

# FROM STUDENT SUCCESS TO CAREER SATISFACTION

Find a career you'll love by gaining hands-on experience while completing your degree



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND CO-OP + CAREER

## 3 STEPS FOR SUCCESS

### 1 DISCOVER

It's never too early to think about life after graduation and begin finding out what options are available to you. Here are a few ways to get started on your journey of discovery:

**Attend career-oriented events (recommended: 1st year of studies or later)**

- Co-op & Career Info Day
- "Success in the Humanities and Fine Arts" event
- "What can you do with your degree?" sessions
- Virtual Career Fair

[uvic.ca/coopandcareer/events](https://uvic.ca/coopandcareer/events)

**Find the resources to help you build a career you'll love**

- See where your degree can take you by browsing careers related to your major
- Browse job postings to find part-time and summer jobs
- Meet with your career educator for support with any of these activities

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**TIP:** *It's okay if you don't know what career you'll want later on—that's the point of discovering what's out there! Attend these events and use these resources with an open mind.*

### 2 EXPLORE

Now that you've taken the time to look around and consider your options, it's time to try something new and gain experience that will enhance your degree and bolster your résumé later on.

**Get involved on campus through co-curricular activities (recommended: 1st year of studies or later)**

- Join a student club or course union
- Become a community leader or mentor
- Join a recreation or athletics club

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**Gain practical work experience while you study through these programs (recommended: 2nd year of studies or later)**

- Co-op
- Work Experience
- Community service learning
- Tutor or volunteer through [learninginmotion.uvic.ca](https://learninginmotion.uvic.ca)
- Work Study (\*eligibility is based on demonstrated student financial need)
- Research Assistant (\*apply with individual professors)

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**TIP:** *Plan ahead to fit these opportunities in with your course schedule. Don't sign up for more than you can handle!*

### 3 GEAR UP TO GRADUATE!

This is the time to start putting all the pieces together in preparation for life after graduation. And if you haven't yet joined that club, studied abroad or tried your hand at co-op, what are you waiting for?

**Find a career that works for you (recommended: 3rd or 4th years of study)**

- Connect with the Student Wellness Centre about their Career Curiosity program [uvic.ca/services/counselling](https://uvic.ca/services/counselling)
- Come to our "What can you do with your degree?" sessions [uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/degree](https://uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/degree)
- Join the Horizons career exploration program [uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/programs-workshops](https://uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/programs-workshops)

**Become career-ready**

- Develop your professional portfolio at workshops such as the Résumé Lab, Ace Your Interviews, LinkedIn Essentials, Network Your Way to a Job, or "Success in the Humanities and Fine Arts" event [uvic.ca/coopandcareer/workshops](https://uvic.ca/coopandcareer/workshops)
- Meet with your career educator for help with career planning, job searching and more. Email your career educator directly at [joyandre@uvic.ca](mailto:joyandre@uvic.ca) or [uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/educator](https://uvic.ca/coopandcareer/career/educator)

**TIP:** *Start developing your professional portfolio now by asking current or former supervisors if they would act as your reference in the future. You can also build your network by connecting with students, staff and faculty through LinkedIn!*

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES



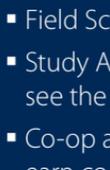
### Gain hands-on experience

Many UVic courses and programs provide dynamic, hands-on learning opportunities in classrooms, within communities, in research settings and in the workplace.

Academic experiences include:

- Academic courses
- Academic exchanges
- Community service-learning courses (CSL)
- Field schools
- Co-op work terms
- Internships
- Work experience program terms
- Practica

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### Travel

Your degree can take you across the world to encounter unique places, peoples and cultures! Earn academic credits while you travel through any of these programs:

- Field Schools: visit sites within Canada and abroad
- Study Abroad/International Exchange: see the world while completing your degree
- Co-op around the world: work abroad while you earn co-op credit at home

[uvic.ca/humanities/student-resources/travel](https://uvic.ca/humanities/student-resources/travel)

*Update (Fall 2020): Due to COVID-19, the university has placed a temporary hold on all outbound global student mobility programs. For more information, please visit [uvic.ca/covid-19/travel](https://uvic.ca/covid-19/travel)*

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