



Exchange Fact Sheet 2020-2021

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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 via our online application form <https://gsbipincoming.uvic.ca/> by **April 30**:

1. Application Form
2. Course Preference Form
3. Most Updated Unofficial Transcripts (In English)
4. TOEFL Score
5. Passport-style photo

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 terms): April 30

Fall Term

Student Orientation (mandatory): September 4 - September 5, 2020

Term Dates: September 9 - December 21, 2020

Spring Term

Student Orientation (mandatory): January 5, 2021

Term Dates: January 6 - April 26, 2021

Fees

Deadlines for Fee Opt-Out: **September 22, 2020 (fall) and January 22, 2021 (spring)**

(* Fees are based on the 2019-2020 academic year, and are subject to change in April 2020.)

Optional Fees* (opt-in): \$246.73

Universal Bus Pass: \$81.00

Athletics & Recreation: \$88.88

UVSS Membership: \$76.85

Mandatory Fees: \$265.00

Mandatory Temporary Medical Insurance:
\$265.00

* these 3 fees cannot be unbundled



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 GSB International Office will register students in their courses sometime in June. 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-initiating, exceeds expectations and has insightful grasp of the subject matter.
A	8	85 - 89	
A-	7	80 - 84	
B+	6	77 - 79	Very good, good and solid performance. These grades indicate a good grasp of the subject matter or excellent grasp in one area balanced with satisfactory grasp in other areas.
B	5	73 - 76	
B-	4	70 - 72	
C+	3	65 - 69	Satisfactory or minimally satisfactory. These grades indicate a satisfactory performance and knowledge of the subject matter.
C	2	60 - 64	
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.



Before arriving in Victoria

Canadian Study Permit & Entry Documents

A Study Permit is required for any student attending school for longer than 6 months. Students of some countries require a Temporary Resident Visa (TRV) in addition to a study permit. If you are only staying for one semester (less than 6 months), we recommend applying for a study permit for great flexibility (ability to work on/off campus, if eligible etc). Please refer to the Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) website for more information about this process: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship.html>

Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

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: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/eta.html> The cost of the document is \$7.00 CAN and is valid for five years or the duration of your passport, whichever comes first.

Health Insurance

The University of Victoria has implemented a mandatory medical insurance plan which will cover exchange students for one semester while studying at UVic. If your student is studying at our institution for two semesters, he or she would have to apply for the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP) upon arrival for medical coverage during the spring semester. The cost of this mandatory plan is CAD \$265.00 for the semester and must be purchased once the student is in Victoria.

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 preference is given to students who are studying for two terms. Students who are only here for the fall term are placed on a waitlist when applying for on-campus housing. The cost for on-campus housing ranges from approximately \$835.75 CAN/month (cluster room, no meal plan)- \$1379.25 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 \$800 - \$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.*