



Information / Short Description



Vancouver Island University (VIU) is a public university founded in 1936 and currently has approximately 12,000 students and over 100 different study programs. Small course sizes with a maximum of 34 students create ideal learning conditions and a dynamic exchange between students and lecturers. VIU's main campus is located in the port city of Nanaimo on Vancouver Island on the west coast of Canada. Numerous outdoor activities and sports are possible all year round thanks to the close proximity to the sea, forests and mountains. The metropolis of Vancouver is just a ferry ride away and the popular tourist destination of Victoria is easily accessible by bus.

Website

international-student-office.org/en/study-in-canada/ und international.viu.ca

Study Opportunities

For a study abroad period at VIU, students may choose subjects from all bachelor programs in the following study fields:

- Business Management
- Art & Design
- Humanities & Social Sciences
- Health & Human Services
- Science & Technology
- Tourism & Hospitality

Master study abroad students can mix and match classes from the MBA program. Detailed information is available via the VIU program website: www.viu.ca/programs/areas-study

Tuition and Fees per Semester

Fees may change without prior notice. A detailed overview of your fees can be found after acceptance at VIU in your student record. 1 Credit at VIU is usually considered equivalent to 2 ECTS.

Study Abroad Semester	Tuition for Freemover	Tuition for Students from Partner Institutions
Bachelor 9 Credits	7,750 CAD	6,995 CAD
Bachelor 12 Credits	10,100 CAD	9,100 CAD
Bachelor 15 Credits	12,550 CAD	11,300 CAD
MBA 9 - 15 Credits	7,250 CAD - 11,850 CAD	
MAEdL 9 - 15 Credits	7,900 CAD - 12,900 CAD	

- Application Fee: 153 CAD (waived for students from partner institutions)
- Health Insurance: 388.50 CAD / semester
- Official Transcript: 13 CAD (7 day service)

Application

To apply to VIU, please submit the following documents via email to our European office:

- Application form
- Official academic transcripts in English
- Master students also need to hand in their Bachelor diploma in English
- Proof of English proficiency (waived for students from German partner institutions):
 - TOEFL iBT: 88
 - IELTS: 6.5
 - Cambridge Certificate: 176
 - Duolingo: 125
- Valid passport copy



» My semester abroad at Vancouver Island University was an incredible experience. The combination of academic challenges, new friendships, and unforgettable travels not only provided me with a wealth of knowledge but also helped me develop personally. I highly recommend a semester in Canada to everyone! The orientation week before the start of the semester was a fantastic opportunity to get to know the university and its offerings. I was particularly impressed by the sense of community, which was fostered through small activities and campus events. »

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Start Dates & Deadlines	<p>The academic year at VIU is divided into two semesters: January to April and end of August to mid-December. The application deadlines usually end on March 31 for the September start and on July 31 (Master) or September 30 (Bachelor) for the January start. Later applications are possible upon request. Please also note the deadlines of your home university.</p>
Accommodation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homestay with meals: Approx. 1,400 CAD per month • Homestay without meals: Approx. 1,160 CAD per month • On-campus residences: Approx. 690 -1,135CAD per month depending on type of room • Off-campus accommodation: 900 - 1,600 CAD per month <p>Detailed information on all accommodation options at VIU is available on the VIU housing website: https://services.viu.ca/housing</p>
Visa This information is supplied without liability	<p>Many students who study in Canada for less than six months do not require a Study Permit. Please note that visa-exempt foreign nationals who fly to or transit through Canada will need an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA). Detailed information is available on the Canadian Embassy's website: www.canada.ca/en.html</p>
Scholarships & Funding	<p>Partial scholarships of up to €2,000 are awarded annually by the VIU European Office. Further financial support can be applied for through the BAföG abroad office. It is also worth taking a look at other independent scholarship organizations.</p> <p>You can find more information about funding and scholarships here: https://www.international-student-office.org/en/how-to-pay-for-study-abroad/</p>

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