WHY CHOOSE UBC

As one of the world’s leading universities, UBC 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.

Our graduate community is vibrant, innovative, and focused on exploring the world’s most fascinating questions and solving our most pressing problems across almost every imaginable field.

UBC has links with eight Nobel laureates and our internationally renowned faculty includes 205 current Canada Research Chairs.

In 2019-20, UBC earned $672 million in research funding and to date has created 222 spin-off companies.

UBC has one of the largest academic libraries in Canada, and has recently invested $1.3 billion in buildings and infrastructure, including: Biodiversity Research Centre, Bioenergy Research and Demonstration Facility, Centre for Brain Health, and the Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability. New buildings have been built for UBC’s law school, earth sciences, pharmaceutical sciences, alumni centre, and student union.

In addition, UBC has completed several new sports facilities and continues to expand housing complexes.

UBC is recognized globally as one of the most sustainable campuses in the world and a model for sustainable cities.

The Graduate Pathways to Success (GPS) program offers more support to prospective Aboriginal students to the people and programs at the University that are able to support their success.

The Faculty’s Aboriginal Student Coordinator connects students to combine three fields into one degree at the master’s level or doctoral level.

UBC has more than 500 partner universities around the world and 35% of graduate students are international.

Extensive services for students are available, including health and wellbeing, housing, career assistance, and fitness and recreational facilities.

There are two dedicated graduate student residential colleges on campus: Green College and St. John’s College.

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The UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

UBC is one of the world’s great public universities, encouraging bold thinking, curiosity and initiative, so our students can realize their greatest potential. We hold a reputation for excellence in advanced research and learning, supported by world-class faculty, postdoctoral fellows, students and research facilities across all major academic disciplines.

GRAD SCHOOL FACTS

Depending on the program, curriculum options include: thesis/research-based, course-based, project(s), or practicum.

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

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