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UNBC UNIVERSITY OF
NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Future Student Viewbook

**A UNIVERSITY
LIKE NO
OTHER**



CONNECT WITH US



UNBC is an extraordinary place filled with tremendous academic opportunities.

This handbook is filled with information about programs and various student services, designed to show you how attending UNBC can shape your future.

UNBC's intense focus on research combined with our small class sizes means our students have the opportunity to engage with faculty on cutting-edge research projects while earning their undergraduate degree. Our students, faculty, staff, and alumni are all

making meaningful contributions to society and the communities we serve. We're looking to create the next generation of leaders; are you ready to become one of them?

Join us at UNBC – our community will make you feel welcome the moment you set foot on campus, and help you become the leader I know you are.

Daniel Weeks, President and Vice-Chancellor

Daniel J. Weeks

weekly
**Farmers'
Market**



PRINCE GEORGE
CAMPUS
AT A GLANCE

No building on campus is
taller
than the trees in the
surrounding forest



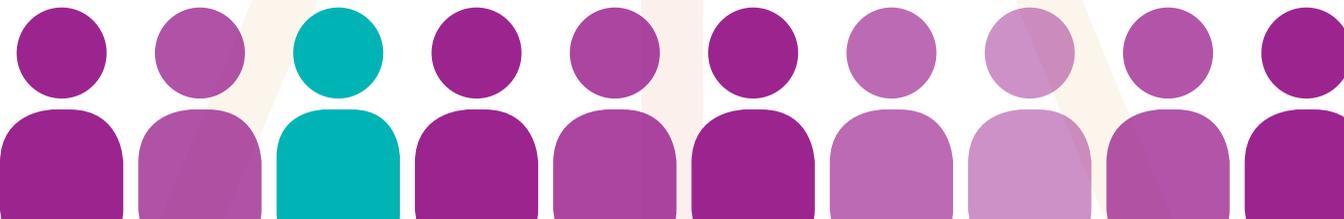
LONGEST

indoor track

in British Columbia



1:9
Faculty to student ratio





EXPERIENCE NORTHERN B.C.

Paddle on countless rivers and lakes with your canoe or kayak. Climb the jagged Rocky Mountains.

Shift gears and tackle challenging mountain bike trails.

Strap on your skis and glide along the best cross-country ski trails in Northern B.C. at Otway Nordic Centre. Those who want more of a test can visit downhill ski resorts just minutes away.

No matter your passions, Northern B.C. has

it all – in spring, summer, fall or winter – all within city limits or just a short drive away. From the Peace country all the way to the coastal rain forest.

UNBC has campuses located throughout the North, and students have access to incredible recreation and natural wilderness, minutes from each campus community.

Prince George, where UNBC's main campus is located, is Northern B.C.'s largest city, home to an amazing variety of cultural and entertainment venues and unique restaurants.

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LEARNING & LIFE AT UNBC

UNBC is big enough to offer a wide array of courses to suit your interests and meet your academic needs, yet small enough to ensure you have the opportunity to stand out. You can participate in ground-breaking research as early as your first year. We have some of the smallest class sizes in the country. Applied education is the focus of many of our degree programs; you'll work in regional communities and apply coursework to real scenarios. And students take part in local and international field schools, and travel abroad in our Exchange Programs.

Residence

UNBC student residences provide a convenient and safe living environment. You'll have a private, fully furnished bedroom in a small apartment-style unit with a shared bathroom. Wireless internet, utilities, and local phones are included. Laundry facilities,

and common lounges, featuring big-screen TVs, leather couches, and a pool table or table tennis, are just steps away.

Food Services

There is no shortage of food services available on campus, including a student-run pub, snack outlets, and "grab-and-go" options.

The UNBC Dining Hall is terrific, featuring all-you-care-to-eat access. One admission fee and you're in. In addition, the 7-Day Meal Plan provides students with unlimited access to a variety of healthy and nutritious food options.

And let's face it – coffee is king. Degrees, the student-run coffee shop, has two locations. We have an on-campus Tim Hortons. And Central Perc offers gourmet, fresh-roasted, fair trade organic coffee.

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85%

Average entering grade from high school

Countless opportunities to participate in ground-breaking research.

A man with a beard and glasses is sitting in a radio studio. He is wearing a grey cap and a brown sweater. There are microphones in front of him. In the background, there is a corkboard with some papers and a sign that says "95.1".

**Life at UNBC
is fun, supportive,
and social.**

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**ski hills within
45 minutes of the city.**



81%

of UNBC grads work in fields related to their program.

