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UBC Admissions Student Declaration

The following Student Declaration appears on the UBC Application Form for Undergraduate Admission. The Admissions Office will not process an application unless the applicant has accepted the Student Declaration as part of completing the application form.

1. I agree that my secondary and post-secondary grades may be released to UBC. I will notify Undergraduate Admissions of any additional secondary and/or post-secondary studies taken subsequent to the date of this application.
2. I agree that if I knowingly or carelessly provided untrue or incomplete information with this application, then UBC may in its sole discretion do any or all of the following: (a) withdraw any offer of admission, whether accepted or not; (b) require me to withdraw from UBC; (c) subject me to academic discipline; (d) share the information I provided with other post-secondary institutions, law enforcement agencies, or other third parties.
3. I agree that UBC may verify the information provided by contacting the relevant institution or any secondary or post-secondary institutions not listed in this application.
4. I agree that my name may be released to my school or school district if I am a Scholarship recipient.
5. I agree, if admitted to UBC, to comply with all rules and regulations of the University, present and future.

Graduate Admission Procedures

Prospective graduate students apply for admission to the University of British Columbia online through the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (http://grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/application-admission). Application deadlines vary by degree program.

The following graduate degree programs are not administered by the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies:

- M.Eng. (http://engineering.ubc.ca/prospective-students/graduates/professional-programs) (Master of Engineering)
- MBA (http://sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/MBA) (Master of Business Administration)
- MM (http://sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/Master_of_Management) (Master of Management)
- PharmD (http://pharmsci.ubc.ca/programs) (Doctor of Pharmacy)

For graduate admission procedures, please see the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies section on admission (http://calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,204,340,0).

Undergraduate Admission Procedures

Prospective undergraduate students apply online (http://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/how-to-apply) for admission to the University of British Columbia. Further information on how to apply to UBC is available at you.ubc.ca (http://you.ubc.ca).

Applications will not be processed until all required items, including the fees, have been received. See Policies on Fees (http://calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/proof/edit/index.cfm?tree=14,265,0,#18185).

Inquiries concerning admission should be made to:

UBC Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc)
The University of British Columbia
Enrolment Services
2016-1874 East Mall
Vancouver, BC Canada V6T 1Z1
Telephone: 604.822.3014
Fax: 604.822.3599

Application deadlines are January 15 unless otherwise noted. For application and document deadlines for the various faculties and schools, see Application Deadlines. All necessary educational documents and an Application for Admission form must be submitted by the designated date.

Faculties or schools that have more eligible applicants than they can admit will not accept applications after the deadline. Faculties or schools that expect to have space available may accept late applications. However, late applications will only be considered after all other eligible applications and it may not be possible to process them before the start of classes. Applications that are not complete by the document deadline may be cancelled if the program has been filled by that date.

Documents submitted in support of an application become the property of the University and are not returned to the applicant unless they are irreplaceable (e.g., graduation certificates/booklets, Iranian high school transcripts, etc.). Applicants who submit irreplaceable documents may complete a Request for Return of Irreplaceable Documents form, available from Admissions. Irreplaceable documents will be returned after the admission evaluation is complete. For
applicants who do not attend UBC, documents will be kept on file for one year only. For those who attend UBC, admission documents are retained for five years after a student stops attending the University.

Notification of admission decisions are given to applicants after all necessary documents have been received and evaluated. Offers of admission and information concerning registration procedures will be provided to all successful applicants.

Students receiving offers of admission to most limited enrolment programs will have their offer of admission revoked and their eligibility to register cancelled if they do not register by the cancellation date given in their letter of acceptance. Offers of admission or readmission are valid only for the session(s) or campus indicated on the letter of acceptance.

Application and Document Deadlines

Application Deadlines for Undergraduate Degree and Diploma Programs

The following deadlines pertain to new-to-UBC applicants, applicants applying to change programs and/or campuses within UBC, and applicants applying for readmission to a UBC program in which they have previously been enrolled but have discontinued their studies for any reason. If a deadline falls on the weekend or a statutory holiday, it will be extended to the next working day. For other important University dates, see Dates and Deadlines (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?page=deadlines).

Summer Session (May start) application deadline: January 15

Please note, not all degree and diploma programs accept applications to the Summer Session.

Winter Session (September start) application deadline: January 15

Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply by the application deadline as some programs will stop accepting applications on this date. Applications received after the deadline may be considered by some programs but will not be evaluated on the same basis or with the same priority as those received by the deadline.

See table below for exceptions and important notes relating to Winter Session application deadlines:

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<td>Accounting</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>Commerce</td>
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<td>Application deadlines differ based on location of institution where the applicant's degree was completed. Details are on the Admission website for the Diploma (<a href="http://www.sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/Diploma_in_Accounting/Admissions_and_Fees">http://www.sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/Diploma_in_Accounting/Admissions_and_Fees</a>).</td>
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<td>Art History</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>Arts</td>
<td>August 1</td>
<td>Application Deadlines: January 31 for applicants to the Entry to Practice (ETP) option. Third Friday in February for dental hygiene diploma holders.</td>
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<td>Dental Science in Dental Hygiene</td>
<td>B.D.Sc.</td>
<td>Dentistry</td>
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<td>The application deadline is the second Friday in October in the calendar year prior to admission. (e.g., October 2014 for August 2015 entry.)</td>
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<td>Dentistry</td>
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<td>Applications are accepted all year and must be received one month before anticipated registration date.</td>
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<td>Education</td>
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<td>Education</td>
<td>January 31</td>
<td>A supplemental application due February 15 is required of all B.En.D. applicants. Further information is available here (Calendar page: <a href="http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,196,525,696#8259">http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,196,525,696#8259</a>).</td>
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<td>Environmental Design</td>
<td>B.En.D.</td>
<td>School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture</td>
<td>January 15</td>
<td>Applications invited for interviews must complete a supplementary application that includes three references, site preferences, and a progress report for currently enrolled graduate students. The Supplemental date may vary. See Application Timelines (<a href="http://www.med.ubc.ca/education/md_ugrad/MD_Undergraduate_Admissions.htm">http://www.med.ubc.ca/education/md_ugrad/MD_Undergraduate_Admissions.htm</a>) for current information.</td>
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<td>International Dental Degree Completion</td>
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<td>Application deadlines for Medicine are not affected by weekends.</td>
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B. Mus. applicants complete a supplementary application, submit relevant supporting materials including reference letters, and visit UBC in February or March for auditions and entrance tests. (Applicants unable to visit sent recordings and complete entrance tests under proxied supervision.)

Document Deadlines for Undergraduate Degree and Diploma Programs

In addition to submitting an application for undergraduate admission, applicants are required to submit documentation in order to satisfy admission requirements.

1. English Language Admission Standard
   All applicants are required to meet the English Language Admission Standard (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=2,19,0,0). Applicants are notified by email, and via the Student Service Centre (http://ssc.adm.ubc.ca/sscportal/servlets/SRVSSCFramework) under Application Status, of the documentation that is required and the dates by which it must be submitted in order to be considered in an admission decision.

2. Competitive Academic Requirements
   All applicants are required to meet university minimum academic standards as well as competitive academic requirements that differ by program. Applicants are notified by email, and via the Student Service Centre (http://ssc.adm.ubc.ca/sscportal/servlets/SRVSSCFramework) under Application Status, of the transcripts that are required and the dates by which they must be submitted in order to be considered in an admission decision.

3. Broad Based Admission Criteria
   Many UBC programs require additional information for consideration in admission decisions. This may include a portfolio, audition, manuscript, essay, list of extracurricular activities, interview, or other information. Applicants are notified by email, and via the Student Service Centre (http://ssc.adm.ubc.ca/sscportal/servlets/SRVSSCFramework) under Application Status, of any additional documentation that may be required or optional and the dates by which this information must be submitted in order to be considered in an admission decision.

Deadlines for the submission of supporting documentation vary depending on an applicant’s academic history. While these deadlines will be communicated to applicants once they apply, applicants should be prepared to submit required documents such as transcripts, as early as possible following the submission of an application as admission decisions are generally made in the spring.

Applicants who are offered admission based on academic work in progress are required to submit final documentation showing successful completion of all admission requirements prior to beginning their studies at UBC.

