BRING YOUR LEARNING TO LIFE

At UVic, dynamic, hands-on learning is a major part of the student experience. Programs like co-op take learning beyond the classroom, bringing students and community together to tackle challenges that matter to people, places and the planet.

42% of UVic students take part in co-op
1,360+ employers hire UVic co-op students
74% of UVic co-op students have a job offer before graduation

With one of Canada’s largest co-op programs, our students are in demand around the world.

Contact coopinfo@uvic.ca or visit uvic.ca/coopandcareer to learn more.

General Description of Institution

The University of Victoria (UVic) is one of Canada’s leading universities. Widely recognized for leadership in research, inspired teaching and community engagement, UVic offers innovative programs and real-life learning experiences in a diverse and welcoming West Coast environment. UVic is rated 115th in the world (Lodges) and is home to 21,800 students.

Key Institutional Contact(s)

Co-operative Education Program and Career Services
coopinfo@uvic.ca or www.uvic.ca/coopandcareer

University Admissions
recruitment@uvic.ca or www.uvic.ca/admissions

General Description of Co-op Programs

At UVic, co-op helps students discover what they love and what they’re great at by putting what they’re studying to work. Since the program launched in 1976, UVic co-op students have completed close to 90,000 work terms worldwide. Co-op students alternate terms in class with paid co-op work terms in jobs related to their field of study to try different jobs, earn a salary, meet employers and gain relevant experience. UVic co-op students reflect on each experience to develop their core and program-specific competencies, plus they learn how to effectively search for work and succeed in the workplace. It’s all part of the program.

Top Employers

More than 1,360 employers hire UVic co-op students each year to work in a range of industries. Some recent employers include the BC Cancer Agency, Facebook, Genologics, Google, Parks Canada, Teck and Tesla.

Top Countries

Co-op students completed more than 350 international work terms last year, including in China, the United States, Japan, Germany, Thailand, Australia and the United Kingdom.

Current Institution Collaborations

Some of our current international collaborations include:

- Aga Khan University in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania
- Baden-Wuerttemberg Co-operative State University in Germany
- Beijing University in China
- Fh Joanneum University of Applied Sciences in Austria
- Thomas More University College in Belgium
- Tokyo University of Marine Sciences and Technology in Japan
- University of Wollong in New Zealand