



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE VSP

The **Vancouver Summer Program (VSP)** is a four-week academic program offered by various faculties at the University of British Columbia, Canada for international undergraduate* students from cooperating universities.

The program provides the opportunity to take two academic courses while learning about Canadian practices and culture.



^{*} Some packages may accept graduate students.

VSP PROGRAM BENEFITS

Gain an international academic experience

Study at North America's most international university*

Meet students from other universities and Canadian students through socio-cultural activities

Learn about Canadian culture and society

*Times Higher Education's "World's Most International Universities 2017" ranking



ABOUT VANCOUVER

Vancouver is the third largest city in Canada, located in the southwest corner of British Columbia.

40 minutes away from the United States border

Population of 2.4 million





ABOUT VANCOUVER

Consistently rated as one of the best places to live in the world in terms of quality of life, opportunities, cultural diversity, political stability, and a healthy environment





THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

UBC is a global centre for research and teaching, consistently ranked among the top 20 public universities in the world.

Two major campuses—in Vancouver and the Okanagan—attract, nurture and transform more than 60,000 students from Canada and 140+ countries around the world.

16 faculties, 18 schools, and 2 colleges offer a wide range of study options







UBC AT A GLANCE

- **65,012** students (Vancouver: 55,887; Okanagan: 9,125)
- **16,188** international students from 156 countries
- **13,237** degrees granted in 2017
- **325,000+** alumni in 140 countries
- **16,089** faculty and staff
- \$2.6 billion annual consolidated budget
- \$658 million per year in research funding for 8,973 projects
- **207** companies spun off from UBC research
- 8 Nobel prize winners among current or former faculty and alumni
- **34th** in Times Higher Education world rankings (2017/2018), one of three Canadian universities in the top 50

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UBC CAMPUS

The UBC Campus is a 20-minute drive from downtown Vancouver

More than 400 hectares in size, the stunning campus is surrounded by forest on three sides and ocean on the fourth







VSP COURSE PACKAGES

There are two courses in each package

Each course is about 39 hours of class time

Classes are interactive and often include group work and discussions

Evaluation may include assignments, group projects, papers, exams, and participation marks

Courses do not receive UBC credit but credit may be granted by the student's home university (at its discretion)



July 13 - August 13, 2019

Applied Science - Chemical Engineering

Package A - Introduction to Chemical and Biological Engineering (CHBE A JULY)

Harnessing Chemistry: An Introduction to Matter, Energy, and Chemical Engineering

Harnessing Nature: An Introduction to Biological Engineering

Package B - The Engineering of Beverages (CHBE B JULY)

The Science and Engineering of Coffee Production
The Science and Engineering of Beer and Wine Production

Package C - Computer Aided Design (CHBE C JULY)

Introduction to Numerical Methods and Computer-Assisted Problem-Solving

Introduction to Process Simulation and Design Tools

Applied Science - Civil Engineering

Package A - Computer Software Applications in Civil Engineering (CIVL A JULY)

Computer Application in Civil Engineering Laboratory Projects in Computer Modeling and Analytics

Package B - Structural Materials in Civil Engineering (CIVL B JULY)

Civil Engineering Materials Laboratory Testing of Structural Materials

Package C - Advanced Topics in Concrete Technology (CIVL C JULY)

Concrete Technology Experimental Studies of Structural Concrete Elements

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Applied Science - Electrical and Computer Engineering

Package A - Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering (ELEC A JULY)

Introduction to Digital Technology and Smart Devices Introduction to Electric Circuits, Sensors, and Power

Package B - Renewable Energy and Power Conversion (ELEC B JULY)

Introduction to Renewable Energy Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power

Package C - Communication and Digital Systems (ELEC C JULY)

Communication Systems: Technology Embedded in Daily Life Introduction to Digital Systems Design with FPGAs

Package D - Engineering the Sound of Music (ELEC D JULY)

Music: An Introduction to Electrical & Computer Engineering

Music Laboratory: Hands on Learning

Package E - Principles of the Modern Internet (ELEC E JULY)

Algorithms and the World Wide Web Building Modern Web Applications

Applied Science - Mechanical Engineering

Package A - Green Buildings and Engineering Design (MECH A JULY)