Application and Document Deadlines for Non-Degree Entry

The following deadlines pertain to Visiting Students, Access Study applicants, Concurrent Study applicants, Unclassified Studies, and all others applying to enrol in UBC courses through Non-Degree Studies. The application as well as all required and supporting documentation must be submitted by these dates. For more information, visit the Non-Degree Studies (http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/courses/non-degree-studies) website.

Summer Session Terms 1 and 2 (May start) deadline: March 15

Winter Session term 1 (September start) deadline: July 15

Winter Session Term 2 (January start) deadline: November 15

Policy on Admissions

Notice Regarding Admissions

Admission requirements, including academic standards, grades, course requirements, and due dates, are subject to the approval of the Vancouver Senate and may change throughout the year.

Admission information herein reflects information current to the most recent Calendar release and pertains mainly to applicants to begin studies during the 2018/19 academic year. Admission requirements for future years will be published online as they become available.

NOTE: Please refer to the Calendar regularly for updated information.

Policy on Admissions

The University of British Columbia seeks applications from students who can benefit from and contribute to the varied and stimulating academic life at this university. The University’s admission regulations and procedures are intended to identify such students and to ensure that they enter programs at a level
that will allow them to get the maximum benefit from their university studies.

Applicants are evaluated on the basis of a broad range of criteria indicative of their preparedness for study at UBC, including English language abilities, academic performance in specific courses, the strength of their overall program of studies, and other indicators of personal preparedness including demonstrated learning or aptitudes, achievement in standardized tests, and activities both in and out of school.

Excellent students who do not meet minimum published admission requirements may be considered for admission in exceptional cases by the dean of the faculty or the dean's designate.

The number of new students that can be admitted to each program is dependent on a number of factors and is usually not known when the first offers of admission are made. The chances of receiving an offer of admission may be increased by the early submission of an application and supporting documentation. Application and document deadlines are the latest dates on which an application or document will be accepted. Processing of applications does begin before these dates and in some cases programs may be filled by well qualified students before the document deadline.

The University reserves the right, the published regulations notwithstanding, to deny admission on the basis of overall academic record and to limit enrolment by selecting from among qualified applicants those who will be admitted.

Except in special circumstances, no student under the age of 16 is admitted.

The admission requirements in this section refer to the minimum educational level necessary for admission to undergraduate programs. Because of enrolment limitations the academic standing required for admission to most programs is higher than the published minimum. Reference may also be made to the faculty and school entries for specific requirements for admission to the various programs of study in the faculties and schools.

In calculating an admission average, grades reported for secondary schools not following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum may be adjusted to accurately assess the grades in terms of their ability to predict future performance at the University.

**Classification of Students**

1. **Access Studies.** Applicants may be enrolled as Access Studies students upon approval by a faculty (a) to allow them to take a limited number of courses in a specific area to upgrade or achieve a qualification, or (b) when they do not wish to pursue a specific program. Distance education students may be enrolled in this category. Students in this category may normally take up to 6 credits per academic term, up to a maximum of 24 credits in total while registered as Access Studies students. Students enrolled in a UBC degree program may not normally be concurrently registered as Access Studies students. Although documentation requirements vary by Faculty, Access Studies applicants are not normally required to submit transcripts or other academic documentation of prior study. Students with English as a second language, however, are required to satisfy the English Language Admission Standard in the same way as applicants to degree programs. Students who have been required to withdraw from any post-secondary institution must provide official transcripts. To be welcome as an Access Studies student, they must normally first complete a minimum of 15 credits of transferable coursework with a GPA of 2.0 on the 4-point scale since having been required to withdraw. Students who have been required to withdraw more than once from any post-secondary institution or program are not eligible for admission as Access Studies students. Continuation as an Access Studies student is normally contingent upon maintaining a passing grade on all courses attempted. Admission as an Access Studies student does not guarantee that a student will be able to register for any course offered. Admission as an Access Studies student does not imply future admission as a regular student. For more information, please contact the Non-Degree Studies Office (n.degree@ubc.ca or 604.822.1428).

2. **Exchange.** A visiting student studying at UBC under a Senate-approved student exchange program and enrolled in studies for transfer to a degree program at another university.

3. **Vantage Program.** A student enrolled in credit courses as part of the Vantage Program (VP). Admission to the Vantage Program generally limits enrolment to those courses that are part of the Program and registration under this status is limited to no more than 16 months and no more than 55 credits of study. Students registered as Vantage Program students may not be concurrently registered under another classification and may, with permission of the Program, take up to six (6) credits of elective coursework at UBC outside of the Vantage Program.

4. **Mature Student.** An individual whose formal education was interrupted and who did not meet the normal requirements for admission but who demonstrated an intellectual maturity that permitted acceptance to the university. Mature students are permitted to undertake degree or diploma studies on the same basis as a regular student. Admission criteria are outlined under Mature Applicants.

5. **Post-Degree Trainee.** A post-graduate non-credit student pursuing further clinical or research training in their specialty.

6. **Qualifying.** A student enrolled in make-up studies in preparation for registration as a regular student in a graduate or professional program. Qualifying status is granted only to those students who are recommended for such status by the departments concerned and the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

7. **Regular.** A student enrolled for studies leading to a degree or a diploma, whether on a full-time or a part-time basis.

8. **Resident.** A dental resident registered in a postgraduate training program in the Faculty of Dentistry.

9. **Unclassified.** A student enrolled for studies not intended to lead to a particular degree or diploma. Unclassified students should normally have a recognized degree. Admission as an unclassified student does not guarantee that a student will be able to register for any course offered. Admission as an unclassified student does not imply future admission as a regular student. Students with a failed year in a faculty will not be admitted as unclassified until they have discontinued their studies for at least one year. After a second failed year, admission as unclassified will be subject to the approval of the Senate Admissions Committee.

1. **Unclassified Students Applying to Second or Subsequent Undergraduate Degree Programs**

   A faculty may limit the number of credits taken as an Unclassified student that may be counted for credit toward a second or subsequent undergraduate degree. See individual faculty listings and/or contact faculty advisors for details.

2. **Unclassified Students Applying to Graduate Programs**

   Courses taken as an unclassified (or non-degree) student may be approved for transfer toward a graduate program on permission of the department and the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

   Students with standard transfer credit regulations, students are limited to transferring a minimum of 12 credits or up to 40% of the program credit requirements, whichever is more, toward their master's program. No more than 6 credits of transfer credit may be at the
undergraduate level (3**/4**). To be eligible for transfer, a minimum B standing must have been achieved and the course(s) must not have been counted toward the completion of another degree or program.

10. Visitor. A student enrolled in studies for transfer to a program of studies at another recognized post-secondary institution. See Fees (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,265,0,0#10329) for applicable fees. Students must be in good standing in a degree program or equivalent at the home institution and must submit official transcripts and a Letter of Permission with their application. Course registrations will be made on a space-available basis only. A Letter of Permission is valid for one session only. A Letter of Permission must be submitted for any subsequent sessions in which a student wishes to register for courses.

11. Visiting International Research Student (VIRS). An international student who is enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, or graduate-equivalent program at another university, or is a participant in a UBC-recognized (through Go Global) “bridging” program between undergraduate and graduate studies, who visits UBC for one month or longer to conduct research only. A VIRS must be supervised by a UBC faculty member throughout the visit, and must have written permission of their home institution or sponsoring program to visit UBC to conduct research. The department head for the unit or laboratory with which the visitor will be affiliated has final authority to approve a VIRS visit. Students whose home institution has a formal academic student exchange agreement with UBC will be registered as exchange students unless reciprocity quotas are filled; in which case additional students may come under the VIRS designation. A VIRS will normally come to UBC for a maximum of one year. At the end of the approved visit period, the student may request an extension for up to one year. A visit lasting more than one year will require renewal of their permissions, registration, and fees. See also Visiting International Research Student (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,204,341,190#20740).

English Language Admission Standard

English Language Admission Standard > English Language Competence

As English is the language of instruction at UBC, all applicants, regardless of country of origin or of citizenship status, will be required to demonstrate competence in the English language prior to admission. Competence is expected in all of the following skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing.

This requirement is distinct from the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) requirement for first-year English courses and Science One at UBC. Please see Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,197,282,71#17890) and Language Proficiency Index (LPI) Requirement to Enrol in a First-Year English Course for further information about the LPI.

