



Located on the awe-inspiring Pacific coast, the University of Victoria is one of Canada's best-kept secrets. You'll study at a top Canadian research university with a focus on sustainability, inclusion and career success.

Discover Canada's hidden gem

At UVic, you'll join a welcoming community on a beautiful eco-friendly campus in one of the world's best small cities. As well as a great place to live and study, the University is a national leader in preparing students for their future. You'll gain valuable work experience that makes you attractive to employers while receiving an excellent value education.

Get to know UVic

Founded in 1963, UVic is located 7km north of downtown Victoria in British Columbia. UVic is ranked the #2 best comprehensive university in Canada by Maclean's University Rankings 2024. A mid-sized public university, UVic's student population is 22,620, including 4,000 international students.



#1

comprehensive university in Canada for preparing career-ready students

Times Higher Education Global University Employability Ranking 2022

#3

in the world for climate action

Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2023

Up to 16 months

of paid work experience through UVic's successful Co-op program

CAD\$10,000

entry scholarship awarded to up to 200 international undergraduates each year



"I feel super supported by UVic. There's a lot of services available over here: the library, students' services, the global community, and the Multifaith Centre. They really care about you making friends."

Zhonglin "Henry" from China MEng in Telecommunications and Information Security

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UVic Co-op facts

Undergraduate students earn an average of CAD\$3,287 per month during work terms

Graduate students earn an average of CAD\$4,028 per month during work terms

86%

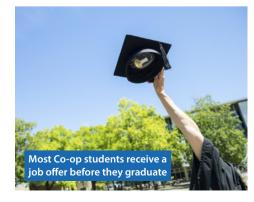
of Co-op students are hired within three months of graduating

300+

Co-op options offered to UVic students

71%

of all eligible undergraduate students do at least one Co-op work term



Jump start your career at UVic

At UVic, you can start building a successful future right away! Through highly effective career services and programs like UVic's Co-op and Canada's Post-Graduation Work Permit, you'll have the ideal springboard for your career.

Get paid work experience while studying

Co-operative education, or "Co-op", is a program that supplements your studies with paid work placements while you earn your degree. You can get up to 16 months of paid employment* in your area of focus. Students who participate in Co-op earn an average of CAD \$50,000 through the duration of their program. You'll be able to help fund your studies, test-drive different careers, and gain local work experience that makes you attractive to Canadian employers!

When can you take Co-op terms?

Co-op is optional in most bachelor's and master's programs, and a required part of the curriculum for some disciplines. A typical** undergraduate Co-op with four work terms might be structured like this:

| | SEP-DEC | JAN-APR | MAY-AUG |
|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| YEAR 1 | STUDY | STUDY | FREE SUMMER |
| YEAR 2 | STUDY | STUDY | WORK 4 MONTHS EARN ≈ \$12,600 |
| YEAR 3 | STUDY | WORK 4 MONTHS EARN ≈ \$12,600 | STUDY |
| YEAR 4 | WORK 4 MONTHS EARN ≈ \$12,600 | STUDY | WORK 4 MONTHS EARN ≈ \$12,600 |
| YEAR 5 | STUDY / GRADUATE | | |

^{*} Please note that enrolling in the Co-op program will add some additional time to your degree.

Work in Canada for up to three years

After completing your degree program, you may be eligible to apply for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) that allows you to live and work in Canada for up to three years. With international student-friendly programs like PGWP, it's no surprise that Canada ranks as the #1 country for starting a career (U.S. News & World Report 2023).







"Studying in Canada and obtaining a Post-Graduation Work Permit is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. You get to do whatever kind of job you feel like and move to bigger cities like Vancouver, Montreal, or Toronto. If you're still doing your degree and thinking about getting your PGWP, take it! You carry the experience from the PGWP for the rest of your life, and it looks really, really good on your CV."

