



University of Victoria, Canada 🍁 2025-26

Study Abroad



Enjoy an unforgettable study-abroad experience on Canada's beautiful West Coast. Here you'll develop a fresh perspective on the world and enrich your academic career while earning credit toward your degree. **Come join us in this student-friendly city for your study-abroad adventure.**



**University
of Victoria**

Where is UVic?



FLIGHT TIMES

Vancouver to Victoria - 30 minutes
Seattle to Victoria - 50 minutes



FERRY TIMES

Vancouver to Victoria - 90 minutes
Seattle to Victoria - 3 hours

Campus



CARSA ATHLETIC FACILITY

LIVE MUSIC

MOVIE THEATRE

FIRST PEOPLES HOUSE

LIBRARY

LIVE THEATRE

THE QUAD

STUDENT HOUSING

10-MIN WALK ACROSS CAMPUS

10-MIN WALK TO BEACH

200 ACRES OF PUBLIC GREENSPACE & TRAILS

15-MIN BUS RIDE DOWNTOWN



The University of Victoria

Consistently ranked among the top three Canadian comprehensive universities, UVic is renowned for its beautiful campus and opportunities to make a difference.

We're a vibrant Pacific Rim community, rich with Indigenous and international perspectives. It's no coincidence that we have world-leading programs in environmental restoration, oceans, climate change and Indigenous research.

Surrounded by forest and the Salish Sea, UVic is full of green spaces, thoughtfully designed facilities and state-of-the-art libraries, and offers one of the world's most unique and stimulating campus environments to live and learn for its 18,000 undergraduate students.





No other city is quite like Victoria

Located on the southern tip of Vancouver Island, Victoria (pop. 423,000) is a modern capital widely regarded as being one of the most livable cities on the planet. Renowned for its relaxed lifestyle and distinctive neighbourhoods, it's easy to find your place here.

With easy access to mountains, forests and ocean, and one of the mildest climates in Canada, Vancouver Island is an adventurer's dream offering year-round hiking, cycling and kayaking. Explore the famed West Coast Trail, surf the waves in Tofino or ride some of the world's most diverse mountain biking terrain – we have it all.

If it's urban living you're after, Victoria offers a wealth of cultural attractions and a coffee and food scene fed by local organic farms and popular outdoor markets. If you're craving a few days in a big city, we're just a ferry ride away from nearby Vancouver, BC, and Seattle, USA.

- 64% less rainfall than nearby Vancouver and 42% less rainfall than nearby Seattle.
- "A thriving culture full of incredible food, beautiful landscapes, and a booming music scene."
(Rolling Stone)
- Situated on Vancouver Island (about the same size as Belgium).
- 20 km of oceanside walkways and over 775 km of bike trails and stunning natural beauty.
- Big-city amenities; friendly small-town feel.
- Ranked best small city in the world (*2023 Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards*)

Sunniest major city in British Columbia.

- 22°C average high summer temperature
- 8°C Average high winter temperature





TUITION FOR STUDENTS FROM

Europe

Costs vary according to your courses and course load.

TUITION ESTIMATE	CANADIAN DOLLARS	EURO
5 courses per term (FULL COURSE LOAD)	\$17,724	11,770 EUR
4 courses per term	\$14,179	9,416 EUR

Please note:

This is an estimate only and should be used to give students, parents, and/or sponsors an approximation of the tuition and ancillary fees that will be due. This estimate does not include housing, food, cost of books and supplies or other expenses that students can expect to occur in a term.

Estimated values determined by the tuition fee estimator shall not be binding to the University of Victoria.

ACCOMMODATION COSTS	CANADIAN DOLLARS	EURO
On-campus housing - single room with meal plan for one term	\$15,048	10,000 EUR
Off-campus housing for one term	\$4,000 to \$6,000	2,656 to 4,000 EUR

On-campus residence rates based on September to April 2024-2025 rates.

How and when to apply for residence

Before you begin your residence application, make sure you have your NetLink ID and an email address that you will use for at least the next 12 months. You will need to pay the non-refundable \$50 application fee by credit card or debit. This fee is paid online as part of the application process.

Apply for the undergraduate residence lottery between **February 3** and **May 15**. If we receive your application after this date, you will be added to our waitlist.



Where to live

Off-campus housing

Victoria has a variety of options and you're sure to find a neighbourhood that suits your style. From stately Oak Bay, to eclectic Fernwood or seaside Gordon Head, Victoria offers rental apartments, secondary suites within houses or room-and board opportunities with local families—all within a short walk or bus ride from campus. Start your search early at housing.uvic.ca/ads.

