

UBC'S OKANAGAN CAMPUS

YOUR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE DESTINATION

GETTING HERE

Kelowna and the Okanagan Valley are located in the southern interior of British Columbia, just over 200 km (120 miles) north of the US border and over 400 km (250 miles) from the Vancouver campus.

By air: Kelowna is a one-hour flight from Vancouver, Calgary, or Seattle. UBC's Okanagan campus is just a few minutes away from the Kelowna International Airport (YLW).

By car: from the Vancouver campus, it takes about five hours to drive to UBC's Okanagan campus.

By transit: UBC's Okanagan campus is easy to access via transit, with routes to/from Kelowna, Rutland, the North Okanagan, and West Kelowna.

OKANAGAN REGION

Living at UBC's Okanagan campus — the heart of the Okanagan Valley — means having access to the best that British Columbia has to offer.

The Okanagan Valley is blessed with a semi-arid climate. In summer, weather is hot and sunny (Kelowna in July averages 300.5 hours of sunshine) with daytime temperatures often exceeding 35 °C (95 °F). Growing conditions are ideal for tree-borne fruits — apples, pears, peaches, apricots, cherries, plums. Grapes also thrive here: the Okanagan wine industry is recognized worldwide and wine touring and tasting opportunities can be found throughout the region.

Okanagan Lake's clear waters and sandy beaches provide a picturesque setting for wakeboarding, kitesurfing, SUP boarding, waterskiing, sailing, rowing, beach volleyball, and more. The Okanagan is also home to Skaha Bluffs, a world-famous rock climbing destination.

CITY OF KELOWNA

UBC's Okanagan campus is located a 20-minute bus ride from downtown Kelowna, cultural hub and popular tourist destination in the Okanagan Valley.

A growing city with a population of almost 120,000, Kelowna is large enough to be diverse and interesting yet small enough to have a strong community of friendly people.

It is also British Columbia's "four-season playground," a jumping-off point from which students can explore Okanagan Lake and the surrounding Canadian landscapes any time of the year. Stunning ski hills, beautiful beaches, sunny skies, outstanding orchards — Kelowna has it all!



Situated in one of the most scenic regions of Canada, our campus offers students an intimate learning environment, opportunities for region-centred research, international perspectives, and more.



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ACADEMICS

Purpose-built for the 21st century, UBC's Okanagan campus opened in 2005. As of September 2012, over 8,300 students from throughout the Okanagan region, across Canada, and 80 other countries are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs in eight faculties and schools.

With \$11.7 million in annual research funding, more than 480 research projects underway, and nearly 1.5 million sq. ft. of academic, social, and residential space, the Okanagan campus is earning a reputation as an important, respected centre of learning and research, enhancing knowledge creation and innovation in our region and around the world.

It's an intimate learning community where students interact with one another and their professors on a daily basis. It offers a campus life rich with opportunities to build cultural and social connections and to learn, grow, and express yourself.

Incoming exchange students can engage in a wide range of academic courses from the following faculties: Arts and Sciences, Health and Social Development, Applied Science, Creative and Critical Studies, and Management.



RESIDENCE LIFE

Residence living at UBC's Okanagan campus supports you academically and socially, giving you unique opportunities to meet creative, intelligent people and develop lifetime friendships.

Our campus community currently houses almost 1,700 students in a wide variety of accommodations: fully-furnished single rooms, semi-suites, quad units, studios, and one-bedroom apartments. Some residences have cooking facilities, while others offer a meal plan.

Accommodation on campus is guaranteed if you apply by the deadline. For full details, please see ubc.ca/okanagan/students/global/housing

THE CAMPUS

UBC's Okanagan campus is a young, exciting, and rapidly growing university nestled in the middle of the stunning Okanagan Valley.

Its diverse campus community is active and close-knit, with many clubs, societies, and social opportunities providing ways to get involved.

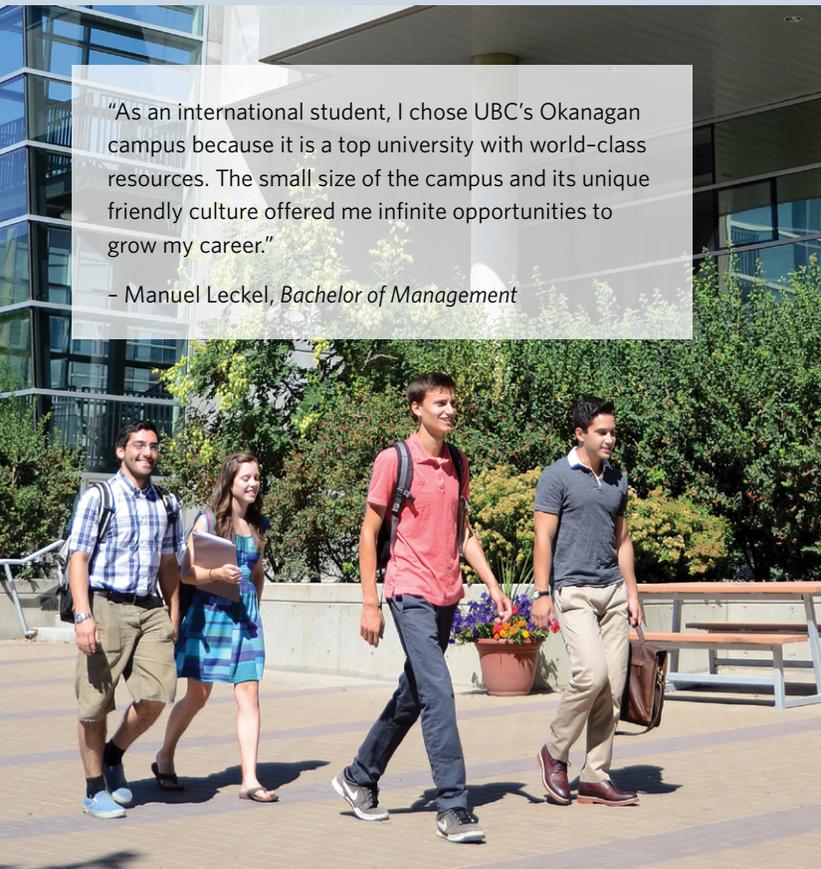
With small class sizes, it is easy to connect with professors who are often on first-name terms with students. UBC's Okanagan campus also provides numerous opportunities for student involvement in research and hands-on experience in our abundant fields of study.

Learn more about UBC's Okanagan campus at ubc.ca/okanagan

HOW TO APPLY

Application deadlines are in early March. Make Kelowna and UBC's Okanagan campus your destination for a fantastic exchange experience!

For complete details, please visit ubc.ca/okanagan/students/global/incoming



"As an international student, I chose UBC's Okanagan campus because it is a top university with world-class resources. The small size of the campus and its unique friendly culture offered me infinite opportunities to grow my career."

– Manuel Leckel, *Bachelor of Management*



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