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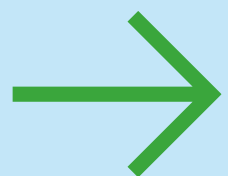
UVic Bound:

Destination Victoria: Pre-departure Prep





We acknowledge and respect the Ləkʷəŋən (Songhees and Xʷsepsəm/Esquimalt) Peoples on whose territory the university stands, and the Ləkʷəŋən and W̱SÁNEĆ Peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.





UVic Bound Prizes



- Send your first and last name directly to Jeannine for a chance to win some UVic swag.

Prizes will be given out at the UVic Bound Meet & Greet on August 26th.



Agenda

- Getting ready
- Travelling to Canada
- Getting settled
- Break-out chats
- Wrap-up



Destination Victoria!



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Learn more

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Listen to Bradley Dick (Songhees) and relatives share a welcome song and the histories of these territories

Read more on the histories of these territories as told by members of the Songhees Nation

Watch this lesson on the important of land to knowledge, culture, and healing in Lekwungen Territories

Walk around these territories, learning from artists who tell stories of the histories of these lands



Victoria - what to expect

Geography

- Small island on West Coast of Canada
- Beaches, mountains, and forests
- ~400,000 people in Greater Victoria

Climate

- Mild weather year-round
- Dry summers, rainy winters
- Snow is very rare

UVic

- Located 20 mins from Downtown Victoria
- Spacious, green campus
- ~20,000 students



Packing

What to pack:

- Medications: [3-month supply](#)
- [Weather appropriate clothes](#)
- Specialty toiletries
- Reminder of home

What NOT to pack:

- [Large amounts of cash](#)
- Parkas, snow boots
- Agricultural food items
(tip: [check CBSA guidelines](#))
- General housewares



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Important documents

In addition to your immigration docs, bring:

- Prescriptions
- Payment methods
- Identity documents
- Driver's license
- Medical and vaccination records

Important: translating all medical documents in your home country will save you money and time



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Travelling to Canada



Located at Vancouver, Halifax,
Montreal, Quebec City, and Winnipeg


Travel Documentation checklist:

- ☐ Valid passport or other acceptable travel document
- ☐ Valid study permit or letter of introduction
- ☐ Valid temporary resident visa OR eTA (unless exempt)
- ☐ Verification of enrolment ([Online Tools](#))
- ☐ Proof of funds
- ☐ Valid letter of acceptance or [study permit information letter](#) from UVic
- ☐ Proof of a valid [immigration medical examination](#) (if required)
- ☐ Advance Declaration confirmation email (Optional)



For detailed information, visit ICS website – [Travelling to Canada](#).



Letter of Introduction

 Citizenship and Immigration Canada / Citoyenneté et Immigration Canada
June 09, 2016

Unique Client Identifier: [Your Universal Client ID] Application Number: [Your Application Number]

[Your Name]
[Your Address]

Dear [Your Name],

Your application to study in Canada has been approved. A permit authorizing your studies will be issued to you on your arrival to Canada following an examination by an officer of the Canada Border Services Agency, subject to your compliance with the requirements of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and its Regulations. The officer will ask to see this letter, your passport and may request to see your supporting documents, such as the letter of acceptance from your educational institution. Do not pack these or other valuable papers in your checked luggage. You can find out more about which documents you will need to bring with you by visiting www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/study.asp.

As you gather your documents, please take note of the following:

- **This letter is not a passport or travel document.** You will not be permitted to board your flight without your passport, even if you have this letter with you.
- **This letter is not an authorization permitting you to enter or remain in Canada.** An officer of the Canada Border Services Agency will make that determination upon your arrival to Canada.
- **This letter is important** because it contains information that will be used by the Canada Border Services Agency to issue your study permit. Please do not misplace it.

You must seek entry to Canada to obtain your study permit by 2018/03/21 (yyyy/mm/dd). Your passport must be valid beyond the period you intend to remain in Canada. If not, the validity of your study permit will not be issued beyond the expiry date of your passport, or, for United States citizens and permanent residents, the validity date of your identity document.