Green Building Design Introduction to Engineering Design & Decision-making

Package B - Robotics and Challenges from Computational Intelligence (MECH B JULY)

Introduction to Robotics
Roboethics: Challenges from Computational Intelligence

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Architecture and Landscape Architecture

Package A - Wood + Architecture (ARCH A JULY)

Wood - Building by Nature (Forestry) Designing with Wood (Architecture)

Package B - Urban Landscape Architecture (ARCH B JULY)

Green System Planning Design in the Public Realm

Package C - Urban Design (ARCH C JULY)

Perspectives on City Making Sustainability by Design

Arts

Package A - Global Migration, Local Communities: Asian Canadian Histories (ARTS A JULY)

Is Asia in Vancouver: Academic Perspectives
Is Asia in Vancouver: Community-Based Research

Package B - Global Journalism, Culture and Communications: Practice and Principles (ARTS B JULY)

Culture and Communications
Global Journalism

Package C - The English Language in a Globalized World (ARTS C JULY)

The History and Future of the English Language How Human Language Works

Package D - International Finance, Trade and Politics (ARTS D JULY)

International Trade and Financial Markets
Dynamics of Democracy and Global Uprisings

Package E - Environmental Economics and Geographies of the Global Economy (ARTS E JULY)

Geographies of the Global Economy Environmental Economics

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Arts cont'd

Package F - Melodrama in Action: Singing Opera and Learning Language (ARTS F JULY)

Italian for Beginners Fundamentals of Opera Singing

Package G - Computational Linguistics: From Search Engines to Social Media (ARTS G JULY)

Linguistics for Natural Language Processing Computation for Natural Language Processing

Package H - From Stage To Screen: How Vancouver 'plays' to a Global Audience (ARTS H JULY)

From Drama to Theatre: How Does a Play Mean?

Documentary & the City

Package I- Understanding Inequality: The Challenges of Diverse Societies (ARTS I JULY)

Inequality and Diversity in Modern Societies
Practice with Marginalized Diverse Populations

Business

Package A - International Business Management and International Marketing (BUS A JULY)
International Business Management
International Marketing

Package B - Introduction to Marketing & Management and Organizational Behaviour (BUS B JULY)

Introduction to Marketing Management and Organizational Behaviour

Package C - Strategic Management & New Enterprise Development (BUS C JULY)

Strategic Management New Enterprise Development

Package D - Operations and Supply Chain Strategy & Business Analytics (BUS D JULY)

Operations and Supply Chain Strategy Business Analytics

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Community and Regional Planning

Package A - Big Data and New Technologies in Cities (PLAN A JULY)

Urban Big Data Analysis Spatial Analysis Using Geographic Information Systems

Package B - The Evolution of Cities: Past, Present, and Future (PLAN B JULY)

City-X: Urban Transformation in a Globalized World Past, Present, and Future: Building from Vancouver's Multicultural Planning History

Package C - Multiculturalism and the City (PLAN C JULY)

Family Recipes and their Business Potential: Designing a Tourism Guide to Family Food Businesses in Vancouver Past, Present, and Future: Building from Vancouver's Multicultural Planning History

Dentistry

Package A - Implications of Dental Caries and Oral Cancer (DEN A JULY)

Dental Caries Oral Cancer

Education

Package A - Teaching and Learning English (EDU A JULY)
Applied Linguistics for Teachers
Introduction to Teaching and Learning English

Package B - Early Childhood Education and Development (EDU B JULY)

Designing High Quality Programs in Early Childhood Settings Creating Environments to Support Learning in Early Childhood Settings

Package C - Classroom Management and Behavioural Assessment (EDU C JULY)

Classroom Management Assessment and Positive Behavioural Support in School and Community Settings

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Education cont'd

Package D - Food and Well-being - Learning the Connection (EDU D JULY)

Eating Food - An Everyday Experience Thoughtful Eating in a Globalized World

Package E - Culture, Creativity, and Learning Technologies (EDU E JULY)

Digital Media in Arts Education Learning Technologies and Creativity in the Digital Age

Forestry

Package A - Forest Management and the Effects of Carbon (FOR A JULY)

An Introduction to the Ecology, Economics and Politics of Carbon Sustainable Forest Management

