CONTACT INFORMATION

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Scholarship and financial aid	Financial Aid & Awards: financialaidinfo@viu.ca 250.740.6423	viu.ca/financial-aid
Campus tours	campustour@viu.ca Campus Tour Bookings
Web address	Website: viu.ca Future Student Website: viu.ca/future-students Out of Province Student Website: connect.viu.ca/viu-out-province-students

INSTITUTION INFORMATION

Program highlights	At VIU, your students will be supported every step of the way. With an average first-year class size of 35, our faculty get to know students by name and bring learning to life through hands-on experiences. We offer a strong network of supports to help them succeed, even when things get tough. Along the way, they'll discover how to make a difference—in their careers,

	their communities, and beyond. Art, Design & Performing Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences, Trades & Applied Technology, Health & Human Services, Education Business Management Tourism, Recreation and Hospitality Management Science & Technology (Fisheries, Forestry, Resource Management, Engineering)
Student population	**13,000 full-time and part-time learners**
Co-op programs	co-op: Fisheries & Aquaculture Hospitality Management Bachelor of Hospitality Management Recreation & Sport Management Tourism Studies Bachelor of Tourism Management Engineering Computing Science Culinary Arts (Certificate & Diploma) Internships: Bachelor of Arts (3rd Year) Criminology Creative Writing Interior Design Graphic Design Master of Business Administration Bachelor of Kinesiology Philosophy Bachelor of Tourism Management (3rd Year) Bachelor of Hospitality Management (3rd Year) Business Administration

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Minimum Alberta admission requirements	Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Business Administration, and Bachelor of Science – General Admission Requirements: Graduation from a Canadian secondary school, or equivalent, with a minimum 50% in ELA 30-1. In addition:

	Bachelor of Business Administration requires Math 20-1 or 20-2 with a minimum 50% Bachelor of Science (Majors & Minors) require Math 30-1 with a minimum 70%. Additional course prerequisites may include Biology 20/30, Chemistry 20/30, and Physics 20 with Physics 30 recommended all with a minimum 65%. All other programs have specific admission requirements. Please refer to viu.ca/calendar for more information.
Admission requirements online	viu.ca/admissions
English language proficiency requirements	Please visit: English Language Proficiency
Minimum admission average	Varies by program
Conditional admissions process	Accepted based on the condition a student meets the admission requirements
IB credit information	VIU has established equivalencies between IB courses and the British Columbia provincial K-12 curriculum. Additionally, courses at the Standard Level (SL) and the Higher Level (HL) may be awarded post-secondary credit. Students with IB courses may receive undergraduate credit as follows: •A maximum of 30 credits will be awarded for IB courses. •Specific course equivalencies will be awarded where appropriate. Unassigned credits will be given where specific equivalencies within the course's subject(s) are not suitable. •IB credits will be noted as such on the students' respective transcripts (permanent records).
AP credit information	The maximum amount of advance credit to be granted on the basis of AP courses is 30 credits. A grade of 4 or higher on the exam is required for credit consideration. Courses with exam grades of 3 or less will not be eligible for credit or advance standing.
Policy on repeated courses	N/A
Policy on summer school, night	Courses must be completed, and marks submitted by

school, online courses, and correspondence courses	July 31, 2026.
Treatment of out-of-province high school courses from schools such as Blyth or MEI	These courses will be assessed. We recommend that students use the [Provincial Equivalencies Website.](#)
Application deadline	January 31, 2026– Bachelor of Science in Nursing March 31, 2026 – Most other programs
Application fee	$46.06
Timing of offers/grades used	Program Dependant
Deferral policy	Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science and Exploratory applicants can defer for one year

RESIDENCE INFORMATION

Residence options	Traditional Singles, Modern Singles and Modern Doubles
Residence application deadline	May 1, 2026.. Late applications will be accepted and put on the waitlist.
Guaranteed residence?	First Year Priority https://residences.viu.ca/priority-room-offer
Room deposit fee	$100 Application Fee; $250 Damage Deposit; $500 Room Deposit
Can you apply online?	Student number required to submit application: viu.ca/residence. Applications open right after our return from Winter-break (January)

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarship information website	viu.ca/entrance-awards
Number of scholarships awarded	$6.7M in VIU scholarships, awards and bursaries and grants. External Scholarships available
Scholarship application deadline	March 30, 2026 via Scholarship, Award and Bursary Profile in student record. Blanket application for

	internal awards.
Decision criteria	Varies by scholarship
Guaranteed scholarship program	No

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Treatment of diploma marks	Higher of the two. ELA 30-1 - blended
Transcript requirements	Submitted through Alberta myPass
Tuition differentials	Arts: ~$5300; Sciences: ~ $6200; INT'L Students: ~$18,300
Treatment of second choice program(s)	Students also recommended to apply to Exploratory University Studies if applying to Limited Entry programs such as Nursing, Kinesiology, RMOT, Engineering

NEW INSTITUTION UPDATES/HIGHLIGHTS

New Residence Building:
Construction is well underway on new student housing at our Nanaimo campus. This project will add 266 new student beds, along with a common area and dining hall, greatly enhancing our students' living and learning environment. This building is expected to open in fall of 2027.

Bachelor of Business Administration:
Students can now complete the first two years online.

Information Technology and Applied Systems Diploma:
This program has now added Systems Administration and Cybersecurity as a stream.

ENGINEERING & NURSING REQUIREMENTS

Engineering:
- ELA 30-1 with a minimum grade of 50%
- Physics 30-1 with a minimum grade of 65%
- Chemistry 30-1 with a minimum grade of 65%

- •   Math 30-1 with a minimum grade of 70%

Notes on Admission:
- •   Admission is based on GPA rankings.
- •   Students who meet or exceed the minimum admission requirements may not necessarily be admitted to the program.
- •   Lowest admission GPA for Fall 2024 – 2.67

Bachelor of Science in Nursing:
- •   Chemistry 20-1 and Biology 30-1 with a minimum grade of 65%
- •   ELA 30-1 with a minimum grade of 50%
- •   Math 20-1 or Math 30-2 with a minimum grade of 70%
- •   Completion of CASPer test.

Notes on Admission:
- •   Admission rankings are determined by a combination of GPA (60%) and completion of the CASPer test (40%).
- •   GPA for Fall 2024 intake was between 3.58-4.33, plus CASPer results.