Note: As an international student in Canada, it is your responsibility to ensure that you continue to meet the conditions of your study permit, including the requirement to actively pursue studies. Your study permit will automatically become invalid 90 days after you complete your study program, regardless of the expiry date indicated on your study permit. For more information, please consult: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp>

Be sure to:


- review information and arrival deadline carefully
- follow the instructions to prepare your arrival to Canada
- consult with us if you have questions



Entry documents



Government
of Canada



Gouvernement
du Canada

Date: March 27, 2023

UCI: [REDACTED]

Application no.: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Canada

Dear [REDACTED]

Your application to stay in Canada as a temporary resident has been approved. Your permit has been mailed to you at the address you gave us when you applied.

If you have not received your document within six weeks from the date of this letter, contact us by completing this [Web form](#).

Please note that **this letter is a notification only**. It is **not valid for travel and is not a permit** allowing you to stay in Canada.

Document to travel to Canada or re-enter

A study or work permit is not a travel document. To allow you to travel to or re-enter Canada **by air only**, we have issued you an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) when we issued your permit extension. Your eTA is **linked to the passport that you used to apply** for your permit renewal. You must travel with this same passport. If you get a new passport, you will need to get a new eTA.

To learn more about eTA, visit [Canada.ca/eTA](#).

Summary of documents issued

Document type	Validity	Document number
Permit - SP-EXT / Permis - PE-PROR	2025/09/30	[REDACTED]
eTA	2027/07/03	[REDACTED]

Sincerely,

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)



Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)





Study Permit

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada / Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada

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CANADA

EB [REDACTED]
F [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Application/Demande: S [REDACTED]
UCI/IUC: [REDACTED]

STUDY PERMIT/PERMIS D'ÉTUDES

CLIENT INFORMATION/INFORMATION DU CLIENT

Family Name/Nom de Famille: [REDACTED]
Given Name(s)/Prénom(s): [REDACTED]
Date of Birth/Date de naissance: [REDACTED] (yyyy/mm/dd - aaaa/mm/aa)
Sex/Sexe: MALE
Country of Birth/Pays de naissance: KOREA, SOUTH
Country of Citizenship/Citoyen de: KOREA, SOUTH
Travel Doc No./N° du document de voyage: [REDACTED] PASSPORT

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/INFORMATION SUPPLÉMENTAIRE

Date Issued/Délivré le: 2025/02/20 (yyyy/mm/dd - aaaa/mm/aa)
Expiry Date/Date d'expiration: 2026/12/03 (yyyy/mm/dd - aaaa/mm/aa)
Case Type/Genre de cas: 30
Institution Name/Nom de l'institution: UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
Field of Study/Domaine d'études: SCIENCE, APPLIED
Level of Study/Niveau d'étude: UNIVERSITY - MASTER'S DEG. / UNIVERSITÉ - MAÎTRISE
In Force From/En vigueur le: 2025/02/20 (yyyy/mm/dd - aaaa/mm/aa)

Conditions:

1. MUST LEAVE CANADA BY 2026/12/03
2. NOT VALID FOR EMPLOYMENT IN BUSINESSES RELATED TO THE SEX TRADE SUCH AS STRIP CLUBS, MASSAGE PARLOURS OR ESCORT SERVICES.
3. MAY ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT ON OR OFF CAMPUS IF MEETING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AS PER R186(F), (V) OR (W). MUST CEASE WORKING IF NO LONGER MEETING THESE CRITERIA.

Remarks/Observations:

TEMPORARY RESIDENT STATUS MAINTAINED AS PER R183(6).
STATUT DE RÉSIDENT TEMPORAIRE MAINTENU SELON R183(6).

THIS DOES NOT AUTHORIZE RE-ENTRY/CECI N'AUTORISE PAS LA RÉ-ENTRÉE

THIS FORM HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE MINISTER OF IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES AND CITIZENSHIP CANADA - THIS DOCUMENT IS THE PROPERTY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
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Be sure to

- Review all information carefully before you leave the Custom area
- Check your institution name and the conditions
- Consult with us if you have questions

Immigration Tips

- Allow time to complete your immigration screening and document creation process
- Answer questions honestly and be ready to explain your purpose of visit and provide information as required
- Review your physical immigration documents carefully before you leave



Arriving in Victoria

Most students will arrive to Victoria by:

- [Plane](#) (Victoria International Airport, YYJ)
- [Ferry](#) (Vancouver - Tsawwassen Terminal to Victoria - Swartz Bay Terminal)

Services at the Victoria airport:

- Currency exchange
- Wifi
- Information

Transit options to where you are staying:

- [BC Transit Bus](#) (\$6 for day pass, cash only)
- [BC Connector](#) (YVR to YYJ)
- Uber, Lyft
- Taxi (~\$75)



