The Faculty of Arts, which is at the centre of one of North America’s best research-intensive universities, produces internationally engaged, world-leading scholarship.

Comprising nearly 20% of UBC’s professors and graduate students, the faculty’s excellence is reflected in its outstanding research grant success (raising over $34 million dollars in funding annually) and high-profile publications, exhibitions, and performances.

Graduate students are a key part of our success and we provide millions of dollars in funding for graduate students through university and faculty-funded scholarships.

Our vision
In Arts, we bring together the best of quantitative research, humanistic inquiry, and artistic expression under one umbrella. We teach our students to identify and solve problems, think analytically, reason convincingly, write and speak coherently. We educate artists and thinkers, politicians and political activists, social scientists, and entrepreneurs—producing leaders who will advance a better world.

Our facilities
UBC Library has extensive collections, especially in Arts, and houses the largest research collection of Asian language materials in Canada. Arts graduate programs enjoy the use of state-of-the-art laboratories, the world-renowned Museum of Anthropology and the Belkin Contemporary Art Gallery (admission is free for our graduate students). World-class performance spaces include theatres, concert venues and a performing arts centre.

Admissions
Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies establishes common minimum admission requirements. Your graduate program may have additional requirements. Please refer to the Arts website or the program website for details.

arts.ubc.ca/about/units-departments

Financial support
Four-Year Doctoral Fellowships are available to UBC’s best PhD students. UBC Arts students are also supported through merit-based scholarships and academic employment opportunities such as research assistantships and teaching assistantships.

Understand the human condition
To be human is to wonder, to seek meaning, to discover. Graduate students in the Faculty of Arts create and disseminate knowledge in the humanities, social sciences and the creative and performing arts through teaching, research, professional practice, artistic production and performance.

Arts facts
25 Academic units
80 Graduate programs

Creative & Performing Arts
- Cinema and Media Studies (MA, PhD)
- Creative Writing (MA)
- Creative Writing & Theatre (MA)
- Digital Media (MMID)
- Film Production (MA)
- Film Production & Creative Writing (MA)
- Music (MA, MMus, DMA, PhD)
- Theatre (MA, MFA, PhD)

Humanities
- Ancient Culture, Religion & Ethnicity (MA)
- Art History (MA, PhD)
- Art History (Critical Curatorial Studies) (MA)
- Asian Studies (MA, PhD)
- Classics (MA, PhD)
- English (MA, PhD)
- French (MA, PhD)
- Germanic Studies (MA, PhD)
- Hispanic Studies (MA, PhD)
- History (MA, PhD)
- Philosophy (MA, PhD)
- Religious Studies (MA, PhD)
- Visual Art (MA, MFA)

Social Sciences
- Anthropology (MA, PhD)
- Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology (MA)
- Economics (MA, PhD)
- Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice (MA, PhD)
- Geography (MA, MSc, PhD)
- Linguistics (MA, PhD)
- Political Science (MA, PhD)
- Psychology (MA, PhD)
- Science and Technology Studies (MA)
- Sociology (MA, PhD)

Professional schools
- Archival Studies (MAS)
- Archival Studies & Library and Information Studies (MASLIS)
- Children’s Literature (MA)
- Computational Linguistics (MA)
- Journalism (MA)
- Library & Information Studies (MILS)
- Library, Archival & Information Studies (MA, PhD)
- Public Policy and Global Affairs (MA, MPPGA)
- Social Work (MSW, PhD)