Dimas from Indonesia

MSc in Kinesiology, now a Graduate Teaching Assistant through PGWP

1,300+ employers

hire UVic Co-op students every year, including:

Google Tesla Meta (Facebook)

Canadian Space Agency Warner Brothers BC Cancer Agency

Disney Interactive Studios
United Nations Environment Program
Rocket Lab

 $^{{}^{**}\}mathsf{This} \ \mathsf{is} \ \mathsf{just} \ \mathsf{a} \ \mathsf{sample} - \mathsf{UVic} \ \mathsf{Co-op} \ \mathsf{coordinators} \ \mathsf{help} \ \mathsf{each} \ \mathsf{student} \ \mathsf{create} \ \mathsf{a} \ \mathsf{schedule} \ \mathsf{that} \ \mathsf{works} \ \mathsf{best} \ \mathsf{for} \ \mathsf{them}.$

Canada ranked

#3

in the world for quality of life

U.S. News & World Report 2023

Top 5

friendliest country in the world

U.S. News & World Report 2023

#3

safest country in the world

U.S. News & World Report 2023

Top 3 country

chosen by international students

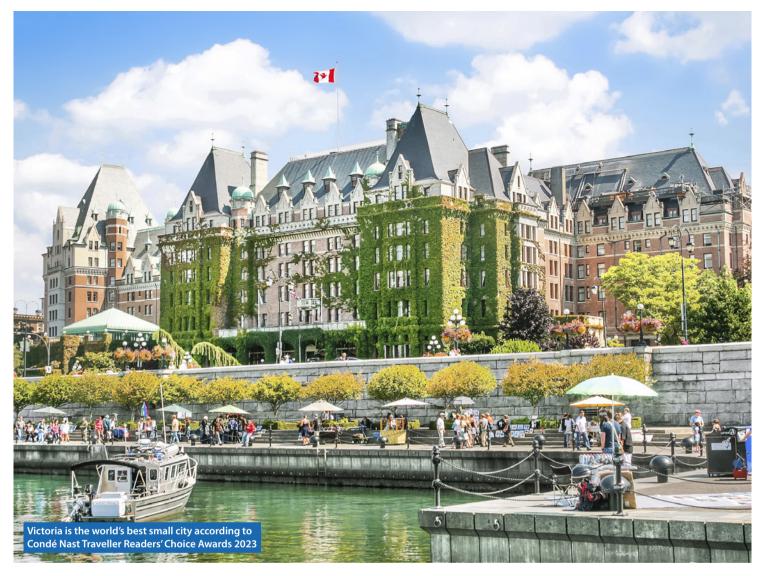
Institute of International Education

25-35%

more affordable than a US degree

Magnificent landscapes

with four distinct seasons







Canada: where international students thrive

Known for its affordable education, welcoming people, safety and excellent quality of life, Canada is an ideal place to learn and grow as an international student. It's one of the most diverse, tolerant countries in the world, where you'll enjoy the same rights and freedoms that protect all Canadian citizens.

A glimpse of Victoria and Vancouver Island

You'll live in Victoria — the capital of British Columbia — ranked the #1 best small city in the world (Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards 2023). Located on stunning Vancouver Island, halfway between the major cities of Vancouver (on mainland Canada) and Seattle (just across the US border), it's a nature-lover's paradise. Along with rugged coastline, beautiful gardens and incredible wildlife, Victoria is a harbour city boasting the sunniest climate of any major city in British Columbia, attracting 4 million visitors every year.

British Columbia's sunniest major city

- 22°C Average high summer temperature
- 8°C Average high winter temperature
- 64% less rainfall than nearby Vancouver and 42% less rainfall than nearby Seattle

"I visited Victoria for the first time 10 years ago as a tourist, and I fell in love with the city. The location is beautiful, and also has a good proximity to Vancouver, which is a booming market."