Package B - Urban Forestry (FOR B JUILY)

An Introduction to Urban Forestry Urban Forestry and Well-being

Kinesiology

Package A - Sport and Exercise Performance (KIN A JULY)

Sport and Exercise Psychology Clinical Exercise Physiology

Package B - Coaching Science (KIN B JULY)

Foundations of Coaching Sport Psychology for Coaching

Package C - Clinical Kinesiology (KIN C JULY)

Health and Physical Activity Behaviour Clinical Exercise Physiology

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Land and Food Systems

Package A - Food Science and Sensory Evaluation (LFS A JULY)

Introduction to Food Science The Science of Sensory Evaluation

Package B - Agribusiness Management (LFS B JULY)

Food and Agribusiness Enterprise Management Food and Agribusiness Marketing Management

Package C - Nutrition and Healthy Eating (LFS C JULY)

Essentials of Nutrition Healthy Cooking and Eating in Canada's Multicultural Context

Medicine

Package A - Clinical Research and Clinical Medicine (MED A JULY)

Introduction to Clinical Research in the Sciences Introduction to Clinical Medicine at the Bedside

Package B - Pharmacology and Critical Analysis of Literature (MED B JULY)

Pharmacology through Case Studies
Primary Literature Analysis in Science & Medicine

Package C - Anatomy and Radiology: Interactive Learning to Enhance Understanding (MED C JULY)

Introduction to Anatomy using a Hands-on Approach Introduction to Medical Imaging: Understanding Radiologic Normal Anatomy and Disease using Cutting-Edge Technology

Package D - Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in Human Health, Disease, and the Environment (MED D JULY)

Molecular Mechanisms of Disease Biochemistry and Society: Current Issues

Package E - The Science Behind the Mind and Pharmacology in Psychiatry (MED E JULY)

The Science Behind the Mind Psychiatric Disorders and their Pharmacological Treatments

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Medicine cont'd

Package F - Major Mental Illnesses and Psychotherapy (MED F JULY)

Mood Disorders and Psychosis Introduction to Psychotherapy

Package G - Introduction to Population and Public Health (MED G JULY)

Social Determinants of Health Introduction to Population and Public Health Practice

Package H - Understanding the Recovery and Treatment from Injury and Chronic Disease (MED H JULY)

Exercise is Medicine Recovery from Injury

Package I - Medical Laboratory Science (MED I JULY)

Introduction to Medical Laboratory Science Fundamental Techniques for Clinical and Medical Research Laboratories

Package J - Anatomical Sciences (MED J JULY)

Principles of Body Structure and Function Applied Neuroanatomy Package K - Systems Pathophysiology and Principles of Data Science in the Life Sciences (MED K JULY)

Data Science Applications in the Medical Sciences Systems Pathophysiology

Package L - Aging (MED L JULY)

Biological Aspects of Aging Clinical Aspects of Aging

Package M - From Conception to Life Saving Surgery Across the Life Span (MED M JULY)

Introduction to Women's Health
Exploring the Specialty of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Nursing

Package A - Seniors Health and Home Care (NURS A JULY)

Introduction to Seniors' Health

Introduction to Caring for Seniors at Home and in the Community

Package B - Health Research Methods (NURS B JULY)

Introduction to Research Methods in the Health Sciences Introduction to Visual Methods in Health Research

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Pharmaceutical Sciences

Package A - Making Better Medicines (PHAR A JULY)

The Discovery of New Medicines

Personalizing Medicines with Genomics and Biotechnology

Science - Chemistry

Package A - Chemistry: Global Challenges and the Environment (CHEM A JULY)

The Chemical Enterprise and Global Challenges Environmental Chemistry of the Oceans and Atmosphere

Science - Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences

Package A - The Dynamic Earth and its Beautiful Treasures (EOAS A JULY)

The Dynamic Planet Earth Treasures

Package B - The Earth's Oceans, Atmosphere and Climate (EOAS B JULY)

Ocean and Atmosphere Systems Marine Biodiversity

Science - Institute for Resources, Environment and Sustainability

Package A - Climate Change, Energy and Society (IRES A JULY)

Climate Change: Causes, Consequences and Adaptation Energy for Sustainable Development