**Big enough to offer
the program you want,
yet small enough
that you won't get lost
in the crowd.**

**Live in residence,
just 207 steps from
the ♥ of campus.**

18

**countries with
exchange opportunities**





CANADA'S GREEN UNIVERSITY

Green is UNBC's official colour – and way of life. UNBC students operate a compost garden, and buy locally grown food at UNBC's weekly Farmers' Market.

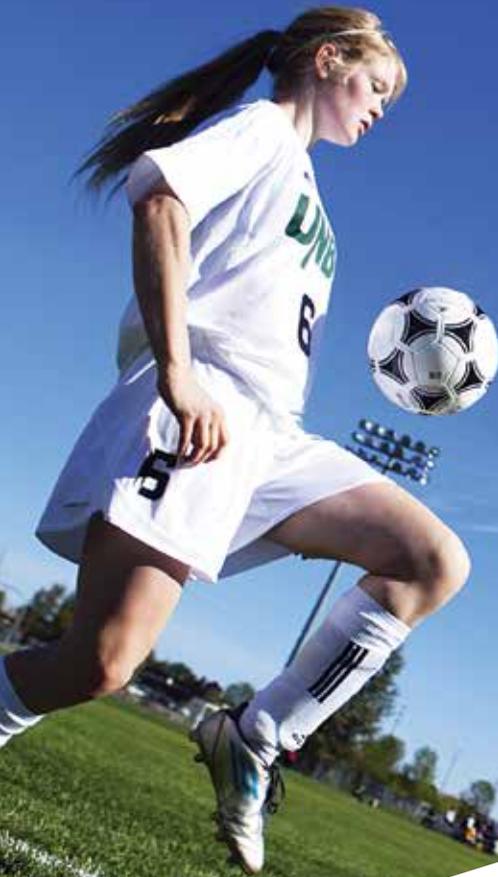
Since 2011, we've been reducing our own carbon footprint with our award-winning Bioenergy plant. It heats the main campus, residence buildings, the campus Child Care Centre and I.K. Barber Enhanced Forestry Lab by using waste from a local sawmill,

and has already reduced the University's consumption of fossil fuels.

We honour our environment with our campus architecture, the focus of our teaching and research, and the initiatives of our staff, faculty, and students. Situated amongst a tremendous natural laboratory, there's no better place to learn about natural resources, environmental sustainability, and community vitality.

unbc.ca/green





TIMBERWOLVES ATHLETICS

Howl with the Timberwolves

The UNBC Timberwolves basketball and soccer teams compete against the top teams in Canada as part of the Canada West conference of Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS).

Our varsity athletes are exceptional students and leaders in the classroom too, often taking home Academic All-Star honours as they strive towards earning their degrees.



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INDOOR & OUTDOOR RECREATION

Prince George boasts impressive sports facilities that hosted the 2015 Canada Winter Games. A four-season climate ensures people can golf, play tennis, speed skate, and snowshoe. Cheer on the Cougars (our WHL team), the Spruce Kings (our BCHL team), go fishing, or float down the Nechako River at least once while you're here.

A Sport Centre for the North

The Charles Jago Northern Sport Centre has an elevated track surrounding the facility and FIFA-approved turf in our field house, which makes

it one of the most impressive sport facilities in B.C. You don't have to be a varsity athlete to play sports at UNBC; the intramural league is vibrant, offering many different sports.

Outdoor Activities 24/7/365

For outdoor recreation, Prince George is full of parks and nature trails. In fact, more than 50 km of trails surround campus, and offer some of the best mountain biking and trail running in the city. Winter sport options are plentiful; Nordic skiing is nearby and three ski hills are within 45 minutes of campus.

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PROGRAMS

Bachelor's Degrees

**Honours Offered*

Arts (BA)

Anthropology*
Economics
English
Environmental Studies
First Nations Studies
General Arts
Geography
Global and International Studies
History*
Nature-Based Tourism Management*
Northern Studies
Political Science
Public Administration and Community
Development
Women's Studies

Commerce (BComm)

Accounting*
Finance*
General Business*
Human Resources Management*
International Business*
Marketing*

Education (BEd)

Elementary (K-7)
Secondary (8-12)

Health Sciences (BHSc)

Biomedical Studies*
Community and Population Health:
Aboriginal and Rural Health*
Community and Population Health:
Environmental Health*

Science (BSc)

Biology*
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*
Chemistry*
Computer Science*
Environmental Science*
Geography
Integrated Science
Mathematics*
Natural Resources Management

