

# UBC Vancouver Summer Program

## June 8 – July 8, 2019



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# 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



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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
- **34<sup>th</sup>** in Times Higher Education world rankings (2017/2018), one of three Canadian universities in the top 50

[www.ubc.ca/facts](http://www.ubc.ca/facts)



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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)



# VSP PROGRAM PACKAGES

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## **Applied Science - Electrical and Computer Engineering**

### **Package A – Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering (ELEC A JUNE)**

*Introduction to Digital Technology and Smart Devices*

*Introduction to Electric Circuits, Sensors, and Power*

### **Package B - Renewable Energy and Power Conversion (ELEC B JUNE)**

*Introduction to Renewable Energy*

*Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power*

## **Architecture and Landscape Architecture**

### **Package A - Thinking by Design (ARCH A JUNE)**

*Design Thinking Through Making*

*Design Thinking Through Drawing*

## **Arts**

### **Package A – From Stage to Screen: How Vancouver 'plays' to a Global Audience (ARTS A JUNE)**

*From Drama to Theatre: How Does a Play Mean?*

*Documentary & the City*

### **Package B - Global Journalism, Culture and Communications: Practice and Principles (ARTS B JUNE)**

*Culture and Communications*

*Global Journalism*

### **Package C - The English Language in a Globalized World (ARTS C JUNE)**

*The History and Future of the English Language*

*How Human Language Works*

### **Package D - International Finance, Trade and Politics (ARTS D JUNE)**

*International Trade and Financial Markets*

*Dynamics of Democracy and Global Uprisings*

Many course packages have a minimum and maximum class size, so we encourage you to register your students early. Course packages that do not have the minimum number of students will not be offered, but students may transfer to other packages.

Visit [vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca](http://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca) for the most current information on course packages.



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## Business

### Package A - International Business Management and International Marketing (BUS A JUNE)

*International Business Management*  
*International Marketing*

### Package B - Strategic Management and New Enterprise Development (BUS B JUNE)

*Strategic Management*  
*New Enterprise Development*

## Community and Regional Planning

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

*Urban Big Data Analysis*  
*Spatial Analysis Using Geographic Information Systems*

## Education

### Package A - Teaching and Learning English (EDU A JUNE)

*Applied Linguistics for Teachers*  
*Introduction to Teaching and Learning English*

### Package B - Early Childhood Education and Development (EDU B JUNE)

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

## Forestry

### Package A - Urban Forestry (FOR A JUNE)

*An Introduction to Urban Forestry*  
*Urban Forestry and Well-being*

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## **Land and Food Systems**

### **Package A - Nutrition and Healthy Eating (LFS A JUNE)**

*Essentials of Nutrition*

*Healthy Cooking and Eating in Canada's Multicultural Context*

## **Medicine**

### **Package A - Clinical Research and Clinical Medicine (MED A JUNE)**

*Introduction to Clinical Research in the Sciences*

*Introduction to Clinical Medicine at the Bedside*

### **Package B - Health Care and Living with Long-Term Conditions in the Community (MED B JUNE)**

*Health Care and Living with Long-Term Conditions*

*Strategies for Cognitive, Psychosocial and Rehabilitation*

*Management of Long-Term Conditions*

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# SAMPLE JUNE VSP SCHEDULE

2019 JUNE VSP Sample Class and Social Schedule							
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						Jun-08 <i>Airport Pickup†</i> Check-in 15:00	Jun-09
	Jun-10	Jun-11	Jun-12	Jun-13	Jun-14	Jun-15	Jun-16
9:00 - 12:00	<b>Orientation and Faculty Welcome</b>	<b>City Tour</b>	Class A	Class A	Class A	Whistler Day Trip (optional)*	
13:30 - 16:30	<b>Campus Tour</b>	Class B	Class B	Class B	<b>Sports Festival</b> (13:00 - 15:00)		
Evening	<b>UBC Welcome</b> (16:30 - 18:00)	Registration for Optional Tours			Richmond Night Market		
	Jun-17	Jun-18	Jun-19	Jun-20	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jun-23
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A		Vancouver Whitecaps FC
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B		
Evening			Improv Night		MoA Tour		
	Jun-24	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-27	Jun-28	Jun-29	Jun-30
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A	Victoria Day Trip (optional)*	
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B		
Evening		Vancouver Canadians	<b>Mini Grad Fair</b> (17:00 - 18:00)				
	Jul-01	Jul-02	Jul-03	Jul-04	Jul-05	Jul-06	Jul-07
9:00 - 12:00	<b>Canada Day Statutory Holiday</b>	Class A FINAL EXAM	Class B FINAL EXAM				
13:30 - 16:30		Evaluations	<b>Farewell Luncheon</b> (12:00-14:00)				
Evening				Students often use this time for sightseeing trips to Rocky Mountains or other destinations at their own cost			
							<i>Airport Drop Off†</i> Check-out 11:00

Legend
UBC Organized Event
Faculty Organized Event
*Trips arranged by non-UBC Travel Company at additional cost

Note: Schedules for the individual packages will be finalized closer to the program dates; schedules for the course packages will vary by faculty. Please check with your faculty coordinator before finalizing your after school plans on weekdays.

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



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# VSP ACCOMMODATION

- Shared apartments
- Easy access to classrooms, recreation and campus amenities
- Wireless internet access in guest rooms
- Laundry on site



# VSP ACCOMMODATION

## Shared apartments (6 bedrooms)

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



Students may also be assigned to dormitory style accommodation which will not have cooking facilities

# VSP PROGRAM FEE

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

- Two courses
  - Course materials
  - Medical insurance
  - Group airport transfers and city tour
  - Shared accommodation June 8 – July 8, 2019
  - Orientation and farewell events
  - Socio-cultural activities
- (optional trips may require additional fees)





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