Package B - Sustainable Futures (IRES B JULY)

Nature Matters - Ecology, the Environment and You Oceans in the 21st Century

Science - Integrated Sciences

Package A - Game Theory and Symmetry (ISCI A JULY)
Game Theory
Symmetry

Package B - Exploring Vancouver: Systems and Sustainability (ISCI B JULY)

The Vancouver Environment The Vancouver Anthrosphere

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SAMPLE JULY VSP SCHEDULE

2019 JULY VSP Sample Class and Social Schedule										
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY			
						Jul-13	Jul-14			
						Airport Pickup† Check-in 15:00				
	Jul-15	Jul-16	Jul-17	Jul-18	Jul-19	Jul-20	Jul-21		Legend	
9:00 - 12:00	Orientation and Faculty Welcome	City tour	Class A	Class A	Class A				UBC Organized Event	
13:30 - 16:30	Campus Tour	Class B	Class B	Class B	Sports Festival (13:00 - 16:00)		Whistler Day Trip (optional)*		OBO Organized Event	
Evening	UBC Welcome (16:30 - 18:00)		MoA Tour		ourchase at Merit Travel :00 -19:30)				Faculty Organized Event	
	Jul-22	Jul-23	Jul-24	Jul-25	Jul-26	Jul-27	Jul-28			
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A				*Trips arranged by non- UBC Travel Company at	
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Victoria Day Trip (optional)*	Whistler Day Trip (optional)*		additional cost	
Evening	MoA Tour			MoA Tour	Richmond Night Market					
	Jul-29	Jul-30	Jul-31	Aug-01	Aug-02	Aug-03	Aug-04			
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Whistler Day Trip	Victoria Day Trip	packages will be fi	s for the individual inalized closer to the nedules for the course	
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	(optional)*	(optional)*	packages will vary by faculty. Please check with your faculty coordinator before		
Evening			Mini Grad Fair (17:00 - 19:00)		Students often use this time for sightseeing trips to Rocky Mountains or other destinations at their own cost			finalizing your after school plans on weekdays.		
	Aug-05	Aug-06	Aug-07	Aug-08	Aug-09	Aug-10	Aug-11	Aug-12	Aug-13	
9:00 - 12:00	BC Day Statutory Holiday	Class A	Class A FINAL EXAM	Class B FINAL EXAM					Airport Drop Off†	
13:30 - 16:30		Class B	Evaluations	Farewell Luncheon (12:00 -14:00)					Check-out 11:00	
Evening					Students often use this time for sightseeing trips to Rocky Mountains or other destinations at their own cost					

†Individuals arriving/departing outside of group flights and regular hours will be expected to make their own way to UBC campus/YVR Airport.



VSP ACCOMMODATION

- Students will be assigned either shared apartments or semiprivate unit accommodation on campus
- Easy access to classrooms, recreation, and campus amenities
- Wireless or wired internet access in guest rooms
- Laundry on site



If capacity in the apartments and semi-private units are exceeded, students will be placed in traditional student dormitories



VSP ACCOMMODATION

Shared apartments (6 bedrooms)

- Private bedrooms with single bed
- In-suite bathroom
- Shared living space with TV
- Equipped kitchen

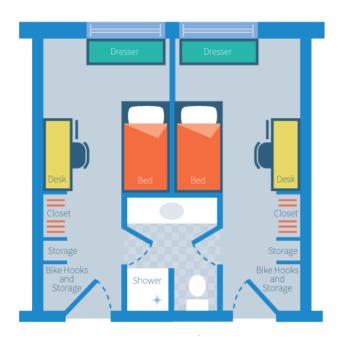




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Semi-Private Units (2 bedrooms)

- Private bedrooms with single bed
- Shared washroom and shower
- Shared floor lounge with TV, fridge, and microwave
- No kitchen facilities
- Breakfast provided Monday to Friday



Students may also be assigned to traditional student dormitories.



VSP PROGRAM FEE

The package fee per student is \$5250 CAD for the July 2019 program and it includes:

- Two courses
- Course materials
- Medical insurance
- Group airport transfers and city tour
- Shared accommodation July 13 August 13, 2019
- Orientation and farewell events
- Socio-cultural activities

(optional trips may require additional fees)



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