

# UBC

RANKING MEDICAL  
DOCTORAL

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AVERAGE ENTERING GRADE **89.6%** | TUITION **\$5,529**

An undergraduate could feel overwhelmed at a school as big as UBC, with its sprawling Point Grey campus and an international reputation for research and graduate programs. That's why UBC enlisted Nobel laureate Carl Wieman to revamp undergraduate science education, and ramped up programs such as service learning so that students who may not get one-on-one attention from profs can build close relationships in the community instead. Meanwhile, the Okanagan campus offers a more intimate environment, even as it continues to expand: \$450 million was invested, allowing it to grow from 2,800 students in 2005 to 8,300 in 2013. Students have access to "some of the best teaching" and a "superb research base," says Stephen Toope, who is wrapping up eight years as president. "The spectacular natural setting of both campuses only adds to the experience." The Point Grey campus overlooks the ocean to the west and is separated from urban Vancouver by Pacific Spirit Park to the east. The Okanagan campus is mostly new, but there are plenty of mature trees to read under while enjoying Kelowna's pleasant climate.



- Commerce: This 3,000-strong program has traditional majors such as finance and marketing, as well as unique electives such as environmental marketing and creativity.

## COOL COURSES

- Cult Cinema: An overview of world cult cinema taught by Ernest Mathijs, the author of *100 Cult Films*.
- Student Directed Seminars: Have an idea for a course? UBC offers undergrads the chance to take charge of their education by initiating and coordinating small-group seminars, including developing the course outline and generating reading and resource lists.

## STANDOUT PROGRAMS

- Arts One/Science One: Arts One is an interdisciplinary first-year program emphasizing English, history and philosophy; students study in groups no larger than 100. Science One, also interdisciplinary, focuses on biology, chemistry, physics and math.
- International Economics: Learning in groups of 85, students focus on international trade, finance and international development, and participate in paid and volunteer internships.

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### STUDENT BODY

**UNDERGRADUATES:** Full-time 32,938 · Part-time 14,075

**GRADUATES:** Full-time 8,994 · Part-time 1,415

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** First-year 17% · Graduate 32%

**MALE-FEMALE RATIO:** 46 to 54

### HOUSING FACTS

**RESIDENCE SPACES:** 10,901 (3,218 reserved for first-year students)

**RESIDENCE COSTS:** Double room with meals: \$7,798 to \$8,614 ·

Single room with meals: \$7,798 to \$9,217 · Single room without meals:

\$4,953 to \$6,356 · Apartment style: \$5,169 to \$7,323

### MINIMUM ENTERING GRADES

Arts: 80% · Science: 88% · Commerce: 84% · Engineering: 85%

(Okanagan campus: Arts: 70% · Science: 75% · Engineering: 82%)