The University of Victoria operates under the authority of the University Act and is governed by a Board of Governors and a Senate.

**Board of Governors** - Responsible for the management, administration and control of property, revenue, business and affairs of the university. *(University Act, Part 6)*

**University Senate** - Responsible for the academic governance of the university, including matters related to libraries, faculties, departments, courses of instruction, fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions, bursaries, prizes, admissions, student appeals, and the granting of degrees. *(University Act, Part 7)*

**University Secretary** - Coordinates, facilitates and records the activities of the university’s foundations and senior advisory committees. Also responsible for issues related to privacy and access to information, equity and human rights, policy and elections *(University Act, Part 9 & 11)*

**President and Vice-Chancellor** - Provides overall leadership to the university. Directs university operations including academic work, business affairs, alumni relations, government relations and community engagement. Fulfills the vision and mission of the university. Works with the Vice-Presidents and the University Secretary, who report to the President, and other academic and administrative leaders. *(University Act, Part 11)*

**Chancellor** - Titular head of the university and the chair of convocation. Confers all degrees. *(University Act, Part 5)"