your experience, goals and career plans
- Full or part time study
3) Resume/CV (maximum three pages)

A resume/CV should contain the following:

**Hint**

- Skills
- Education
- Employment Experience
- Volunteer Experience
- Awards Received

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**Criteria for Selection and Review**

All applicants who meet the criteria for admission to UVic will be reviewed according to the following criteria.

1) Grade Point Average (GPA) minimum 4.0/9.0 (B-)

2) Statement of Intent

3) Other considerations include professional and volunteer experience and community service.

Once admitted to the program students may change their area of focus subject to individual academic advising with the Program Manager.

Some applicants may:

- have exemplary careers and records of accomplishment yet have irregular undergraduate university records;

- have a GPA below B- (4.0)
Tuition Fees and Funding Opportunities

For tuition fees information visit:

http://www.uvic.ca/vpfo/accounting/services/tuition/index.php

For funding opportunities information visit: https://www.uvic.ca/registrar/safa/index.php

Having trouble with the online application process?

If you experience any difficulty and need assistance with your online application, please contact:

Student Support Services
Telephone: (250) 721-8121
studentsupport@uvic.ca