With the exception of applicants to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, applicants may demonstrate English language competence by one of the following:

- Three consecutive years of full-time education in English in Canada. Such education must include BC Grade 12 or the equivalent and can be a combination of secondary and post-secondary education.
- Four consecutive years of full-time education in English in a country where English is the principal language, as determined by UBC. Such education must include BC Grade 12 or equivalent and can be in a combination of secondary and post-secondary education. Years completed in a recognized international school where English is the language of instruction may be eligible for inclusion in the required years of instruction.
- A minimum final English (non-ESL) grade in one of the following:

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<td>BC English 12 provincial exam</td>
<td>70%</td>
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<tr>
<td>BC English Literature 12 provincial exam</td>
<td>70%</td>
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<td>IB English A1 or A2 (Standard or Higher)</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>AP English Language and Composition</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>AP English Literature and Composition</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>GCE Advanced-Level English</td>
<td>B</td>
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1 In an approved school or country where English is the principal language. Grade scale may be adjusted for the different grading practices.

- Successful completion of the equivalent of four years of full-time instruction in a school/institution in Canada in which the major language of instruction is other than English but where the level of English proficiency required is equivalent to that in English-language schools or institutions in Canada. Such education must include the equivalent to BC Grade 12 and can be in a combination of secondary and post-secondary education. (This will include applicants from CEGEPs who have completed English as a first language).
- Graduation from a recognized degree program at an accredited university at which English is the primary language of instruction and in a country where English is the principal language.
- Successful completion of 6 credits of post-secondary first-year English studies for which UBC gives transfer credit.
- Successful completion of the UBC Vantage College program meets the English Language Admission Standard for all direct-entry undergraduate degree programs.
- The competence standard indicated on one of the tests of English language proficiency as listed in the 'English Language Proficiency Tests' table
### English Language Admission Standard > English Language Proficiency Tests

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<td>CAE Certificate in Advanced English</td>
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<td>CAEL Canadian Academic English Language Assessment</td>
<td>Overall 70</td>
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<td>CELPIP Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program</td>
<td>Overall 70</td>
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<td>CELPIP CELT-I (Academic Reading and Writing)</td>
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<td>CELT-L (Listening)</td>
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<td>CELT-S (Speaking)</td>
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<td>CPE Certificate of Proficiency in English</td>
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<td>CAE^4:C</td>
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<tr>
<td>IELTS International English Language Testing System (Academic)</td>
<td>6.5 with no part less than 6.0</td>
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<td>MELAB Michigan English Language Assessment Battery</td>
<td>85 final score, with 3 in the speaking test</td>
<td>80 final score</td>
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<td>PTE Pearson Test of English (Academic)</td>
<td>Overall Score: 65</td>
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1 Unless otherwise stated, the score is the minimum on each part of the examination. Minimum scores must be achieved in a single sitting of the test (i.e., scores across multiple instances of a test may not be used to satisfy minimum component requirements). Tests taken more than two years prior to application for admission will not be considered.

2 See the UBC English Language Institute (http://www.all.ubc.ca) for further details.

3 The Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Test - Academic (CELT-I-A) portion of this test satisfies the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) requirement for first-year English courses at UBC with a score of at least 5 on the essay section.

4 Administered by the University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations organization.

5 Undergraduate applicants who exceed admission requirements but who present an English language proficiency test score below the minimum required for direct entry to a degree program may be considered for the Conditional Admission Program through UBC’s English Language Institute.

### English Language Admission Standard > Waiver of the English Language Admission Standard

Students who have studied full-time for at least four years at a recognized international school where English is the language of instruction, but in a country where English is not the principal language, may be eligible for a waiver of the English Language Admission Standard. A student should consider arranging to meet the requirement through regular means in the event that their request for a waiver of the requirement cannot be granted. To request a waiver, students should send to Admissions:

- A brief letter or email explaining why they believe the requirement should be waived;
A letter of recommendation from the student's high school English teacher, guidance counsellor, principal, or headmaster that attests the student's level of English proficiency is close to, or equal to, that of a native speaker. The letter should provide information as to how the writer may be contacted (including an email address if possible); an official transcript of grades including the student's interim senior year or Grade 12 marks and predicted IB or AP grades (if not already sent); and any additional evidence that may reflect the student's English competence such as achievement test scores (e.g., Scholastic Aptitude Test [SAT] scores).

English Language Admission Standard > Language Proficiency Index (LPI) Requirement to Enrol in a First-Year English Course

Students registered in most undergraduate programs at UBC must fulfill a requirement of at least 3 credits of first-year English.

To be eligible to register in first-year English courses, students must complete the LPI or be exempt from it. The LPI is administered through the LPI Office (http://www.lpitest.ca). Please refer to each faculty's "English Requirements" and the The Language Proficiency Index Requirement for First-Year English (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,197,282,71#17890) for more details. Students in the Faculty of Arts are not required to complete the LPI or be exempt from it.

Students in the Faculty of Arts must fulfill the Writing and Research Requirement. There is no first-year English degree requirement in the Faculty of Arts except for students majoring in English.

Note: A student's registration in other courses may be halted if the English or writing requirement for the student's degree has not been met by the faculty's allotted completion time.

English Language Admission Standard > Conditional Admission Program

Applicants who do not meet UBC's minimum English language admission standard for an undergraduate program may be interested in the Conditional Admission Program (http://www.eli.ubc.ca/condadmission/index.html) offered through UBC's English Language Institute.

To qualify for this program, applicants must:

1. Present academic and other admission selection qualifications, other than English language proficiency, that rank in the top 50% of students selected for admission to the program in the year prior to the date of application; and
2. Present evidence of English language proficiency that can be brought up to UBC's English Language Admission Standard in no more than one year. The minimum competence scores required to qualify for the program are listed in the Calendar under English Language Proficiency Tests.

Successful completion of the Conditional Admission Program requires achieving a level of 600 in the UBC Certificate in English Language, with a minimum of 75% in each sub skill. Successful completion for students admitted to degree programs that require a first year English course also includes presentation of the minimum score required on the Language Proficiency Index (LPI).

Students admitted to the Conditional Admission Program are required to complete the program. Therefore, such students cannot substitute other English language proficiency exams to gain entry to the degree program.

Students admitted to the Conditional Admission Program must successfully complete the program within 12 months of first enrolling in the program.

Minimum Academic Standard for Secondary School Applicants

A minimum admission average of 70% or equivalent on a 50% pass scale is required for consideration to all undergraduate programs.

Due to receipt of many more qualified applicants than there are spaces available in most programs, a higher average is often required.

Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum

Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > Admission Requirements
Academic criteria are the primary basis for determining admissibility to UBC's Vancouver campus; however, many programs consider non-academic information as well. Academic averages for the purpose of admission to UBC's Vancouver campus are primarily based on Grade 12 final or in-progress course grades available in the spring; however, an applicant's full academic history (including grades for completed Grade 11 courses) may be considered, particularly where sufficient Grade 12 information is not yet available.

The minimum academic qualification for admission is secondary school graduation from a recognized secondary school, including the following Grade 11 and 12 courses:

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1 Or approved equivalent International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, or Post-secondary course. See the table Specific Program Requirements for Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum and the sections titled Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Courses Approved to Satisfy Pre-requisites and Post-Secondary Course Credits that Count Toward High School Graduation. See the table Specific Program Requirements for Applicants following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum and the sections titled Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Courses Approved to Satisfy Pre-requisites and Post-Secondary Course Credits that Count Toward High School Graduation.

The admission average will be calculated on English 12, or English 12 First Peoples, and the three additional approved Grade 12 courses. Certain programs may require a competitive minimum grade in individual prerequisite courses used in the calculation of the admission average. Should final or in-progress Grade 12 grades not be available at the time of evaluation, final Grade 11 grades may be used as appropriate.

As a general rule, grades received as a result of challenging a course may not be used in the calculation of an admission average. However, students may use challenged courses to satisfy program prerequisites such as the requirement for an approved Language 11 and/or the language degree requirement in the Faculty of Arts (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,197,282,55#1220).

