

Exchange Fact Sheet 2017 - 2018

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Application Information

To apply for exchange at the University of Victoria for both fall and spring terms, please submit the following items by **April 30, 2017**:

- 1. Application Form
- 2. Course Preference Form
- 3. Unofficial Transcripts (In English)
- 4. TOEFL Score
- 5. Passport-style photo
- 6. Proof of Medical Insurance

For more information on exchange, your students can view our Incoming Exchange Handbook at: http://www.uvic.ca/gustavson/international/international/incoming/index.php

Important Dates

Application Deadline (for both Fall & Spring term): April 30, 2017

Fall Term

Student Orientation (mandatory): August 31- September 1, 2017 *Term Dates:* September 6- December 18, 2017

Spring Term

Student Orientation (mandatory): January 2, 2018 Term Dates: January 3- April 25, 2018

Fee Opt-In

Deadlines for Fee Opt In: September 30, 2017 (fall) and January 31, 2018 (spring)

Undergraduate Students Fees: CAD \$243.03

Universal Bus Pass (U-Pass): \$81.00

Athletics/ Recreation Services: \$85.43

UVSS Membership: \$71.60 + \$5.00 Renovation Fee



Courses and Grading Scales at Gustavson School of Business

Undergraduate Studies

Each course is worth 1.5 units. Five courses (7.5 units) is a full load and three courses (4.5 units) is the minimum for exchange students. A list of business courses open to exchange students will be sent out in early spring. Course selection is done prior to arrival (deadline April 30) and the International Programs Office will register students in their courses. Changes may be made during orientation, but selection will be limited.

BCom Grading Scale

Grades	Grade Point Value	% Range	Description
A+	9	90 - 100	Exceptional, outstanding and excellent performance. These grades indicate a student who is self-
A	8	85 - 89	initiating, exceeds expectations and has insightful grasp of the subject matter.
A-	7	80 - 84	
B+	6	77 - 79	Very good, good and solid performance. These grades indicate a good grasp of the subject matter
B	5	73 - 76	or excellent grasp in one area balanced with satisfactory grasp in other areas.
B-	4	70 - 72	
C+	3	65 - 69	Satisfactory or minimally satisfactory. These grades indicate a satisfactory performance and
C	2	60 - 64	knowledge of the subject matter.
D	1	50 - 59	Marginal performance. A student receiving this grade demonstrated a superficial grasp of the subject matter.
E	0	TBD	Conditional supplemental.
F	0	0 - 49	Unsatisfactory performance. Wrote final examination and completed course requirements; no supplemental.
N	0	n/a	Incomplete. Did not complete all graded components.

Graduate Studies (MBA)

Students must be registered in an MBA program at their home university and have a minimum TOEFL of 575 to take courses in our MBA program. MBA courses are 1.5 units each and students take 4.5 units from one of our two MBA specializations (Entrepreneurship or Services Management), and can take an additional 1.5 units of undergraduate courses. MBA courses are only offered in the fall term. Course selection is made prior to arrival (deadline April 30) and changes are not possible upon arrival. MBA grading scale is similar to BCom grading scale (for exact scale, please contact International Programs Office).



Before arriving in Victoria

Study Permit & VISA

A Study Permit is required for any student attending school for longer than 6 months. Students of some countries require an Entry Visa (regardless of length of stay) in addition to a Study Permit. Please contact a Canadian Embassy to confirm requirements. For a list of Canadian Consulates and Embassies please refer to: https://travel.gc.ca/assistance/embassies-consulates

Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

As of March 15, 2016, visa-exempt foreign nationals who fly or transit through Canada must have an eTA. Please refer to the following link in order to determine whether you require an eTA: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp The cost of the document is CAD \$7.00 and is valid for five years or the duration of your passport, whichever comes first.

Health Insurance

Medical coverage is compulsory. We recommend you purchase health insurance in your own country. If needed, a health insurance plan is available through an agent at the University of Victoria for approximately \$60 per month. Please note, we will not issue a letter of acceptance until we receive proof of medical insurance.

Options for Accommodation

Homestay

You will be placed with a Canadian host family who will provide housing, meals and an opportunity to learn the local lifestyle. This will cost approximately \$950 CAN/month (including food). For more information, please visit: http://www.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/homestay/students/

On-Campus Housing

There are very limited spaces for on-campus housing and students are placed in a lottery system when they apply. The cost for on-campus housing ranges from approximately \$687.75 CAN/month (cluster)- \$1129.63 CAN/month (single dorm room with starter meal plan). Please note, as the process for on-campus housing is extremely competitive in the fall term, the likelihood of securing a spot on campus is very low. For more information, please visit: http://www.housing.uvic.ca/

Off-Campus Housing

For more independence, students can search for off-campus accommodation through the following websites*:

UVic Off Campus Housing http://housing.uvic.ca/offcampus/ index.php

Renting an apartment, basement suite or condo can range from \$500 - \$1000 CAN/month (not including food).

* Please be vigilant when searching for off-campus housing and take extra care when meeting owners and putting down a deposit.