Chehak from India (pictured left), earning an MSc in Computer Science

10-minute walk to the beach

Sports facilities

including a climbing wall, indoor pool and ice rink

On-campus

movie theatre, pub, concert hall, art gallery and theatre

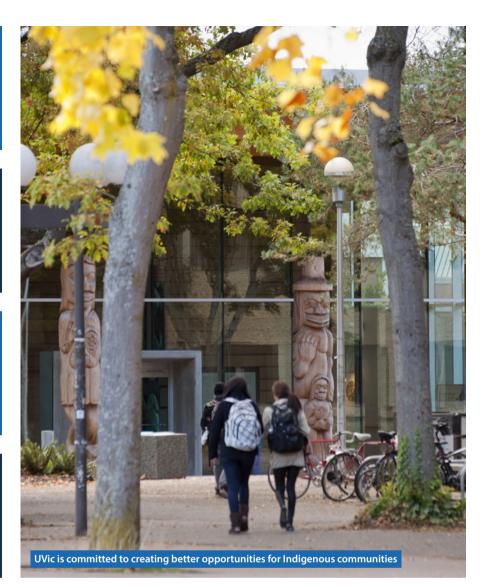
30-minute

bus ride to downtown Victoria

150+ clubs
and 15 varsity athletic teams

24 food kiosks

and 21 residences across campus





Get involved in UVic's campus culture

Campus facilities, green space and living areas enrich UVic's safe and welcoming community.

UVic's eco-friendly campus

UVic is a world-leading university for sustainability, with its walkable campus having carbon-neutral status since 2010. Studying here, you'll be making a difference, along with 4,000+ international students from over 110 countries. UVic's picturesque campus is also designed to look and feel just like a park. Modern facilities are spaced among the island's old-growth rainforest and nature trails.

Dedicated international student advising

The International Centre for Students supports you throughout your journey at UVic. Its team provides international services, information and programs for undergraduate and graduate students. They are there to help you from pre-arrival all the way to degree completion — your go-to resource for anything related to your immigration status, study permit or work permits.

UVic Global Community

The UVic Global Community initiative is dedicated to supporting the international student presence on campus. Through a range of programs, the Global Community creates space to come together and celebrate diversity, build intercultural connections, and foster a globally minded campus. Some of these programs include:

- Conversation Partners program
- Holiday dinner program
- Mentorship program
- Campus events and celebrations

Make friends in on-campus housing

Eligible first-year students are guaranteed a room. Explore your options:

uvic.ca/residence





"I really liked the mentorship program and the conversation partners program. For international students who may not be too comfortable with their English, these programs really help them to adjust. It also helps international students become aware of all the resources on campus and be a good support system for them."

Pedro from Brazil, earning a BSc in Biochemistry



What can I study at UVic?

With 80+ bachelor's programs and 6 master's degrees, UVic supports you to achieve a wide range of academic and career goals.

Undergraduate majors

Through Kaplan, you can apply for first-year, transfer or Pathway admission into these bachelor's programs:

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

- Kinesiology, BSc ◆
- Recreation and Health Education, BA ◆*
- Teacher Education: Elementary Curriculum, BFd •

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Biomedical Engineering, BEng ()*
- Civil Engineering, BEng

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- Computer Engineering, BEng ⊕*
- Computer Science, BSc 🗇 (can combine with Geography, Health Information Science*, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology, Music ◆, or Visual Arts •)
- Electrical Engineering, BEng ③*
- Mechanical Engineering, BEng ③*
- Software Engineering, BSEng ③*

FACULTY OF FINE ARTS

- Art History and Visual Studies, BA
- Music, BA / BMus ◆
- Theatre, BA ◆ / BFA ◆
- Visual Arts, BFA ◆
- Writing, BA ◆ / BFA ◆

FACULTY OF HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- Child and Youth Care, BCYC ◆
- Health Information Science, BSc*
- Public Health, BA ◆**
- Social Work, BSW ◆**

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- Applied Linguistics, BA
- English, BA
- Gender Studies, BA
- History, BA
- Linguistics, BA / BSc
- Philosophy, BA
- Religion, Culture and Society, BA Plus cultural studies majors including French, Germanic, Greek and Roman, Hispanic, Indigenous, Latin American, Pacific, Asian and Slavic.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

- Astronomy, BSc ⊝
- Biochemistry, BSc ⊝
- Biology, BSc 🧇 (can combine with Earth Sciences, Mathematics and Statistics, or Psychology)
- Chemistry, BSc 🧇 (can combine with Biochemistry, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, Microbiology, or Ocean Sciences)
- Chemistry for the Medical Sciences. BSc →
- Climate Science, BSc
- Data Science, BSc 🖯
- Earth Sciences, BSc 🕀
- Mathematics, BSc 🕀
- Microbiology, BSc 🕀
- Physical Geography and Earth and Ocean Sciences, BSc 🗇
- Physics, BSc 🧇 (can combine with Computer Science, Astronomy, Biochemistry, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, or Ocean-Atmosphere Sciences)
- Statistics, BSc →

