UBC Vancouver Summer Program
June 4 – July 4, 2017
AN INTRODUCTION TO THE VSP

The **Vancouver Summer Program (VSP)** is a four week academic program offered by various Faculties at the University of British Columbia, Canada for cohorts of students from cooperating universities.

The program provides the opportunity to take two academic courses while learning about Canadian practices and culture.
VSP PROGRAM BENEFITS

**Study** at a world-renowned university

**Meet** students from other universities and Canadian students through socio-cultural activities

**Improve** your English skills

**Learn** about Canadian culture and society
ABOUT VANCOUVER

Vancouver is located in the southwest corner of British Columbia – one of Canada’s 10 provinces and 3 territories

40 minutes away from the United States border

Population 2.3 million
ABOUT VANCOUVER

Consistently rated as one of the best places to live in the world in terms of quality of life, opportunities, cultural diversity, political stability, and a healthy environment.
UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Canada’s education ranks amongst the best in the world

UBC is Canada’s third largest university and a leader in research

18 faculties, 12 schools, and 2 colleges offer a wide range of study options
UBC AT A GLANCE

- **61,113** students (Vancouver: 52,721; Okanagan: 8,392)
- **13,189** international students from 155 countries
- **12,841** degrees granted in 2015
- **306,000+** alumni in 140 countries
- **15,190** faculty and staff
- **$2.3 billion** annual operating budget
- **$600 million** per year in research funding for 8,766 projects
- **180** companies spun off from UBC research
- **$12.5 billion** in economic impact
- **7** Nobel prize winners among current or former faculty and alumni
- **34th** in Times Higher Education world rankings

www.ubc.ca/facts
UBC CAMPUS

The UBC Campus is a 20-minute drive from downtown Vancouver.

The 1000-acre campus is surrounded by the Pacific Ocean with snow-capped mountains in the distance.
VSP COURSE PACKAGES

There are two courses in each package

Each course is about 39 hours of class time

Classes are interactive and often include group work and discussions

Evaluation may include assignments, group projects, papers, exams, and participation marks

Courses do not receive UBC credit but credit may be granted by the student’s home university (at its discretion)
VSP PROGRAM PACKAGES
JUNE 4 – JULY 4, 2017

Applied Science - Civil Engineering
Civil Engineering Materials
Project Based Learning in Civil Engineering Materials

Applied Science - Electrical and Computer Engineering
Renewable Energy and Power Conversion
Introduction to Renewable Energy Systems
Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power

Architecture and Landscape Architecture
Package A - Urban Landscape Architecture
Design in the Public Realm
Landscapes and Parks of the Vancouver Region

Package B - Making by Design
Fabrication techniques for design
Integrating design and fabrication

Arts
International Finance, Trade, and Politics
International Trade and Financial Markets
Dynamics of Democracy and Global Uprisings

Business
Package A - International Business Management and International Marketing
International Business Management
International Marketing

Package B - Introduction to Marketing and Management and Organizational Behaviour
Introduction to Marketing
Management and Organizational Behaviour

Education
Package A - Teaching and Learning English
Applied Linguistics for English Teachers
Introduction to Teaching and Learning English

Package B - Language in Canada and beyond
Language practices in Canada: A multilingual land
Language across borders and boundaries

Package C - Classroom Management and Behavioural Assessment
Classroom Management
Assessment and Positive Behaviour Support in School and Community Settings

The most current information on course packages is on the website vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca
VSP PROGRAM PACKAGES
JUNE 4 – JULY 4, 2017

Education cont’d
Package D - Culture, Creativity, and Learning Technologies
Digital Media in Arts Education
Learning Technologies and Creativity in the Digital Age

Package E - Early Childhood Education and Development
Designing High Quality Curriculum in Early Childhood Settings
Creating Environments to Support Learning in Early Childhood Settings

Forestry
Urban Forestry
An Introduction to Urban Forestry
Green-Space Management in North America

Medicine
Package A - Clinical Research and Clinical Medicine
Introduction to Clinical Research in the Sciences
Introduction to Clinical Medicine at the Bedside

Package B - Introduction to Population and Public Health
Social Determinants of Health
Introduction to Population and Public Health Practice

Package C - Health Care and Living with Long-term Conditions in the Community
Health Care and Living with Long-term Conditions
Strategies for Cognitive, Psychosocial and Rehabilitation Management of Long-term Conditions

Many course packages have a minimum and maximum class size, so we encourage you to register your students early. Course packages that do not have the minimum number of students will not be offered, but students may transfer to other packages.

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**Legend:**
- **UBC Organized Event**
- **Faculty Organized Event**
- **Optional Trips**

**Note:** Schedules for each of the individual packages will be finalized closer to the program dates; schedules for the course packages will vary by faculty.

*Trips arranged by non-UBC Travel Company at additional cost

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**University is closed in lieu of Canada Day**

**Airport Drop Off†** Check-out 11:00
VSP ACCOMMODATION

• Shared apartments
• Easy access to classrooms, recreation and campus amenities
• Wired high speed internet in guest rooms
• Laundry on site
VSP ACCOMMODATION

Shared apartments (6 bedrooms)

• Private bedrooms with single bed
• In-suite bathroom
• Shared living space with TV
• Equipped kitchen

Note: Students may also be assigned to dormitory style accommodation which will not have cooking facilities
**VSP PROGRAM FEE**

The package fee per student is $4750 CAD for the June 2017 program and it includes:

- Two courses
- Course materials
- Medical insurance
- Group airport transfers and city tour
- Shared accommodation June 4 – July 4, 2017
- Orientation and farewell events
- Socio-cultural activities
  (optional trips may require an additional fee)
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