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Summer Programs for High School Students

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Overview of the Programs

A Life-Changing Learning Experience

UBC Continuing Studies offers two summer programs for high school students designed for different age groups:

- a two-week program with an English-language focus for 13- to 15-year-old high school students, and
- a two-week or four-week pre-university program for 15- to 18-year-old high school students with a choice of two themes.

Both programs give students an introduction to a North American university environment and help them develop English speaking, listening and presentation skills.

Students follow an intensive curriculum modeled on university learning, and are given valuable exposure to post-secondary education at the highest level. The program is focused and challenging, exposing students to the core elements of a UBC education. Students learn team building and communication skills from daily classes, educational excursions, and focused seminars presented by UBC faculty members.

Students can expect to achieve the following learning objectives for each program:

- enhance English-language proficiency in classrooms and real-life settings
- improve cultural appreciation and understanding in a Canadian context
- develop a preliminary understanding of Canadian university life.

Program Details

- All programs include a welcome orientation and a guided tour of the UBC campus.
- Mornings are spent in English language classes that use a thematic approach; afternoons focus on cultural activities and local excursions to broaden the students' experience in Vancouver.
- Classes are taught by qualified and experienced UBC instructors.



- The curriculum focuses on communication skills, critical thinking, presentation skills, team building, leadership training and career planning.
- UBC faculty members speak to students about the disciplines within their faculties as well as future career possibilities.
- UBC Continuing Studies staff provides ongoing support to students while in the program.
- Students have access to UBC facilities including libraries, wireless Internet, athletics and recreation facilities.

Note: Students are expected to attend all the classes and activities in order to be eligible to receive the Award of Completion for the Experience University Life at UBC Program.

Program Admission Requirements

- Students must have reached the minimum age for each program before the program start.
- English level: Students should be fairly competent speakers of English. However, they may still need systematic improvement in pronunciation, grammatical structures and complex sentence formation.
- Students must supply a recommendation letter from an English teacher that includes a description of the student's language ability.

Note: Successful completion of the program does not guarantee admission to undergraduate programs at UBC or any other post-secondary institution. Admission to these programs is controlled by individual institutions' standards and policies. For more information about admission to undergraduate programs at UBC, view you.ubc.ca.



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About the University of British Columbia

Founded in 1908, the University of British Columbia (UBC) has developed a reputation for innovation and excellence in both teaching and research and has become a leader in higher education in Canada. UBC consistently ranks among the top 30 universities in the world.

UBC educates a student population of over 50,000 on major campuses in two cities. The programs take place at the UBC Vancouver campus, situated between the Pacific Ocean and Pacific Spirit Regional Park, in a spectacular natural setting.

As an academic unit of the university, UBC Continuing Studies has served the education needs of lifelong learners in Vancouver and beyond since 1936. We have over two thousand international student registrations each year in our courses, seminars and programs. Our programmers and instructors have the expertise and knowledge to prepare students for study at North American universities.

About Vancouver

With a population of just over two million people, Vancouver is British Columbia's largest and Canada's third largest city. Despite its size, Vancouver is considered a safe city with clean streets and pleasant residential neighbourhoods.

Vancouver is bordered by ocean and rivers on three sides and is located at the foot of the beautiful Cascade Mountain Range. Pristine beaches and one of the largest urban parks in North America provide excellent opportunities to walk, rollerblade, or cycle along the sea. At nearby mountains, you can even ski in the summer and hike or mountain bike all year round.

Vancouver is a diverse city and is home to people of many different nationalities. Participants have the opportunity to meet students from other parts of the world and enjoy new foods and experiences that may not be available in their home countries.









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Summer Program for 13- to 15-Year-Old Students

July 15-26, 2013

This program for 13- to 15-year-old students is a single, two-week offering with courses, activities and excursions scheduled Monday to Friday.

Program Theme: Critical Thinking and Sustainability Awareness

Students learn speaking, listening and presentation skills in this English language-focused program. Practice exercises focus on critical thinking and the history of sustainability. Students choose a topic area to research, and share their findings in a final presentation to the class, learning valuable skills in the process.

Schedule for Critical Thinking and Sustainability Awareness

Week 1	Morning (9am-12noon)	Afternoon (1-4pm)
Jul 15	Program Orientation	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Introduction to Canada and Multiculturalism	
Jul 16	Interactive English Program Focused on Speaking, Listening and Presentation Skills	Campus Tour
	Theme: Critical Thinking	Multicultural Forum
Jul 17	Understanding the Pre-University Academic Program:	Excursion: Museum of
	Science/Commerce/Arts Streams	Anthropology at UBC
	Understanding the High School Curriculum	
Jul 18	Interactive English Program Focused on Speaking, Listening and Presentation Skills	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Critical Thinking	
Jul 19	Interactive English Program Focused on Speaking, Listening and Presentation Skills	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Critical Thinking	
Week	2 Morning (9am-12noon)	Afternoon (1-4pm)
Jul 22	Interactive English Program Focused on Speaking, Listening and Presentation Skills	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Sustainability Awareness	
Jul 23	Interactive English Program Focused on Speaking, Listening and Presentation Skills	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Sustainability Awareness	
Jul 24	Team Projects	Excursions/Cultural Activities
Jul 25	Team Projects	Excursions/Cultural Activities
Jul 26	Presentations and Evaluations	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Personal Reflection and Self-Awareness	

Curriculum subject to change.