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Anthropology, BA ⊕ / BSc ⊕
- Economics, BA (→) / BSc (→) (can add a concentration in Finance or combine with Financial Mathematics)
- Fnvironmental Studies, BA ⊝
- Geography, BA (→) / BSc (→)
- Political Science, BA ④
- Psychology, BA ⊕ / BSc ⊕
- Sociology, BA *③*

GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Graduate programs

GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Master of Business Administration (MBA) ◆*
- Master of Global Business (MGB) ◆*

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Master of Engineering in Applied Data Science (MADS) ◆
- Master of Engineering in Biomedical Systems
- Master of Engineering in Industrial Ecology (Sustainable Engineering) ◆
- Master of Engineering in Telecommunications and Information Security (MTIS) ◆

Don't know what to study?

If you aren't sure about what to study, don't worry! It's normal for UVic students to spend their first year on campus exploring academic disciplines to find a major that's a good fit. If you apply to any program in the faculties of Humanities, Science or Social Sciences, you'll be "undeclared" in your first year and have the opportunity to choose a major later.

Want to study Law?

UVic has pre-law advising for undergraduates who are interested in pursuing law at the graduate level. Students can choose any major for the first three years. UVic Law admits students from a wide variety of programs — everything from fine arts to computer engineering! Admission is competitive, with both GPA and LSAT scores evaluated.

Degree preparation programs **UVic Pathway Program** ◆

This is a specialized degree preparation program to help you to meet UVic's English language requirement while completing the first year of a UVic bachelor's major. Pathway students take a combination of English language and UVic credit courses (available majors indicated with ⊕).

UAP (University Admission Preparation)

A dedicated 4- or 12-week program for conditionally admitted students who require help meeting the English language requirement — available before many UVic bachelor's and master's programs.

ELPI (Intensive English Language Program)

A multi-level program tailored for students from the "upper beginner" English proficiency level, which leads into either the UVic Pathway Program or the UAP program.



For up-to-date details and to see all available degree programs at UVic, please scan the QR code or follow the URL.

kaplanpathways.com/uvic-degrees

⊕ admission route available through UVic Pathway Program

- ◆ September start only
- * Co-op is a required part of the curriculum (see page 4 for details).
- ** First year is in the Faculty of Social Sciences. You can then transfer to this major after one year of study.

for Mathematics in Canada U.S. News Best Global Universities Rankings 2023

for Space Science in Canada U.S. News Best Global Universities Rankings 2023

Top 20

for Business in Canada

Maclean's University Rankings 2024

Top 20

for Computer Science in Canada

Maclean's University Rankings 2024

best full-time MBA in Canada QS Global MBA Rankings 2023

Master's in Management in North America

MGB program ranked in Financial Times Business School Rankings 2023

Before you apply

To be considered for admission at UVic, you must meet the University's standard entry requirements. Get a more complete picture of what you need to know before you apply.

Do I qualify for degree admission?

You may qualify for degree admission to UVic by meeting these requirements.

Admission requirements for undergraduate programs FIRST-YEAR ADMISSION

- High school diploma or equivalent. Credential and minimum grade requirements vary by country and education system.
- English language proficiency: minimum IELTS 6.5 (no subscore below 6.0) / TOEFL minimum 90 (no section less than 20) or equivalent*
- Meet any subject or grade requirements specific to your program of study**

TRANSFER ADMISSION

- One full year or more of post-secondary coursework with a B average (or equivalent)
- English language proficiency and program-specific requirements, as per first-year admission
- Up to 60 credits with minimum grade "C" from another higher education institution or post-secondary courses
- UVic's evaluation of your transferable credits will determine if you are placed into Year 1, 2 or 3 of a bachelor's program.

Admission requirements for graduate programs

- 4-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) in a related subject from a recognized institution
- Equivalent of a minimum "B" average or GPA 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) over the last two years of your degree
- English language proficiency: minimum IELTS 6.5 (no subscore below 6.0) / TOEFL minimum 90 (no section less than 20) or equivalent*
- Meet any application or grade requirements specific to your program of study**

requirements but still need to improve

Do you meet UVic's academic

Don't vet meet the **English requirement?**

your English language skills? If so, you may be able to reach the required language level to start your degree through the UVic Pathway Program, University Admission Preparation (UAP) and/or Intensive English Language Program (ELPI).

