UBC Science delivers top-calibre disciplinary and interdisciplinary graduate programs that produce highly qualified scientific leaders and personnel for British Columbia, Canada and the world. UBC Science offers master’s and doctoral degrees through nine departments and 350 research groups. Our graduate students work with outstanding faculty to specialize in the basic sciences, or to pursue interdisciplinary and applied research through collaborations across departments and research units.

SCIENCE FACTS

- Ranked 33rd in the world by US News and World Report, UBC research prowess in environmental science, math, physics, plant and animal science, computer science, geology and biology is rated best in Canada by international and national rankings.
- UBC Science receives $91 million in annual research funding.
- UBC Science boasts 50 Canada Research Chairs, more than 60 fellows of the Royal Society of Canada, 11 fellows of the Royal Society of London, and has been home to two Nobel laureates.
- UBC Science maintains a diverse graduate student population. Women account for 36% of graduate enrollments, and the percentage of international students has increased to 39% over the past decade.
- UBC Science graduate students have won eight prestigious NSERC-CIHR Vanier scholarships, two NSERC Doctoral Prizes, and four NSERC Innovation Challenge Awards.
- UBC Science researchers have created 70 spin-off companies.
UBC Science is enormously proud of the role it plays in preparing future scientific leaders, technology entrepreneurs, and highly qualified personnel. Our graduate students are investigating a host of pressing questions—brain recovery after stroke, improved resource discovery, how biodiversity can be better understood and sustained, statistical modeling, and leading edge nanotechnology—to name just a few. Whatever your area of interest and your desired contribution, we offer young scientists a broad array of degree options, first-rate facilities, and the opportunity to work alongside some of the world’s top ranked researchers.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS
- Astronomy (MSc, PhD)
- Atmospheric Science (MSc, PhD)
- Bioinformatics (MSc, PhD)
- Botany (MSc, PhD)
- Chemistry (MSc, PhD)
- Computer Science (MSc, PhD)
- Data Science (MDS)
- Engineering Physics (MASc)
- Genome Science and Technology (MSc, PhD)
- Geological Engineering (MASc, MEng, PhD)
- Geological Sciences (MSc, PhD)
- Geophysics (MASc, MSc, PhD)
- Mathematics (MSc, PhD)
- Medical Physics (MSc, PhD)
- Microbiology and Immunology (MSc, PhD)
- Oceanography (MSc, PhD)
- Oceans and Fisheries (MSc, PhD)
- Physics (MSc, PhD)
- Resources, Environment and Sustainability (MA, MSc, PhD)
- Statistics (MSc, PhD)
- Zoology (MSc, PhD)

RESEARCH STRENGTHS & FACILITIES
Ranked among the world’s best research-intensive universities and home to a broad range of enriched industry training programs, UBC Science offers young scientists an unparalleled opportunity to advance their careers.

UBC’s focus across disciplines inspires our graduate students to widen their horizons and apply their knowledge outside their specialization. Interdisciplinary researchers include statisticians aiding drug discovery, computer scientists mining health data, chemists unravelling plant defence strategies, and geologists discovering carbon dioxide sinks.

UBC Science houses a wide variety of industry-related programs. From atmospheric aerosols to high-throughput biology, from biodiversity research and ecosystems services to plant cell wall biosynthesis, from quantum science and new materials to applied geochemistry: the options are almost endless.

Our affiliated institutes and centres include Michael Smith Laboratories, Advanced Materials and Process Engineering Laboratory, Biodiversity Research Centre, Life Sciences Institute, Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences, Mineral Deposit Research Unit, Stewart Blusson Quantum Matter Institute, the Institute for the Oceans and Fisheries, and TRIUMF, Canada’s national laboratory for particle and nuclear physics.