If there are circumstances where an applicant must present a challenge-based mark for a required Grade 12 mathematics, science, or English course, or where a strong academic student wishes to challenge a UBC-required Grade 12 course in order to take a more advanced course load in high school, please contact UBC Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/admissions.ezc?pageID=1087) for consideration on a case-by-case basis.

Applicants must present an admission average that meets or exceeds the minimum academic standard for secondary school applicants.

A minimum final grade of 70% in either English 11 or English 12 (or equivalent), including provincial examination, is required for all programs.

Applicants who, because of administrative difficulties in their school or because they have a physical, sensory, or specific learning disability, cannot present the courses as required, may be excused a specific admissions course requirement. Supporting documentation sent by the principal of the school concerned is required.

All courses must be completed by June. Summer school courses or grades obtained in supplemental examinations will not be considered.

Applicants are required to write the final examinations offered by the BC Ministry of Education (BC Provincial Examinations) that are required for graduation. For admission decisions, BC Provincial Examination results will be used if the examination result increases the applicant's admission average. However, in cases where a significant discrepancy exists between the course grade and the examination grade, UBC reserves the right to use the examination grade only.

### Approved Grade 12 Courses

- American Sign Language (ASL)
- BC First Nations Studies 12
- Biology 12
- Calculus 12
- Chemistry 12
- Economics 12
- English Literature 12
- English 12 or English 12 First Peoples
- Français Langue 12 or French 12
Geography 12
Geology 12
German 12
Halq'eméylem 12
Heiltsuk 12
History 12
Hu'qum'mi'num' 12
Japanese 12
Kwak'wala 12
Law 12
Liqwala/Kwak'wala 12
Mandarin 12
nsiyxkoen 12
Nte?kemxcin 12
Nuu-chah-nulth 12
Principles of Mathematics 12 or Pre-Calculus 12
Physics 12
Punjabi 12
Secwepemctsin (Shuswap Language) 12
Shashishalhem (Sechelt Language) 12
Sim'algaxhl Nisga'a 12
Sm'algyax 12
Spanish 12
Tsek'ene 12
Upper St'at'imcets 12

1 Eligible for inclusion in admission averages for students applying to enter UBC in 2012 and beyond.
2 Technological limitations prevent UBC from appropriately reflecting some languages in the Calendar. We are working to address this for the future.

**Approved Grade 11 Science Courses**

Applied Physics 11 and 12
Biology
Chemistry
Earth Science
Physics

1 Together these courses meet both the Grade 11 Science requirement and the Physics 11 requirement.

Approved courses offered in French will also be accepted. (Français 12 is not accepted in place of English 12.)

**Approved Grade 11 Language Courses**

Athapaskan (with Athapaskan 12)
American Sign Language (ASL)
Arabic
Chilocotin
Français (Communication et Literature)
Français (Langue)
French
German
Gitksan
Hałq'eméylem
Hebrew
Heiltsuk
Hulp'numn'um
IB Ab Initio Language
Italian
Japanese
Korean
Kwak'wala
Latin
Liqwała/Kwak'wala
Mandarin Chinese
Musqueam
Nisga'a
nsiyłxoxen
Nte'kpmxcin
Nuu-chah-nulth
Nuxalk
Punjabi
Russian
Sechelt
Secwepemc̓ tśin (Shuswap)
Shashishalhem (Sechelt Language)
Sím'ałgaxẖ Nisga'a
Sm'ał glyax
Spanish
Tsek'ene
Upper St'a:ltmcets

1 External Language Certificate 11 or External Language Assessment 11 will meet the language 11 admission requirement.
2 King David High School or Pacific Torah Institute.
3 Taught through UBC courses FNEL 101 and 102.
4 Technological limitations prevent UBC from appropriately reflecting some languages in the Calendar. We are working to address this for the future.
5 Applicants may present any International Baccalaureate (IB) Ab Initio Language in place of Language 11

Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > Post-secondary Courses that Count Toward BC or Yukon High School Graduation

UBC recognizes certain post-secondary courses, completed as part of the high school graduation requirements, for admission and for transfer credit.

For the purpose of admission, all post-secondary courses completed toward high school graduation must satisfy the requirements of the program of study to which an applicant is admitted, and must be transferable to UBC in accordance with agreed-upon equivalencies published in the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca). Successfully completed post-secondary courses are considered electives and will not be used in place of required provincially examinable Grade 12 courses.

The admission average will be calculated on English 12 and three additional approved examinable Grade 12 courses or approved post-secondary course(s). Applicants must arrange to have an official transcript sent directly from their post-secondary institution to UBC Undergraduate Admissions.

Courses successfully completed at recognized colleges and universities in BC and Yukon are granted transfer credit in accordance with agreed-upon equivalencies published in the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca).
Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > Transition Program

UBC, the Vancouver School Board, and the BC Ministry of Education run a joint university preparation program for academically exceptional students. Students enrolled in this program are eligible for admission to the University upon recommendation of the Principal of the Transition Program and concurrence of the dean of the admitting faculty. Completion of required Grade 12 courses (or their equivalent) necessary for entry to that faculty is mandatory.

Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > Concurrent Enrolment Policy

Students who are enrolled in a BC secondary school may be admitted to UBC to pursue Concurrent Studies. Students pursuing Concurrent Studies are admitted under the Access Studies student category. Please see Access Studies for more information. The following conditions will apply at the University:

- the applicant must have a superior academic record;
- the applicant must be enrolled in a BC secondary school in a program that meets regular UBC entry requirements;
- the applicant must have the written recommendation of the secondary school principal;
- the applicant must have the written consent of the parent or legal guardian if under the legal age of majority on the opening day of classes; and
- the applicant must have the support of the dean of the faculty for the courses in which the applicant plans to enrol.

Admission will initially be for one academic session but may be renewed with the continued support of the school principal and the dean. Normally no more than 12 credits may be obtained by Concurrent Studies, but students who continue to have superior academic records and the support of the school principal may seek permission from the dean to enrol in further courses.

Students in Concurrent Studies will be treated as regular students in most respects, except that they may not register in a full range of courses. Standard transcripts will be issued and fees and deadlines will be as for regular students.

Students who have enrolled in Concurrent Studies at other recognized post-secondary institutions prior to secondary school graduation may also be eligible for transfer credit.

Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > British Columbia Adult Graduation Diploma (BCAGD)

The University recognizes the BCAGD Provincial Diploma for admission to the first year of an undergraduate degree. Applicants who have completed the BCAGD must meet the following admission requirements:

1. Four Adult Basic Education (ABE) Advanced Level or Grade 11 courses, which must include English; Algebraic Mathematics (ABE) or Principles of Mathematics 11, one Science¹; and one of Social Science (ABE), Social Studies 11, Civic Studies 11, Language 11, or First Nations 12.

2. Four Provincial Level (ABE) or Grade 12, including English, or English 12 First Peoples, and three additional subjects chosen from Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics (ABE) or Principles of Mathematics 12, Calculus 12, Computer Science (ABE), Economics, Geology, Geography, History, Law 12, English Literature, and Languages.


A minimum final course grade of 70% in either English 11 or English 12 is required for all programs. Applicants from recognized secondary schools must write the BC English 12 Provincial Examination, even if not required for the BCAGD. BC Provincial Examination results will be used if the examination result increases the applicant's admission average. However, in cases where a significant discrepancy exists between the course grade and the examination grade, UBC reserves the right to use the examination grade only.

The admission average will be calculated on ABE Provincial Level English, or English 12, or English 12 First Peoples, and three other ABE Provincial Level or Grade 12 courses, each of which must be graded.

A minimum average of 70% is required for admission to all programs. However, due to limited enrolment, a higher average is required in most programs. All courses must be completed by June. Summer school courses or grades obtained in supplemental examinations will not be considered.

Entrance requirements to specific programs parallel those for BC/Yukon secondary school graduates and applicants should refer to the table Specific Program Requirements for Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum to ensure they have the required courses.

Adult Basic Education (ABE) Courses

UBC accepts the BC Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood) in combination with Adult Basic Education (ABE) Provincial Level courses completed at recognized secondary schools, adult education centres, or post-secondary institutions.
For applicants who complete ABE Provincial Level courses, but do not complete the BC Adult Graduation Diploma (BCAGD), the admission average will be calculated on ABE Provincial Level English, or English 12, or English 12 First Peoples, and three other ABE Provincial Level or Grade 12 courses, each of which must be graded.