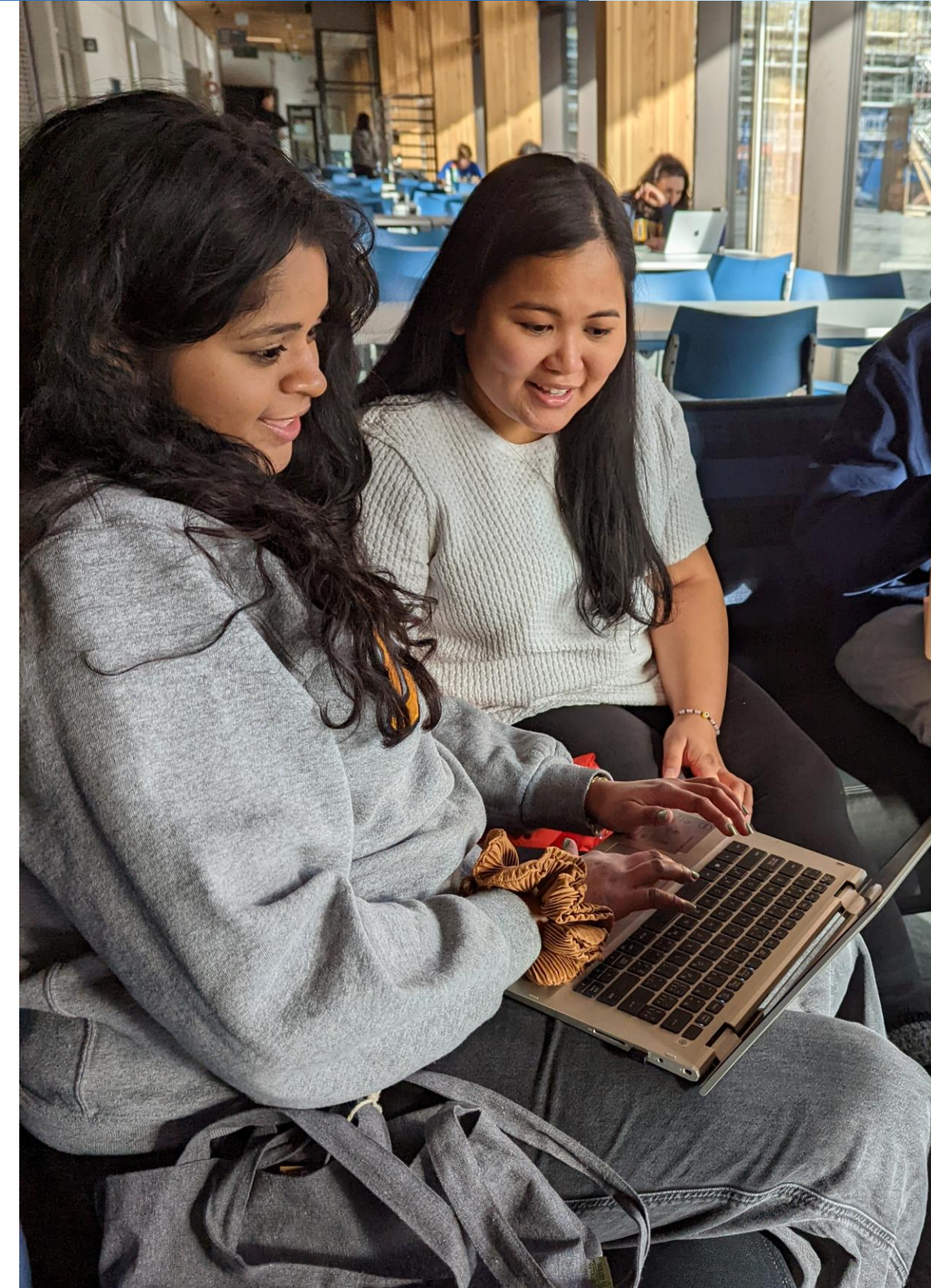
Getting Set Up

First days:

- [Open a bank account](#)
- [Connect a local phone line or eSIM](#)
- Set up your new home
- Explore Victoria and meet new people!

First weeks:

- [Apply for MSP](#)
- [Apply for SIN](#) (if you plan to work)
- [Get a BC ID](#)



First days at UVic

- Get your [ONECard](#)
- Check out the [Student Union Building](#)
- [Clubs and Course Union days](#)
- Attend [orientations](#) and events:
 - Residence
 - UVSS
 - New student events
- Attend [International Student Orientation](#) programs and the International Student Welcome!

