UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Start your journey to success
with the U of A Year One Foundation Program

Your gateway to 100+ bachelor's degree programs at a world top 100 university*

What is the Year One Foundation Program?

The University of Alberta (U of A) Year One Foundation Program prepares you to enter the second year of your chosen degree program. If you don't currently meet the academic requirements for your major, the Year One Foundation Program is designed to help you get there.

First-class teaching and support

This program acts as the first year of a four-year degree program, so you'll be a U of A student from day one and won't lose any time! If you need any support while you're enrolled in the program, U of A and Kaplan are here to help you with your studies, adjusting to life in Canada, work authorization, or career path.

Why enroll in this program?

- Full access to U of A facilities
- Supportive community that sets you up for success
- Personalized support for international students
- Small class sizes

*QS World University Rankings 2025

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Entry requirements

To qualify for this program, you'll need to meet the following criteria:
- IELTS 6.0 (at least 5.5 in all skills) or equivalent
- High school completion with grades equivalent to 70% in the Canadian curriculum*

* Exact grades will depend on your country and chosen degree program.

Progression information

The Year One Foundation Program is available for majors in five faculties. After successfully completing the foundation year, you will progress to your second year in a University of Alberta undergraduate degree program.

Tuition costs for the Year One Foundation Program

Foundation Program faculty	Campus	Typical length	Tuition and program fees†
Faculty of Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences	North Campus	1 year	CAD $33,968
Faculty of Science	North Campus	1 year	CAD $36,176
Faculty of Arts	North Campus	1 year	CAD $33,968
Alberta School of Business	North Campus	1 year	CAD $40,300
Augustana faculty	North Campus	1 year	CAD $31,089

† Costs are for 2024–25

Start dates for 2025

- Winter term: January 9
- Summer term: May 1
- Fall term: September 2

What if I don't meet the English requirements to join the Year One Foundation Program?

If you don't currently meet the entry requirements for the University of Alberta Year One Foundation Program, you may be able to join the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program to develop your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. The program is taught on campus at U of A's English Language School by U of A instructors. After completing the program, you'll be eligible for admission to the Year One Foundation Program!

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