

# UBC Vancouver Summer Program

## June 3 - July 3, 2018



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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 students from cooperating universities.

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



# 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 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

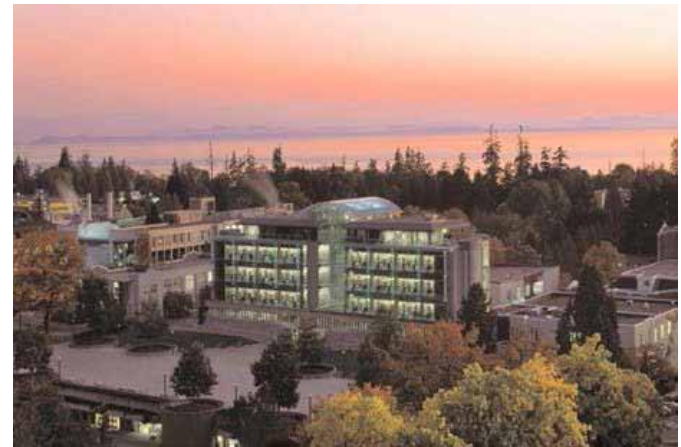


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Canada's education ranks amongst the best in the world

UBC is a global centre for research and teaching, ranking among the world's top 20 public universities

17 faculties, 14 schools, and 1 college offer a wide range of study options



# UBC AT A GLANCE

- **62,923** students (Vancouver: 54,236; Okanagan: 8,687)
- **14,434** international students from 162 countries
- **12,800** degrees granted in 2016
- **318,000+** alumni in 150 countries
- **15,660** faculty and staff
- **\$2.5 billion** annual operating budget
- **\$580 million** per year in research funding for 8,808 projects
- **199** companies spun off from UBC research
- **\$12.5** billion in economic impact
- **7** Nobel prize winners among current or former faculty and alumni
- **34<sup>th</sup>** in Times Higher Education world rankings (2017/2018)

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



# 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

**JUNE 3 - JULY 3, 2018**

## **Applied Science - Civil Engineering**

### **Package A - Structural Materials**

*Structural Materials*

*Laboratory Testing of Structural Materials*

### **Package B - Advanced Concrete Structures**

*Advanced topics in Concrete Technology*

*Experimental Studies of Structural Concrete Elements*

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

### **Package A - Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering**

*Introduction to Digital Technology and Smart Devices*

*Introduction to Electric Circuits, Sensors, and Power*

### **Package B - Renewable Energy and Power Conversion**

*Introduction to Renewable Energy*

*Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power*

## **Architecture and Landscape Architecture**

### **Thinking by Design**

*Design Thinking Through Making*

*Design Thinking Through Drawing*

## **Arts**

### **Package A - International Finance, Trade, and Politics**

*International Trade and Financial Markets*

*Dynamics of Democracy and Global Uprisings*

### **Package B - Global Journalism, Culture and Communications: Practice and Principles**

*Culture and Communication*

*Global Journalism*

## **Business**

### **Package A - International Business Management and International Marketing**

*International Business Management*

*International Marketing*

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.

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# VSP PROGRAM PACKAGES

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## **Business cont'd**

**Package B - Introduction to Marketing and Management and Organizational Behaviour**

*Introduction to Marketing*

*Management and Organizational Behaviour*

## **Community and Regional Planning**

**Innovations for Livable Cities**

*Innovations in Community Economic Development*

*Innovative Housing Solutions*

## **Education**

**Package A - Language in Canada and beyond**

*Language practices in Canada: A multilingual land*

*Language across borders and boundaries*

**Package B - Early Childhood Education and Development**

*Designing High Quality Programs in Early Childhood Settings*

*Creating Environments to Support Learning in Early Childhood Settings*

## **Forestry**

**Urban Forestry**

*An Introduction to Urban Forestry*

*Urban Green Spaces and Well-being*

## **Medicine**

**Package A - Clinical Research and Clinical Medicine**

*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**

*Health Care and Living with Long-term Conditions*

*Strategies for addressing Psychosocial and Environmental Factors of Long-Term Conditions*

## **Science - Institute for Resources, Environment and Sustainability**

**Climate Change & Energy Futures: Where Innovation Meets Hope**

*The Grand Challenge of Climate Change: Causes, Consequences and Adaptation*

*Energy Innovation and Climate Solutions*

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# SAMPLE JUNE VSP SCHEDULE

June 2018 VSP Class and Social Schedule							
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
							Jun-03
							Airport Pickup† Check-in 15:00
	Jun-04	Jun-05	Jun-06	Jun-07	Jun-08	Jun-09	Jun-10
9:00 - 12:00	Orientation and Faculty Welcome	City Tour	Intercultural Communication Class	Class A	Class B	Whistler Day Trip (optional)*	
13:30 - 16:30	Campus Tour	Class A		Class B	Sports Event		
Evening	UBC Welcome (4:30 - 6:00 pm)	Registration for Optional Tours			Richmond Night Market		
	Jun-11	Jun-12	Jun-13	Jun-14	Jun-15	Jun-16	Jun-17
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A			
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B			
Evening		MoA	Improv Night				
	Jun-18	Jun-19	Jun-20	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jun-23	Jun-24
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A	Class A		Victoria Day Trip (optional)*	
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B			
Evening		Vancouver Canadians	Mini Grad Fair (5:00-6:00 pm)				
	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-27	Jun-28	Jun-29	Jun-30	Jul-01
9:00 - 12:00	Class A	Class A	Class A FINAL EXAM	Class B FINAL EXAM			Canada Day Statutory Holiday
13:30 - 16:30	Class B	Class B	Evaluations	Farewell Luncheon (12:00-14:00)			University is closed in lieu of Canada Day
Evening					Students often use this time for sightseeing trips to Rocky Mountains or other destinations at their own cost		
							Jul-02
							Jul-03
							Airport Drop Off Check-out 11:00

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

Note: Schedules for each of the individual packages will be finalized closer to the program dates; schedules for the course packages will vary by faculty.

†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

- Shared apartments
- Easy access to classrooms, recreation and campus amenities
- Wired high speed internet 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



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



## VSP PROGRAM FEE

The package fee per student is \$5100 CAD for the June 2018 program and it includes:

- Two courses
- Course materials
- Medical insurance
- Group airport transfers and city tour
- Shared accommodation June 3 – July 3, 2018
- Orientation and farewell events
- Socio-cultural activities  
(optional trips may require an additional fee)



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