A minimum final course grade of 70% in either English 11 or English 12 is required for all programs.

### Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum > Specific Program Requirements for Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum

Below are the required courses used in the calculation of the admission average for specific programs, as well as courses that are required but are not used in the calculation of the average:

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Applicants Following Secondary School Curricula in Canada, outside of BC/Yukon

Applicants must present English to the senior year level and a minimum final grade of 70% (or equivalent) in either English 11 or English 12. All prescribed subjects for the university studies sought, including a minimum standing in some courses, are required. (See the table Specific Program Requirements.)

Applicants must present an admission average that meets or exceeds the minimum academic standard for secondary school applicants.

The following Provincial Requirements apply:

- **Ontario.** Ontario Secondary School Diploma with six appropriate Ontario Academic Courses (OACs) including English (OAC I) or a minimum of six Grade 12 U/M courses including English (ENG4U).
- **Quebec.** Applicants graduating from the 11-year *école secondaire* system are not considered for direct admission to UBC. Such students are considered only after one year in a pre-university diploma program at a CEGEP. For more information, see Applicants from a CEGEP.
- **Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, PEI, Newfoundland, Northwest Territories, and Nunavut.** Grade 12 graduation with standing in at least five appropriate academic Grade 12 courses including English.

The minimum period of study for a UBC degree is four years.

Further information on appropriate academic courses is available through youbc Vancouver (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver).
Applicants Following Secondary School Curricula in Canada, outside of BC/Yukon > Specific Program Requirements

The information contained in the table below applies to applicants from outside BC/Yukon, but is expressed in BC/Yukon terms. Undergraduate Admissions will determine course equivalency. These requirements are in addition to specific Provincial Requirements.

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**Homeschooled Secondary School Applicants**

Applicants completing their secondary school education through home study may be eligible for admission. Applicants will be considered on an individual basis and may be expected to present a recognized academic secondary school credential. Homeschooled applicants are encouraged to contact a program advisor prior to applying for admission.

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Advanced Credit or Placement

Advanced placement, and in many cases advanced credit, may be given in appropriate secondary school subjects where high academic achievement has been attained as long as the required coursework and exams are completed prior to attendance in a degree program at UBC. This provision applies particularly to the Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate (Higher Level), and General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) programs. Applicants should refer to the Undergraduate Viewbook or Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/admissions.ezc) for more information.

Calculus Examination Certificate

Working in collaboration, UBC, Simon Fraser University, the University of Victoria, and the University of Northern British Columbia offer a three-hour calculus examination to all students who have completed, or are currently registered in, a calculus course in secondary school. Students who pass the examination will be awarded a UBC-SFU-UVIC-UNBC Calculus Examination Certificate. The certificate may be presented for credit in MATH 100 at UBC, MATH 151 at SFU, MATH 100 at UVIC, or MATH 100 at UNBC, after registering at one of the four universities. Students claiming credit at UBC will have their examination score shown on their transcript as their grade in MATH 100. Only one attempt is permitted. Students who have already started college or university may not participate. Students already eligible for transfer credit because of high AP or IB scores retain their eligibility regardless of their examination score.

The duties of organizing and hosting the examination rotate between the Mathematics Departments of the participating universities. Web links to the latest information are maintained by the UBC Mathematics Department (see Calculus Examination (http://outreach.math.ubc.ca/calc_challenge.html)).

UBC-SFU-UVic-UNBC Calculus Exam

c/o Mathematics Department
The University of British Columbia
Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z2
Tel: 604.822.2666
Email: challengeexam@math.ubc.ca

Applicants with International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement Courses

UBC recognizes these advanced secondary school programs for admission and for transfer credit.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Students

For students who complete the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, admission to the University will require a minimum of 24 points including bonus points. Due to limited enrolment, a higher score will be required for admission to most programs.

A minimum final grade of “3” in IB English A1 or A2 (Standard or Higher Level) is required for all programs.

International Baccalaureate Certificate Students

International Baccalaureate certificate courses may be combined with an approved high school credential for the purpose of admission.

For students who present International Baccalaureate certificate courses, the admission average will be calculated on the higher of either the official IB final score or the final school grade. In those cases where an IB score is not available at the time of admission selection, the course grade will be used.

The grade conversion scale that will be used to determine admission based on official IB results is as follows:

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<td>70</td>
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International Baccalaureate Transfer Credit

Credit for equivalent first-year UBC courses will be awarded to students who achieve a grade of at least 5 in Higher Level IB Arts courses and 6 in Higher Level IB Science courses. Select Standard Level IB courses may also be awarded credit. Details are provided at Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/ib.ezc).

Advanced Placement Students

Advanced Placement (AP) courses may be combined with an approved high school credential for the purpose of admission.

For students who present Advanced Placement courses, the admission average will be calculated on the higher of either the final AP exam score or the final school grade. In those cases where an AP examination grade is not available at the time of admission selection, the course grade will be used.

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Advanced Placement Transfer Credit

Credit for equivalent first-year UBC courses will be awarded to students who achieve a grade of 4 or better on the appropriate AP course. Details are available at Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/ap.ezc).

Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Courses Approved to Satisfy Pre-requisites

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<th>Advanced Placement Course</th>
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<td>General Chemistry</td>
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<td>English 12</td>
<td>English Language and Composition</td>
<td>English Language A</td>
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<td>Physics 12</td>
<td>Physics (B or C)</td>
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1 One of AP Calculus (AB or BC) or the UBC-SFU-UVIC-UNBC Calculus Examination Certificate may be used as an elective course (in addition to Principles of Mathematics 12).
2 IB Math Studies does not satisfy the prerequisite of Principles of Mathematics 12.

Applicants Following American Secondary School Curriculum

Applicants following the American secondary school curriculum must present the following minimum criteria to be considered for admission:

- graduation from an academic or college preparation program at a US regionally-accredited school;
- English to the senior level (not ESL);
- at least three other senior academic subjects and prerequisites appropriate for the intended program of study;
- three years of mathematics to the junior level;
- a minimum final grade of 70% (or equivalent) in either junior or senior year English; and
- either (a) SAT 1, or ACT, plus Writing (in countries where the SAT and ACT are unavailable, exemptions may be granted).

Certain programs may require a competitive minimum grade in individual prerequisite courses.

Applicants Following Other International Secondary School Curricula
All applicants applying to UBC from a secondary school offering English-medium instruction must present a minimum final grade of 70% (or equivalent) in either junior (Grade 11) or senior year (Grade 12) English. Final grades include both the school grade and mandatory standardized examination results.

The following list outlines the minimum standing for admission in terms of educational credentials. All students must present prerequisites appropriate for their intended program of study.

- General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) or General Certificate of Education (GCE), with standing in at least five subject areas, including English, with three in UBC-approved academic Advanced Level subjects.
- International Baccalaureate (IB). A Diploma with standing in at least six subjects, three at the standard level and three at the higher level, with a Diploma awarded.
- French Baccalauréate and French Baccalauréate International Option (OIB). Completion of the baccalauréat général or the baccalauréat général (option internationale). All sections - S (scientifique), L (littéraire), and ES (économique et sociale) - are eligible for consideration. The baccalauréat technologique may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis.
- Singapore (completion in 2008 and onward): Applicants must present evidence of completion of the new curriculum. Admission will be based on at least five examinations, including English, with three at the H2 level and two at the H1 level.
- Other international school systems not listed above: Graduation from an approved university-preparation program within an education system that comprises 12 years of primary and secondary study or the equivalent. The admission average is calculated on academic courses and/or exams completed at the senior level (final year) of study. These courses and/or exams are selected by the UBC Admissions Office.

Because of the differences in world educational systems, satisfactory completion of secondary school is not necessarily an acceptable basis for admission to first year. The University reserves the right to determine whether or not a student is eligible for admission and to determine what transfer credit, if any, may be granted.

Certain programs may require a competitive minimum grade in individual prerequisite courses.

International Applicants

The University welcomes applications from outstanding international students. Well-qualified applicants from recognized secondary schools, colleges, and universities will be considered, as well as students applying as transfer students from recognized universities and colleges. Applications from short-term visiting students from other recognized universities are also accepted. See Admissions (http://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/admissions.ezc) to apply online.

For more information or further assistance, international students may visit Ask Me @ UBC (http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/ask-me).