UVic's homestay program is a great choice if you want to improve your English and learn about Canadian culture in a friendly, family environment. Visit uvic.ca/homestay for information.

On-campus housing

UVic's on-campus housing options are limited for non-degree seeking students; they must enter the undergraduate lottery for a chance at obtaining a space. UVic offers single, double and apartment-style units. For more information on residence life and on-campus housing, visit uvic.ca/residence.



Visiting from a study abroad partner

UVic has study abroad partnerships with schools in Denmark, Germany and Norway, enabling students from these institutions to visit and attend classes at UVic for one or two school terms (four or eight months).

To qualify for this program, you must:

- have completed at least one year of full-time study at a recognized university
- be currently enrolled at one of UVic's study abroad partner institutions or applying via an official agency: Germany = IEC; Denmark = EDU.
- be nominated by your home institution as a study abroad applicant
- meet UVic's **English language proficiency requirements**. For additional ways to satisfy this requirement: please contact us at studyabroad@uvic.ca.

Partner institutions

UVic currently has study abroad partnerships with the following schools and agencies:

- Denmark - **EDU**
- Contact the **International Education Centre** to discuss becoming a Study Abroad student. They'll provide advice and guidance for your application to UVic, and help you prepare for your Study Abroad experience.
- If you're a student at one of the following UVic partner schools, you'll also need to be nominated as a Study Abroad applicant.
 - Frankfurt School of Finance and Management
 - Nordakademie
 - TU Dortmund

Your IEC agent will help you with the nomination process, and can assist you with meeting UVic's English language proficiency requirement.

- Norway - **University of Agder, University of Bergen, Oslo Metropolitan University**

If you do not meet these qualifications, you may be able to apply to UVic as an exchange student or as a visiting student with a letter of permission.

How to apply

Students from Germany, Austria and Switzerland please contact IEC Online for free assistance to apply. The IEC Team tells you exactly what application documents they need to process your UVic application on time and to maximize your chance to be accepted by UVic.

Work with your post-secondary institution or a partner agency to apply to UVic as a study abroad student. They'll help you through all the steps of the application process.

Complete an online application

Apply online at uvic.ca/apply.

Submit application package documents

In addition to the online application, you must submit the following information to studyabroad@uvic.ca:

- › an official record of completed courses and grades from your home university, including a list of in-progress courses
- › proof of **English language proficiency** (if applicable)
- › Copy of a valid passport (a photo or scan of the page of your passport showing your photo and information will be sufficient).
- › a **Proposed Study Plan**
- › for assistance with choosing courses, refer to the **Recommended Course List for Short-term International Students**

Your application will not be processed until this information is received. The deadline to submit information for September entry is **April 30**. The deadline to submit information for January entry is **September 30**.

Registering for courses

Your proposed study plan identifies the courses that you want to take while visiting UVic. However, you will still need to register online for your courses after your application has been accepted.

- › You will receive an email from UVic's Office of the Registrar and Enrolment Management that will tell you when to register online for courses.
- › Prepare in advance by reviewing the tutorials and videos at uvic.ca/course-registration.

Preparing for life in Canada

Once you've made arrangements to study at UVic, it's time to plan your travels. Learn about **living in Canada**.

For more information, email studyabroad@uvic.ca.

English language proficiency requirement

There are several ways you can satisfy the English Language Proficiency Requirement, including:

- Score of 4 or higher on IB Higher Level English A.
- Score of 4 or higher on the Advanced Placement English Language and Composition Exam.
- British-curriculum: minimum C in A-Level English.
- Sufficient score on an approved language-proficiency test (see below).

How to meet UVic's English-language proficiency requirement.

TOEFL UVic's institution code is 0989	IELTS	CAEL
Minimum score of 90 (20 per section) REGULAR ADMISSION	Minimum overall band score of 6.5 (6.0 per component) REGULAR ADMISSION	Minimum band score of 70 (60 per component) REGULAR ADMISSION

Applying from Denmark? Ask your EDU advisor for additional ways to satisfy the ENPR.

Applying from Germany? Ask your IEC advisor for additional ways to satisfy the ENPR: info@ieconline.de

Applying from a Norwegian partner institution? Ask your advisor for additional ways to satisfy the ENPR.

uvic.ca/enpr

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