Learn where to find the ICS!

2nd floor of the Jamie Cassels Centre: B 202d



Getting around

Starting **September 1**, most UVic students are automatically enrolled in the [U-Pass](#), a discounted student bus pass

To ride the bus:

1. Get your benefit code through your “online tools”
2. Set up your [Umo app](#) or get a card
3. Activate your code

Other useful tools for getting around:

- [BC Transit Trip Planner](#)
- [Google maps](#)

Other types of transport:

- [Biking: maps and bike loan program](#)
- [Driving: parking information](#)



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Safety and emergencies

UVic Campus security

- Phone: 250 721 7599
- Resources: [SafeWalk](#), [Campus Alone](#), [Uvic SafetyApp](#)

Emergencies:

- **911:** for ambulance, fire, police
- **Hospitals:** [Royal Jubilee](#) and [Victoria General](#)

UVic Student Wellness Centre: medical care, counselling, mental health supports and spiritual care for UVic students

Virtual health

- [Mobile Doctor](#): free virtual health w/ GuardMe plan
- [SupportConnect](#): free, confidential mental health support 24/7
- 811 to talk to a nurse for free



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Health insurance reminder



- You will be automatically enrolled in the Mandatory Temporary Medical Insurance plan / GuardMe
- Coverage dates: August 18 – December 31, 2025
- If you are arriving early, [apply online](#) for additional coverage
- [Apply for MSP](#) when you arrive in BC

Join our [Health Insurance Information session](#)
August 19 from 9am-10am (PT)

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Taking off – last tips!



- Write important phone numbers and addresses down on paper or on your phone
- Carry original travel and immigration documents with you!
- Pre-load a translator app on your phone
- Bring petty cash in CAD
- Reach out prior to your arrival to Canada if you have questions or need any help

Travel tip: pack your most important items in your carry on!



Break-out Chats

Room 1:
Getting ready

Room 2:
Getting settled



Questions?



International Student Advising

Immigration and settlement supports

Advising Drop-in Hours:

Hours: Monday-Friday, 1:30 – 3:30 pm (PT)

In-person, phone, MS Teams

Phone: +1 250 721 6361

Email contact: icsinfo@uvic.ca

Website: www.uvic.ca/ics

Office: Jamie Cassels Building, B202d





UVic Bound Prizes



- Prizes can be collected at the UVic Bound Meet and Greet on Tuesday August 26.

Stay Connected



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STUDENT LEADER DROP IN

August 13, 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. PDT

EMAIL YOUR STUDENT LEADER

uvicbound@uvic.ca

FOLLOW OUR INSTAGRAM

[@uvicinternational](https://www.instagram.com/uvicinternational)

UVic Bound Meet & Greet

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August 26, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Join us to connect in person,
enjoy a delicious coffee break,
and start your orientation week
with new friends!



International Student Orientation Programs

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August 18-22

Online programming

August 26-September 5

In-person programming



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<div>We look forward to connecting with you in-person this week!</div> <div>Please register for each of the International Student Orientation Program events you would like to attend. Click on the event title for more details.</div>		<div><u>Thriving at UVic</u> 11:00am to 1:00pm</div> <div><u>Lunch & Connect</u> 1:00pm to 2:30pm</div>	<div><u>From Here to Career: Building Your Future in Canada</u> 10:00am to 12:00pm</div> <div><u>Grad Library Tour</u> 1:00pm to 1:30pm</div> <div><u>Undergraduate Library Tour</u> 2:00pm to 2:30pm</div> <div><u>Bus Route Basics: Hillside</u> 3:00pm to 7:00pm</div>	<div><u>International Student Welcome Event</u> 9:15am to 4:00pm</div> <div><u>Graduate Student Board Games Night</u> 5:00pm to 8:30pm</div>	<div><u>Campus Tours</u> 9:00am to 10:15am</div> <div><u>SIN Application Drop-In Session</u> 10:00am to 3:00pm</div> <div><u>Lawn Games on the Quad</u> 3:00pm to 4:30pm</div>	<div><u>Photo Scavenger Hunt</u> 3:30pm to 7:30pm</div>

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to our [newsletter](#), and join our [upcoming events](#)!



Thank you!



Welcome to the UVic Global Community.