Summer Program for 15- to 18-Year-Old Students

July 8-19, 2013 and/or July 22-August 2, 2013

Choose from either a two-week or a four-week package. Courses, activities and excursions take place Monday to Friday.

Program Theme: Critical Thinking and Pre-University

July 8-19, 2013

Students in this program theme develop their English speaking and listening abilities by using practice exercises that focus on critical thinking skills. Options for pre-university preparation will be covered with a full explanation of the UBC undergraduate admission process. As part of the program, students complete High School Vocational Testing, which includes a one-hour session of individual career counselling with a registered counsellor to help them identify their vocational direction and uncover their potential. As a final project, students choose a topic to research, and then share their findings in a presentation to the class.

Note: If students are registered for the four-week program, they will participate in a revised curriculum schedule to ensure material is not repeated.

Week 1	Morning (9am-12noon)	Afternoon (1-4pm)
Jul 8	Program Orientation	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Introduction to Canada and Multiculturalism	
Jul 9	High School Vocational Testing	Campus Tour
		Multicultural Forum
Jul 10	Speaking and Listening Skills	Excursion: Museum of Anthropology at
	Critical Thinking: Media Literacy	UBC
	Theme: Critical Thinking on First Nations Studies	
Jul 11	Speaking and Listening Skills: Common Mistakes, Structure and Writing Styles	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Critical Thinking on Consumerism	
Jul 12	Presentation Skills	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Critical Thinking – The Connections Between Theory and Practice	
Week 2	2 Morning (9am-12noon)	Afternoon (1-4pm)
Jul 15	One-to-One Career Counselling, Career Planning Activities	One-to-One Career Counselling, Career Planning Activities
Jul 16	One-to-One Career Counselling, Career Planning Activities	One-to-One Career Counselling, Career Planning Activities
Jul 17	Understanding the Pre-University Academic Program: Science/Commerce/Arts Streams	Excursions/Cultural Activities
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	Team Project	
Jul 18	Team Project	Excursions/Cultural Activities
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Schedule for Critical Thinking and Pre-University

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Program Theme: Leadership and Sustainability Awareness

July 22-August 2, 2013

Students in this program theme develop their individual and group leadership abilities while examining the history of sustainability, including food and energy conservation. Speaking, listening and writing skills are also covered in the curriculum. As part of the program, students complete High School Vocational Testing, which includes a one-hour individual career counselling session with a registered counsellor to help them identify their vocational direction and uncover their potential. As a final project, students choose a topic to research, and share their findings in a presentation to the class.

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Jul 22	Program Orientation	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Introduction to Canada and Multiculturalism	
Jul 23	High School Vocational Testing	Campus Tour
		Multicultural Forum
Jul 24	Understanding the Concepts of Leadership, People Skills, Problem Solving Skills	Excursions: Rock Climbing or UBC Ropes Course
	Theme: Individual Leadership	
Jul 25	Understanding the Coaching Skills for Leaders, Team Building and Conflict Management	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Theme: Group Leadership	
Jul 26	A Brief History of Sustainability	Excursions/Cultural Activities
	Understanding the Productive and Protective Ecosystems	
	Theme: Sustainability Awareness	
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Schedule for Leadership and Sustainability Awareness

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Program Dates

Summer Program for 13- to 15-Year-Old Students

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Program Theme: Critical Thinking and Sustainability Awareness July 15-26, 2013

Summer Program for 15- to 18-Year-Old Students

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Program Theme: Leadership and Sustainability Awareness July 22-August 2, 2013



Program Fees

CAN\$2,250/student for a two-week program.

Note: A deposit of CAN\$1125 is required to be submitted by March 31st Full payment is due by May 31st Deposit and program fee are non-refundable

Class Size

- Minimum class size: 15 students per program
- Maximum class size: 25 students per program

What is not included in the Program Fee?

- Evening and weekend activities
- Accommodation
- Local Transportation services to UBC Point Grey campus and UBC Robson Square
- Airfare from your home country if applicable
- Travel/Medical insurance and VISA application fees if applicable

For more information

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Experience University Life at UBC APPLICATION FORM

Name of Student

Last Name (English)		First Name (English)		
Last Name (In other Language) Name of Parent or Guardia		First Name (In other Language)		
Last Name (English)		First Name (English)	-	
Last Name (In other Language)		First Name (In other Language)	-	
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Apt/Unit #	Street	City		
Province	Country	Postal Code	-	
Contact Information				
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Home Telephone		Mobile		
Email		Age of Student	-	

Please mail application form, recommendation letter and cheque, made payable to University of British Columbia:

Attention: Dan Fortier, UBC Continuing Studies, 1400-800 Robson Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 3B7, Canada

For credit card payment, please call +1.604.822.8080