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For information about English language admission requirements see UBC's English Language Admission Standard.

Applicants to Vantage College

Applicants apply to UBC Vantage College via an online application form. The fundamental principles governing admission to UBC Vantage College are the mandate to diversify the international student population and the capacity of the student to matriculate into a UBC degree program.

All applicants to UBC Vantage College must demonstrate.

- a minimum level of English proficiency as indicated in the English Language requirement section.
- a suitable level of academic proficiency in the senior level of secondary school study in their domestic curriculum equivalent to having at least a 70% average in the BC/Yukon Secondary School curriculum.

Further, students applying to the Engineering stream in the Vantage Program must have completed:

- senior-level Mathematics (Pre-Calculus)
- senior-level Chemistry
- senior-level Physics

Further, students applying to the Management stream in the Vantage Program must have completed:

- senior-level Mathematics (Pre-Calculus)
Further, students applying to the Science stream in the Vantage Program must have completed:

- senior-level Mathematics (Pre-Calculus), with a minimum grade of 68% (or nearest equivalent on other grading scales)
- Grade 11 Chemistry and Physics or equivalents to BC/Yukon school curriculum

Due to receipt of more qualified applicants than there are spaces available, a higher admission average may be required. Applicants will be assessed for admission based on the following criteria:

- academic performance in secondary school
- secondary school curriculum and coursework
- level of English language preparation

The UBC Vantage College admissions committee may seek additional information relevant to the applicant’s background such as, for example, an applicant’s personal statement of academic experience and aspirations.

The Principal of UBC Vantage College has the right to make case-by-case admission decisions on behalf of the College. The College reserves the right to determine whether or not a student is eligible for admission.

Many students will be admitted on the basis of interim grades to ensure that offers of admission meet the needs of both the applicant and the university for timely decision-making. Students who are admitted on interim grades and whose final grades drop below the final competitive admission average may be contacted by the College and required to participate in support programs to facilitate academic success or have their offers of admission withdrawn at the discretion of the College.

**English Language Requirements**

The language of instruction in the UBC Vantage College Program is English. Before being granted admission into the College, applicants must demonstrate a suitable level of English proficiency.

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<th>English Language Qualification</th>
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<td>CAE Certificate in Advanced English</td>
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<td>CAEL Canadian Academic English Language Assessment</td>
<td>Overall 50</td>
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<td>With the speaking sub-test</td>
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<td>CEL UBC Certificate in English Language</td>
<td>400</td>
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<td>CELPIP Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program</td>
<td>3L</td>
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<td>CELPIT-A (Academic Reading and Writing)</td>
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<td>CELL (Listening)</td>
<td>3L</td>
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<td>CELTOP (Speaking)</td>
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<td>CPE Certificate of Proficiency in English</td>
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<td>IELTS International English Language Testing System (Academic)</td>
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<td>Minimum 5.5 in Reading and Writing</td>
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<td>MELAB Michigan English Language Assessment Battery</td>
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<td>PTE Pearson Test of English (Academic)</td>
<td>Overall Score: 48</td>
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<td>Reading: 43</td>
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Academic Requirements

Applicants to the UBC Vantage College Program must be graduates of a secondary school system that comprises 12 years of primary and secondary study or the equivalent. Where the school system comprises 11 years of study, curricula will be reviewed and students may be eligible at the discretion of UBC Vantage College. The admission average is calculated on academic courses and/or exams completed at the senior level of study. These courses and/or exams are selected by the UBC Vantage College admissions office.

Calculation of Admission Average for Applicants to UBC Vantage College from BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum

Specific Program Requirements for Applicants Following the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum

Below are the required courses used in the calculation of the admission average for specific UBC Vantage College program streams for applicants from the BC/Yukon Secondary School Curriculum, as well as courses that are required but are not necessarily used in the calculation of the admission average:

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<td>Vantage College - Management Stream</td>
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Transfer Credit

Transfer credit is not applicable towards the Vantage College program.

Appeals on Admission Decisions

Please refer to the Admission Appeals information.
Applicants with prior credit from a recognized degree program will be admitted on satisfaction of the appropriate admission requirement as outlined below. Courses successfully completed in prior study, where appropriate, may satisfy requirements of the program of study to which an applicant is admitted.

Applicants with unsatisfactory standing designated by a prior post-secondary institution within their most recent 24-30 UBC-transferable credits will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may be inadmissible. Definitions of unsatisfactory standing that can result in non-admission include cases in which a student is no longer eligible to enroll at their institution or is on academic probation, typically due to poor academic performance.

**Recognized Degree Programs in Canada**

In BC, recognized degree programs are those authorized by the Ministry of Advanced Education by recommendation of the Degree Quality Assessment Board.

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**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Applicants from a College or University**

The minimum academic standing to qualify for admission to the University as a transfer student is successful completion of 24 transferable credits with a C average (60% where 50% is a passing grade), or grade point average of 2.0 (calculated on a 4-point scale: A+=4.33, A=4.0, A-=3.67, B+=3.33, B=3, B-=2.67, C+=2.33, C=2, C-=1.67, D+=1.33, D=1, D-=0.67, F=0). Applicants presenting fewer than 24 credits are evaluated on the basis of the most recently completed transferable credits (to a maximum of 30 credits) of college or university courses attempted, including failures and repeated courses.

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**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Applicants from a CEGEP**

**Admission**

Applicants from a collège d'enseignement général et professionnel (CEGEP) must have at least one full year of study in a pre-university diploma program. This year must consist of twelve appropriate courses for admission, including two courses in either ENGL (603) or FREN (601) plus any pre-requisite courses required for the selected degree program.

Admission is based on all academic courses completed in the pre-university diploma program. An admission average of at least 60% is required. Many programs have more qualified applicants than spaces and a higher admission average will be required.

The côte de rendement au collégial (R-Score) may be used as a supplement for admission. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their R-Score.

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The côte de rendement au collégial (R-Score) may be used as a supplement for admission. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their R-Score.
Transfer credit for up to one full year of study may be applied towards a UBC degree for students who have completed a Diplôme d'études collégiales (DEC) program. Admitted applicants who have not completed a DEC will be considered for transfer credit on a case by case basis.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Program-Specific Prerequisites**

Many undergraduate programs require post-secondary transfer applicants to satisfy specific academic requirements at either the secondary or post-secondary level in order to be considered for admission.

Transfer applicants should consult the Calendar for more information on program and course pre-requisites for the program(s) to which they wish to apply.

In some cases, university transferable coursework may satisfy high school prerequisites. Information on acceptable post-secondary equivalents may be obtained from an academic advisor in the faculty.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Maximum Allowable Transfer Credit**

In general, transfer credit is limited to the first two years of an undergraduate degree program, but credit at a more senior level is possible with the approval of the faculty concerned. No more than 60 credits of transfer credit, or 50% of required program credits, are allowed in any program, and in some programs the maximum may be less. Courses successfully completed at recognized colleges in BC and Yukon are granted transfer credit in accordance with agreed-upon equivalencies published in the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca).

Courses successfully completed at recognized colleges in BC and Yukon are granted transfer credit in accordance with agreed-upon equivalencies published in the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca). Courses successfully completed at recognized universities in BC and recognized colleges and universities outside BC are likewise granted credit on the basis of established equivalencies. Where no previously determined equivalent exists, courses will be assessed for transfer credit on a course-by-course basis. Students may be required to supply a course outline in order that an assessment can be made.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Unassigned Credit**

Unassigned credit may be granted where a course-to-course equivalence cannot be established. This credit may be used as elective credit. Elective credit may be either in a particular discipline (e.g., "Economics (3) credits") or in a faculty (e.g., "Arts (6) credits"). **Note:** there may be specific faculty or school requirements, as well as specific program requirements, that unassigned credit may not satisfy.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Associate Degrees**

Students with Associate Degrees of Arts or Science from a recognized college or university college in BC or the Yukon, if admitted to the Faculty of Arts or the Faculty of Science, are guaranteed full transfer credit (60 credits) for the work done for their Associate Degree. Students must still meet all 100- and 200-level course requirements for specific degree programs (e.g., majors, honours, faculty-level requirements), which may require students to take more than 120 total credits to earn their degree. Students admitted with Associate Degrees must meet the competitive admission average for the program to which they apply if this average is above the published minimum.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Credit Earned via Prior Learning Assessment or Challenge**

Credits earned via prior learning assessment (PLA), challenge credit, or the equivalent, at another recognized post-secondary institution are acceptable at UBC, provided that the course to which those credits apply is recognized by the University as suitable for transfer credit. The University accepts only PLA credits that are assigned to specific courses.

**Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Bridging Programs and Pre-Majors**

A number of UBC programs offer formal bridging or pre-major programs based on formal agreements with other post-secondary institutions. Details appear in the admission section of each program in the Faculties, Colleges, and Schools (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,0,0,0) section of the Calendar.
Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Applicants from an Institute of Technology

Advanced Standing or transfer credit for up to one full year of degree study may be granted, where appropriate.

Applicants from a Post-Secondary Institution > Appealing for Additional Credit

Students who feel an error has been made in the credit granted at the time of admission should first make a written request to Enrolment Services for a review of credit granted on admission. If not satisfied with the review decision, students should then consult the faculty or school to which they are seeking admission.

Admission to Undergraduate Programs Requiring Prior Study

Admission requirements for undergraduate programs requiring either substantial progress toward, or completion of, a prior degree are specified in entries for the faculties and schools offering these programs. Applicants are advised that in some cases a recognized prior degree may not satisfy requirements for specific pre-admission studies. See Academic Programs (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?page=programs) for more information.

Mature Applicants

In seeking to admit the best and brightest students, the University recognizes evidence of academic potential in a range of achievements and life experiences. It recognizes that those who have achieved excellence, pursued interests and activities with dedication, determination and discipline, or overcome significant hardships may have the intellectual maturity required to contribute to and benefit from degree and diploma studies at the University.

Individuals who see themselves in the above statement and who have been outside of full-time formal education for at least four years are encouraged to submit an application and supporting documents for consideration.

The University reserves the right to determine whether or not an applicant can be classified as mature. Applicants to programs with pre-requisite subjects are normally required to complete these prior to admission to the program.

Canadian Aboriginal Applicants

UBC is dedicated to making its resources more accessible to Aboriginal people, and to improving its ability to meet the educational needs of Aboriginal students. The University recognizes that Aboriginal students make valuable contributions to its learning environment and therefore invites inquiries and applications from Aboriginal candidates to all fields of study.

UBC may consider applicants who do not meet the current competitive admission cut-off set by the individual faculties and schools, but who meet the University-wide academic minimum of 70% for first-year programs or 2.0 AGPA on a 4.0 scale for applicants applying from a recognized post-secondary institution. Applicants must also satisfy program pre-requisites set by the individual faculties and schools.

Applicants who wish to be considered under this admission category must self-identify as Aboriginal upon application for admission to the University. Applicants will be considered on an individual basis by the applicable faculty or school in consultation with a representative of the First Nations House of Learning. A number of factors indicative of personal readiness to succeed at UBC will be considered.

For the purposes of application and admission to UBC, and in accordance with the Constitution Act, 1982, Part II, Section 35(2), being Schedule B to the Canada Act 1982(U.K.), 1982, c. 11, an Aboriginal applicant is an Indian, Inuit, or Métis person of Canada.

Applicants with Disabilities

Academically qualified students who have physical, sensory, or specific learning disabilities are encouraged to attend UBC. The University has a wide variety of services, including several forms of special assistance, designed to accommodate the needs of students with disabilities.

The University will ensure that applicants are not denied admission as a result of their disability and that, where appropriate, accommodation will be made with respect to admission criteria.
Prospective applicants and students with disabilities are encouraged to contact Access and Diversity ([http://students.ubc.ca/about/access](http://students.ubc.ca/about/access)). See also Student Services (Calendar page: [http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=6,310,0,0#23885](http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=6,310,0,0#23885)) for a description of the services available and to arrange access to them.

### British Columbia Youth in Care Applicants

**Admission for British Columbia Youth in Care**

UBC is dedicated to increasing access to, and participation in, post-secondary education for prospective students who are living or have lived as a child in care in British Columbia between the ages of 12 and 19 (see eligibility criteria below). UBC recognizes that a child in care may have faced challenges that may have impacted his or her education, and therefore provides a mechanism for flexibility with respect to competitive admission thresholds.

Applicants who wish to be considered under this admission category must indicate their eligibility upon application for admission to the University. Applicants will be considered on an individual basis by the applicable faculty or school. A number of factors indicative of personal readiness to succeed at UBC will be considered.

UBC may consider applicants to direct-entry undergraduate programs under this policy who meet the University's general admission requirements but who do not meet the competitive admission cut-offs set by the individual faculties and schools.

In order to be considered under this policy, applicants must fall within one or more of the following categories:

1. The applicant is or was in the continuing custody of a director or designated representative in British Columbia for at least one year between the date the applicant turned 12 years of age and the date the applicant turned 19 years of age.
2. The applicant was in the guardianship of a director in British Columbia for at least one year between the date the applicant turned 12 years of age and the date the applicant turned 19 years of age.
3. The applicant was subject to a youth agreement in British Columbia on the day prior to the date that the applicant turned 19 years of age.
4. The applicant was subject to a temporary custody order in British Columbia for a period of three years or longer between the date the applicant turned 12 years of age and the date the applicant turned 19 years of age.

For further information please contact admissions.inquiry@ubc.ca.

### Readmission

*Readmission* applies to students who have previously attended UBC. For students currently attending UBC who wish to change to a different degree program or campus, please see *Change of Degree Program* or *Change of Campus*.

Students in good academic standing who have been away from certain UBC programs for less than one academic year may qualify for academic leave and be automatically eligible to register in the same program without applying for readmission. Please see *Academic Leave* ([http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=3,289,0,0#16993](http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=3,289,0,0#16993)) for more information.

Former UBC students whose automatic eligibility to register has expired must apply for readmission online at the Student Service Centre ([http://students.ubc.ca/ssc](http://students.ubc.ca/ssc)) (under Admissions) and pay a non-refundable application fee ([http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/Vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,297,0,0](http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/Vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,297,0,0)).

Eligibility for readmission to the same degree program at the same campus will be assessed on the basis of an applicant's performance in the last Winter Session at UBC.

Eligibility for readmission to a different degree program (at the same or a different campus) will be assessed on the basis of an applicant's ability to meet the minimum competitive admission average and any specific course requirements of the program to which the student is applying. Applicants must be in good academic standing.

Students who were required to withdraw may be required to submit a letter of appeal with their application for readmission. Please see an academic advisor or a program advisor for any additional program-specific readmission requirements.

All applicants for readmission who have attended other post-secondary institutions since leaving UBC must submit transcripts of that study for assessment.

Students readmitted to a different program may transfer a maximum of 60 credits applicable to the new degree program.

Applicants who have completed a bachelor's degree at UBC and who are readmitted to a second bachelor's degree program must meet the program requirements specific for degree holders. Please see an academic advisor or a program advisor for more information.
Academic evaluations are based on the average of the most recent courses attempted, including any failed and repeated courses, to a maximum of 30 credits unless otherwise prescribed by the program to which a student is applying. In cases where counting back 30 credits lands in the middle of an academic term, the average of that term will be used for the remaining required credits to reach the total of 30. Please see youbc Vancouver (http://you.ubc.ca) for more information.

Change of Degree Program

Change of Degree Program applies to students who are currently attending UBC and wish to change to a different program at the same campus.

Current undergraduate students who wish to change to a different campus, please see Change of Campus.

Undergraduate students who have previously attended UBC and wish to return, please see Readmission.

Currently attending undergraduate UBC students who wish to change to a different degree program at the same campus must be in good academic standing and must meet the University minimum average of 60% or 2.0 grade point average based on the last 30 credits. Some programs may require a higher minimum competitive admission average and program specific course requirements.

Students on academic probation and those who have been required to withdraw from their faculty due to poor academic performance, are not normally eligible to change degree programs, but applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

UBC undergraduate students who wish to change to a different program must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student Service Centre (http://students.ubc.ca/ssc) (under Registration) and pay a non-refundable application fee (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/Vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,297,0,0).

Undergraduate students may transfer a maximum of 60 credits applicable to the new program.