UAP entry requirements

- IELTS 6.0 (no subscore below 5.5) or TOEFL 79 (no subscore below 17)
- Conditional admission to a bachelor's program in the faculties of Engineering and Computer Science, Science, Social Sciences, or Humanities, or a BA in Art History and Visual Studies, or most master's programs

ELPI entry requirements

- IELTS 5.5 or TOEFL 71
- Preliminary admission to a bachelor's program in the faculties of Humanities, Science or Social Sciences

UVic Pathway Program entry requirements

- IELTS 5.5 (with no component less than 5.0) or TOEFL 71 (with no component less than 15)
- Apply for admission to a bachelor's program in one of two streams: Social Sciences (which includes the option to progress into the BCom program) or Science, Engineering and Computer Science

Cost of attendance per year for degree study

| | TUITION AND PROGRAM FEES (CAD \$) | STUDENT HOUSING AND MEALS (CAD \$) | TOTAL (CAD \$) |
|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| BACHELOR'S DEGREE | \$29,716-\$33,634 | \$11,967 [†] | \$41,683-\$45,601 |
| MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA) | \$34,215 | \$13,975 1 | \$48,190 |
| MASTER OF GLOBAL BUSINESS (MGB) | \$42,734 | | \$56,709 |
| MASTER'S IN APPLIED DATA SCIENCE | \$40,050 | | \$54,025 |
| MASTER'S IN BIOMEDICAL SYSTEMS | \$32,460 | | \$46,435 |
| MASTER'S IN INDUSTRIAL ECOLOGY (SUSTAINABLE ENGINEERING) | \$26,530 | | \$40,505 |
| MASTER'S IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SECURITY | \$31,669 | | \$45,644 |

[†] price for shared double room plus meal plan

Rates are valid for the 2023-24 academic year. This is only an estimated amount, as the price for dorms, meals, and other expenses can vary. Additionally, you should budget for the cost of books and supplies, health insurance, student fees and personal expenses.

For the tuition cost of other master's degrees, find the program at uvic.ca/graduate

Tuition costs for UVic English Language Centre programs

| | PROGRAM LENGTH | TUITION FEES (CAD \$) |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| UVIC PATHWAY PROGRAM | 1 YEAR | \$36,405 |
| UNIVERSITY ADMISSION PREPARATION | 12 WEEKS | \$4,500 |
| INTENSIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM | 12 WEEKS PER SESSION | \$4,500 |

Scholarships and funding

Whether you're newly admitted or continuing at UVic, you may be eligible for several types of financial support. This could include merit-based awards or paid work opportunities. International students are automatically considered for Entrance Scholarships based on their grades in previous study — no separate application is necessary. However, there are other specific-criteria scholarships for which you do need to apply. The main awards and scholarships available at UVic are listed below:

| | OPEN TO | AMOUNT (CAD \$) |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| UVIC INTERNATIONAL ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP | FIRST-YEAR UNDERGRADUATES | \$10,000 |
| INTERNATIONAL IB SCHOLARSHIP | FIRST-TEAR UNDERGRADUATES | \$2,000 |
| IN-COURSE SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS | returning undergraduates | VARIABLE |
| UVIC FELLOWSHIPS | | UP TO \$17,500 |
| UVIC GRADUATE AWARDS | GRADUATE STUDENTS | UP TO \$10,000 |
| UVIC GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS | | VARIABLE; PAID POSITIONS |
| CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM | ALL CTUDENTS | VARIABLE; PAID POSITIONS |
| WORK STUDY PROGRAM | ALL STUDENTS | VARIABLE; PAID POSITIONS |

st English language proficiency can be demonstrated in other ways, such as academic studies in a designated English-speaking country or at a recognized institution at which the language of instruction is English. For more information, see uvic.ca/grad/enpr

^{**} Requirements will vary by program and country of education. Find your degree at uvic.ca/programs or uvic.ca/graduate to check the detailed requirements

[¶] price for one-bedroom apartment plus meal plan

Why apply with Kaplan?



