



As one of the world's leading universities,
 the University of British Columbia creates an exceptional learning environment that fosters global citizenship, advances a civil and sustainable society, and supports outstanding research to serve the people of British Columbia, Canada and the world.



Vancouver

- ▶ Vancouver is an energetic, safe and multi-cultural city, frequently rated as one of the most livable cities in the world.
- ▶ Our natural surroundings are truly spectacular; the westcoast lifestyle emphasizes healthy living, and balancing hard work with fantastic outdoor recreation opportunities.
- ▶ UBC itself is situated on a peninsula, surrounded by water and forest habitat.
- ▶ The Vancouver area has the most temperate climate in all of Canada—snow in the mountains, but very rarely in the city.
- ▶ Arts and culture are booming in Vancouver—a gallery, performance space or café is around every corner.
- ▶ Metro Vancouver is home to more than 8,000 hi-tech companies, and a highly educated, youthful and ethnically diverse population.

Why choose UBC?

- ▶ Our graduate community is **vibrant, innovative and focused** on exploring the world's most fascinating questions and solving our most pressing problems.
- ▶ UBC creates an open, bold, and supportive environment to allow students to live their passion for discovery.
- ▶ UBC is consistently **ranked** within the top universities worldwide.
- ▶ In 2009-10, UBC earned more than \$549 million in **research funding** and ranks in the top 10 universities in North America in creating spin-off companies.
- ▶ Two Nobel laureates are among UBC's more than 2,500 **internationally renowned faculty**.
- ▶ More than \$1.3 billion in infrastructure funding has recently been invested to provide the **best learning and research environment** for our faculty and students, including new buildings and facilities: Student Union, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Earth Systems Science, Law School, School of Music, Engineering facilities, a Biodiversity Museum, new student housing projects and much more.
- ▶ UBC's commitment to **sustainability** was recently recognized as UBC received Canada's first "gold" in an international program that assesses sustainability achievements in higher education. This makes UBC one of North America's top-five most sustainable universities.

Faculties

UBC offers master's and doctoral degrees within 13 faculties:

Applied Science (Engineering, Architecture, Nursing), Arts, Dentistry, Education, Forestry, Graduate Studies, Land & Food Systems, Law, Medicine, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Sauder School of Business, Science, and the College for Interdisciplinary Studies.



Message From the Dean

In choosing grad school at UBC, you will be choosing to join one of the finest communities of scholars and researchers in the world. Consistently ranked among the world's top research-intensive institutions, our continuing success is the result of the accomplishments of our great faculty and our exceptional students. It is a place where we recognize that graduate students are major contributors to the discoveries in research that will serve our communities at home and abroad and as such deserve the highest level of service and support. We also recognize that graduate students need opportunities to develop professional skills and abilities that will enhance their future careers in a highly diverse range of occupations and we have an extraordinary program that provides such opportunities.

We encourage you to join us and discover all that you can accomplish.

- Dr. Susan Porter, Dean *pro tem*

UBC Grad School Facts

- ▶ **Comprehensive, research-intensive** university that can accommodate research interests in almost every imaginable field.
- ▶ **9,500+ graduate students** comprise 20% of the UBC student population.
- ▶ **Globally relevant** with 25% of graduate students from outside of Canada, partner institutions in more than 130 countries, and dozens of research collaborations around the world.
- ▶ **One of the largest academic libraries** in Canada.
- ▶ **Extensive services for students**, including housing, health services, career services, fitness and recreational facilities.
- ▶ **Two graduate student residential colleges** on campus, Green College and St. John's College, dedicated to our graduate community.
- ▶ A unique **Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies Program** allows students to combine three fields of their choosing into one degree at either the master's or the doctoral level. ▶ www.isgp.ubc.ca
- ▶ The Faculty's **Aboriginal Student Coordinator** connects prospective Aboriginal students to the people and programs at the University that are able to support their success.
- ▶ The **Graduate Pathways to Success (GPS)** program offers many non-credit workshops, seminars and activities designed to complement the academic curriculum and mentorship experience of graduate students.

International Students

- ▶ Unlike many universities, international students pay tuition fees comparable to Canadian students for most graduate programs.
- ▶ All students have access to Canada's excellent health care system and support services at UBC. ▶ www.students.ubc.ca/international
- ▶ Government visa programs may allow students to work in Canada after graduation.
- ▶ To gain admission, international students must show proof of English language proficiency. ▶ www.grad.ubc.ca/international



Admissions

UBC Graduates Studies admits excellent students with bachelor's and master's degrees from around the world. Some programs admit directly to the doctoral program from a bachelor's degree, and will also admit students continuously throughout the year.

Applying through UBC's online application at www.grad.ubc.ca/apply is easy. Application deadlines, grade point average requirements and other admission requirements vary by degree program and need to be checked with each program.

www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students

Financial support

All incoming doctoral students are automatically considered for Four Year Fellowships and other merit-based scholarships. Students can also apply for other awards including the Killam Doctoral Scholarships and the Vanier Doctoral Scholarships. Most Canadian Tri-Council award winners will receive top-up funding and many UBC programs offer guaranteed financial support packages including teaching and research assistantships. In total, Graduate Studies alone manages more than \$5 million in awards.

www.grad.ubc.ca/awards

Grad School @ UBC

UBC offers over 130 master's and doctoral degree programs in nearly every academic field imaginable.

Discover more. www.grad.ubc.ca

The University of British Columbia

UBC is a global centre for research and teaching, consistently ranked among the 40 best universities in the world. Surrounded by the beauty of the Canadian West, UBC embraces bold new ways of thinking that attract exceptional students and faculty. It is a place where innovative ideas are nurtured in a globally connected research community, providing unparalleled opportunities to learn, discover and contribute in one's own way. UBC is a place of mind.