UBC Vancouver Summer Program
June 3 – July 3, 2018
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 students from cooperating universities.

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

**Gain** an international academic experience

**Study** at North America’s most international university*

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

**Learn** about Canadian culture and society

*Times Higher Education’s “World’s Most International Universities 2017” ranking*
ABOUT VANCOUVER

Vancouver is the third largest city in Canada, located in the southwest corner of British Columbia.

40 minutes away from the United States border

Population 2.4 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.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Canada’s education ranks amongst the best in the world

UBC is a global centre for research and teaching, ranking among the world’s top 20 public universities

17 faculties, 14 schools, and 1 college offer a wide range of study options
UBC AT A GLANCE

- **62,923** students (Vancouver: 54,236; Okanagan: 8,687)
- **14,434** international students from 162 countries
- **12,800** degrees granted in 2016
- **318,000+** alumni in 150 countries
- **15,660** faculty and staff
- **$2.5 billion** annual operating budget
- **$580 million** per year in research funding for 8,808 projects
- **199** 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 (2017/2018)

www.ubc.ca/facts
UBC CAMPUS

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

More than 400 hectares in size, the stunning campus is surrounded by forest on three sides and ocean on the fourth.
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 3 - JULY 3, 2018

Applied Science - Civil Engineering
Package A – Structural Materials
Structural Materials
Laboratory Testing of Structural Materials

Package B - Advanced Concrete Structures
Advanced topics in Concrete Technology
Experimental Studies of Structural Concrete Elements

Applied Science - Electrical and Computer Engineering
Package A – Introduction to Electrical and Computer Engineering
Introduction to Digital Technology and Smart Devices
Introduction to Electric Circuits, Sensors, and Power

Package B - Renewable Energy and Power Conversion
Introduction to Renewable Energy
Electricity and Conversion for Renewable Power

Architecture and Landscape Architecture
Thinking by Design
Design Thinking Through Making
Design Thinking Through Drawing

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

Package B - Global Journalism, Culture and Communications: Practice and Principles
Culture and Communication
Global Journalism

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

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.

The most current information on course packages is on the website vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca
VSP PROGRAM PACKAGES
JUNE 3 - JULY 3, 2018

Business cont'd
Package B - Introduction to Marketing and Management and Organizational Behaviour
Introduction to Marketing
Management and Organizational Behaviour

Community and Regional Planning
Innovations for Livable Cities
Innovations in Community Economic Development
Innovative Housing Solutions

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

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

Forestry
Urban Forestry
An Introduction to Urban Forestry
Urban Green Spaces and Well-being

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

Package B - Health Care and Living with Long-term Conditions in the Community
Health Care and Living with Long-term Conditions
Strategies for addressing Psychosocial and Environmental Factors of Long-Term Conditions

Science - Institute for Resources, Environment and Sustainability
Climate Change & Energy Futures: Where Innovation Meets Hope
The Grand Challenge of Climate Change: Causes, Consequences and Adaptation
Energy Innovation and Climate Solutions

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# SAMPLE JUNE VSP SCHEDULE

**June 2018 VSP Class and Social Schedule (Sample)**

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**Legend**

- UBC Organized Event
- Faculty Organized Event
- Trips arranged by non-UBC Travel Company at additional cost

**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. Please check with your faculty coordinator prior to finalizing your after school plans on weekdays.

*Individuals arriving/departing outside of group flights and regular hours will be expected to make their own way to UBC campus/YVR Airport.*
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 $5100 CAD for the June 2018 program and it includes:

- Two courses
- Course materials
- Medical insurance
- Group airport transfers and city tour
- Shared accommodation June 3 – July 3, 2018
- Orientation and farewell events
- Socio-cultural activities
  (optional trips may require an additional fee)
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