Academic evaluations are based on the average of the most recent courses attempted, including any failed or repeated courses, to a maximum of 30 credits unless otherwise prescribed by the program to which a student is applying. In cases where counting back 30 credits lands in the middle of an academic term, the average of that term will be used for the remaining credits required to reach the total of 30. Please see youbc Vancouver (http://you.ubc.ca) for more information.

Change of Campus

Change of Campus applies to students who are currently attending UBC and who wish to change from the UBC Vancouver campus to the UBC Okanagan campus, or vice versa, with the exception of students in the Bachelor of Applied Science program.

Current students who wish to change to a different program at the same campus, please see Change of Degree Program.

Students who are not currently attending UBC and wish to return, please see Readmission.

Bachelor of Applied Science students who wish to change campuses should contact either Engineering Student Services at the Vancouver campus or the Student Development Officer within the School of Engineering at the Okanagan campus.

Currently attending UBC students who wish to change campus must be in good academic standing and meet the minimum competitive admission average based on the last 30 credits and any program specific course requirements at the new campus.

Students on academic probation and those who have been required to discontinue from their faculty due to poor academic performance, are not normally eligible to change campuses, but applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Students who wish to change campus must complete the Change of Degree Program/Campus form on the Student Service Centre (http://students.ubc.ca/ssc) (under Registration) and pay a non-refundable application fee (http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/Vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,297,0,0).

Students may transfer a maximum of 60 credits applicable to the new program at the new campus unless registered in a special inter-campus program.

Academic evaluations are based on the average of the most recent courses attempted, including any failed or repeated courses, to a maximum of 30 credits unless otherwise prescribed by the program to which a student is applying. In cases where counting back 30 credits lands in the middle of an academic term, the average of that term will be used for the remaining credits required to reach the total of 30. Please see youbc Vancouver (http://you.ubc.ca) for more information.
Deferred Admission

UBC recognizes that students may encounter opportunities or circumstances that could result in a request for deferred admission. Applicants who are offered admission to full-time study in the first year of a degree program may request a deferral for one year (or two years in cases of mandatory military service).

Deferred Admission for Graduate Students:
Please see Deferred Admission (http://www.grad.ubc.ca/faculty-staff/policies-procedures/deferred-admission) on the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies website.

Deferred Admission for Undergraduate Students:
To be eligible for a deferral, the applicant must:

- Accept the offer of admission by paying a non-refundable registration deposit; and
- Submit an Admission Deferral Request to Undergraduate Admissions by July 15, or 30 days after an offer of admission, whichever is later.

Deferral will not be available to applicants who wish to attend another post-secondary institution. Applicants who attend another institution during their deferral will lose their guaranteed space and will have to reapply for admission.

Deferral may not be possible for students seeking admission to limited enrolment programs.

Students who are granted permission to defer their admission will still have to satisfy any conditions of the admission offer, such as completion of courses in progress, maintenance of a satisfactory admission average, and graduation from secondary school. They must apply to take up the deferred offer by the application deadline of the following year. They must register in the program and at the campus to which they were admitted or will be required to re-apply and compete with the new applicant pool for a space.

Registration in a Course or Program

Registration is the process of formally assigning and recording the enrolment of a student, usually in a course or courses. Registration is available only to those students who have received an offer of admission or readmission, or to students continuing from term to the following term.

Students register using the Student Service Centre (http://students.ubc.ca/ssc). Certain courses and sections may be restricted.

New students, and students who have applied for readmission to the University, will receive an offer of admission and an information package.

All undergraduate students who are newly admitted to the University must pay a non-refundable deposit to confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission before they can register for the first time.

Continuing undergraduate students are required to pay a non-refundable deposit before they can register for the first time for any session. Students must pay any overdue amount in full before paying their deposit.

For further information regarding deposits, see Deposits (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=14,265,0,0#17933). Deposits will be credited in full toward any assessed fees.

All students must pay their current fee instalment in full by the due date.

Students can register through the Student Service Centre (http://students.ubc.ca/ssc).

Admission Appeals

Appeals on Undergraduate Admission or Readmission Decisions

For graduate appeal procedures, please see the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies section on admission (Calendar page: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,204,340,1607#23627).

Applications are screened carefully by Enrolment Services in accordance with Senate and faculty admission policies. Applicants who believe that they have been unjustly denied admission or readmission to a program due to an error in process or who believe that they deserve special consideration due to
mitigating circumstances should discuss the matter with their Admissions Evaluator immediately upon receipt of their final admission or readmission decision. If a satisfactory resolution cannot be achieved, the applicant may submit a written appeal to Enrolment Services for review by the applicant's faculty or school responsible for the program to which the applicant has been refused. In some instances, as detailed below, appeal cases will be reviewed by the Senate Admissions Committee. Appeals on admission or readmission decisions will be considered on applications for the current year only and must be submitted within 14 calendar days of the date of issue on the notification of an admission or readmission decision.

The appeal form (http://senate.ubc.ca/sites/senate.ubc.ca/files/downloads/Admissions%20appeal%20form_1.pdf) (and appeal processing fee) along with (a) a letter of appeal outlining the reasons for the appeal and the circumstances relating to the appeal, and (b) any relevant supporting documents (see appeal form for details) must be submitted in one complete package to webforms.students.ubc.ca/admission-decision-appeal by the deadline.

All appeals on admission or readmission decisions are sent by Enrolment Services to the faculty or school responsible for the program to which the applicant has been refused.

Based on whether or not the applicant has satisfied all relevant University-level admission standards as described in the policies and official regulations of the Academic Calendar, two routes are possible:

1. If the applicant satisfies the admission standards, yet the faculty or school denies the appeal, then Enrolment Services will ask if the applicant (appellant) wishes to have their appeal package forwarded to the Senate Admissions Committee for review. The applicant has five calendar days to respond. The Committee may allow an appeal where it decides that a faculty or school may have overlooked or misinterpreted information provided by the appellant, arrived at a decision without reasonable consideration of mitigating circumstances, or acted contrary to the faculty’s published procedures. The decision of the Committee will be communicated in writing to the appellant and to the dean of the faculty or school. The Committee’s decision is final.

2. If the applicant does not satisfy the admission standards, then the faculty or school’s decision and comments, in addition to the appeal package, are automatically forwarded by Enrolment Services to the Senate Admissions Committee for review. The decision of the Committee will be communicated in writing to the appellant and to the dean of the faculty or school. The Committee’s decision is final.

Appeals on Revoked Admission Offers

Confirmation of the conditions of admission offers are reviewed carefully by Enrolment Services in accordance with Senate and faculty admission policies. Applicants who believe that their conditional offer of admission has been unjustly revoked due to an error in the process or who believe that they deserve special consideration due to mitigating circumstances can appeal this decision. Appeals on revocations must be submitted within 14 calendar days of the revocation decision email notifying that the offer of admission has been revoked.

The appeal form (http://senate.ubc.ca/sites/senate.ubc.ca/files/downloads/Admissions%20revocation%20appeal%20form_1.pdf) (and appeal processing fee) along with (a) a letter of appeal outlining the reasons for the appeal and the circumstances relating to the appeal, and (b) any relevant supporting documents (see appeal form for details) must be submitted in one complete package to webforms.students.ubc.ca/admission-decision-appeal by the deadline.

All appeals on revoked admission offers are sent by Enrolment Services to the faculty or school for review. If the faculty or school decides to reinstate the offer of admission and the applicant has satisfied all relevant University-level admission standards as described in the policies and official regulations of the Academic Calendar, Enrolment Services ensures that the offer is reinstated.

If the faculty or school decides to support the reinstatement of the offer, but the applicant does not satisfy the relevant University-level admission standards, then Enrolment Services forwards the complete appeal package, with the faculty or school’s decision and comments, to the Senate Admissions Committee for review.

If the faculty upholds the revocation, then the complete appeal package, with the faculty or school’s decision and comments, are forwarded by Enrolment Services to the Senate Admissions Committee for review.

The Committee may allow an appeal where it decides that a faculty or school may have overlooked or misinterpreted information provided by the applicant, arrived at a decision without reasonable consideration of mitigating circumstances, or acted contrary to the faculty’s published procedures.

The decision of the Committee will be communicated in writing to the applicant (appellant) and to the dean of the faculty or school. The Committee’s decision is final.

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