First-rate support in your own language



Preparing and checking the documents required for a university application



Personalized guidance through every step of the process



Application fee is waived



Communicating with the University admissions team on your behalf

Application document checklist

Application form completed and signed at:

kaplanpathways.com/uvic-apply

- Academic transcripts with certified translations (minimum GPA 3.0 for most degrees)
- Proof of English proficiency (minimum IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90 for most degrees)
- Copy of passport
- Letters of reference (BMus and master's applicants only)
- Statement of intent (certain master's programs only)
- GRE/GMAT score (MBA only)
- Letter of Intent / Personal statement (BCom and master's programs only)
- Work experience (MBA only)
- Supplemental information, e.g. impact statement/résumé, audition, portfolio, video submission (if required by the program)

How to apply

Kaplan will help you explore your options and support you through the application and admission process.

8 steps to UVic

1. Submit your application to Kaplan

Complete your UVic application and upload copies of the supporting documents noted. See the checklist on the left.

2. Application review

Kaplan will check your eligibility for your preferred program and notify you of any missing documents. Once ready, we will submit your application package to UVic.

3. Complete your application with UVic

Set up your "Netlink ID" (UVic will email instructions) and access the UVic application portal. Complete outstanding tasks, such as providing additional documents, then wait for notification of UVic's admission decision.

4. Accept your offer and apply for a study permit

Accept UVic's offer of admission and pay an acceptance deposit of CAD\$750 (undergraduate applicants only) before the deadline, then complete and submit your study permit application. Government of Canada processing time can take up to three months, so don't delay!

5. Apply for housing

Apply for on-campus housing before the May deadlines (see facing page) if you are starting in September. Graduates and transfer students may need to find off-campus accommodation.

6. Submit your final grades

Send your official transcripts to UVic by the specified deadline. Check the transcript requirements in your UVic application portal.

7. Take care of pre-arrival tasks

Monitor your application portal checklist for other tasks, such as registering for courses and paying your remaining balance.

- 8. Start at UVic!

Make travel arrangements to arrive in Victoria in time for UVic's International Student Welcome. Fun and informative orientation events will help connect you to the campus community.

| | MAY 2024 START* | SEPTEMBER 2024 START | JANUARY 2025 START* |
|--|----------------------|--|------------------------|
| APPLICATION DEADLINES | | | |
| MOST BACHELOR'S DEGREES | MARCH 31, 2024 | EXTENSION BEYOND JANUARY 31, 2024 | September 30, 2024 |
| ENGINEERING BACHELOR'S DEGREES | DECEMBER 31, 2023 | | _ |
| BUSINESS MASTER'S DEGREES | - | APRIL 30, 2024 | AUGUST 31, 2024 |
| MASTER'S IN BIOMEDICAL SYSTEMS | OCTOBER 31, 2023 | JANUARY 31, 2024 | MAY 31, 2024 |
| MASTER'S IN INDUSTRIAL ECOLOGY | - | JANUARY 15, 2024 | - |
| MASTER'S IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SECURITY / MASTER'S IN APPLIED DATA SCIENCE | - | APRIL 1, 2024 | - |
| OTHER KEY DATES | | | |
| INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION** | MAY 6, 2024 | AUGUST 29, 2024 | JANUARY 2, 2025 |
| FIRST DAY OF CLASSES | MAY 8, 2024 | SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 | JANUARY 6, 2025** |

^{*} Not all programs offer January and May starts

Important dates for September start

Entrance scholarship submission deadline:

March 15 for undergraduates to send Grade 12 interim or final transcript to UVic

Housing application deadlines:

May 1 for first year undergraduates (the earlier you apply for residence, the earlier you may receive your residence offer)

May 15 for all other applicants

Acceptance payment deadline:

May 1 for undergraduates

By the date given in your offer letter (where applicable) for graduates









^{**} Dates are based on the 2023–24 schedule and will be confirmed closer to semester start.

Where is Victoria?



Who's on the cover?

Valentina from Italy (left), Seyed from Canada (middle) and Scovia from South Sudan (right) are on their path to a University of Victoria degree.

Find out more

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