- Forest Ecology and Management*
- Outdoor Recreation and Conservation*
- Wildlife and Fisheries*

Physics*
Psychology*

Applied Science (BASc)

Environmental Engineering
A UBC/UNBC joint degree

Nursing (BScN)

Northern Collaborative
Baccalaureate Nursing
Post-Diploma Baccalaureate Nursing

Planning (BPI)

First Nations Planning
Natural Resources Planning
Northern and Rural Community Planning

Social Work (BSW)

Child Welfare Specialization
First Nations Specialization

Master's Degrees

Business Administration (MBA) (MSc)

Development Economics (MA)

Disability Management (MA)

Education (MEd)

- Counselling
- Multidisciplinary Leadership
- Special Education

Engineering (MEng)

Integrated Wood Design

English (MA)

First Nations Studies (MA)

Gender Studies (MA)

Health Sciences (MSc)

History (MA)

Interdisciplinary Studies (MA) (MSc)

International Studies (MA)

- Global Environmental Policy
- International Development
- Regional Relations

Mathematical, Computer, Physical, and Molecular Sciences (MSc)

- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Mathematics
- Physics

Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (MA)

- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Management

Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (MNRES)

Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (MSc)

- Biology
- Environmental Science
- Forestry
- Geography
- Outdoor Recreation, Conservation, and Tourism

Nursing (MScN) (MScN: FNP)

Political Science (MA)

Psychology (MSc)

Social Work (MSW)

Doctorate Degrees

Health Sciences (PhD)

Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (PhD)

Psychology (PhD)

Northern Medical Program (MD)

A UBC degree delivered in partnership with UNBC

Other Programs

Integrated Analytical Skills and Knowledge Program

An enhanced first-year program

Northern Advancement Program

Transition year of study for students from rural communities and/or First Nations communities

Graduate Certificate

Leading for Learning

Certificates

First Nations Certificate Programs

- Aboriginal Community Resource Planning
- Aboriginal/Indigenous Health and Healing
- First Nations Language
- First Nations Public Administration
- General First Nations Studies
- Métis Studies
- Nisga'a Studies
- Traditional Ecological Knowledge

Nursing Certificate Program

- Rural Nursing

Public Administration Certificate Program

- Public Administration

Social Work Certificate Programs

- Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health
- Child Welfare

Diplomas

Associate of Arts Degree

Associate of Science Degree

First Nations Diploma Programs

- Aboriginal/Indigenous Health and Healing
- First Nations Language and Culture

Post-Baccalaureate Diplomas

- Curriculum and Instructional Studies
- Montessori Education



Applied Science

Offered collaboratively by UNBC and UBC, students benefit from the strengths of both institutions, providing a flexible and distinct educational experience. In their first two years, students develop a foundation in math, biology, chemistry, computer science, physics, and environmental science at UNBC. Students attend UBC in their third and fourth years and gain a hands-on understanding of engineering fundamentals, analysis, and design through courses in civil, chemical, and biological engineering. Students return to UNBC for their final term, where they focus on practical environmental engineering problems.

Arts

Students who wish to study the arts at UNBC have a broad range of disciplines from which to choose. Arts students learn critical thinking through engagement and dialogue in the classroom and beyond. Courses are thought-provoking and allow students to study the world, people, cultures, and history. UNBC arts degrees provide the foundation for both careers and further study.

Commerce

At UNBC, Commerce students are extremely active in and outside the classroom with their participation in the Commerce Student Society, community-based projects, socials, and the JDC West business competition. Commerce graduates are prepared to work in a wide variety of careers and industries. Commerce students at UNBC study a wide range of business topics and current trends where they develop organizational, problem-solving, and communications skills. Six majors allow students to explore and specialize in the area that interests them most.

Education

UNBC's Education degree is a two-year program taken after a minimum of 90 credit hours (three years of coursework). Students study childhood cognitive, social and academic development, and the latest trends in education. Students pursuing an Education degree learn to teach in K-12 education environments. Practicum placements allow students to observe classrooms and practice their learning in school settings. Elementary education students teach all subjects in the elementary curriculum, while secondary education students teach subjects they are academically prepared to teach.

Environmental Planning

The focus of UNBC's Bachelor of Planning degree is on understanding the relationship between people and the environment and on reducing the environmental impact of human activities. Planners play a vital role in decision-making processes concerning the future of human settlements, resource management, environmental protection, human health and well-being, and economic development. The UNBC Student Planners' Association actively provides networking opportunities, mentorship programs, and social events throughout the year. Environmental Planning is accredited by the Canadian Institute of Planners and the Planning Institute of British Columbia.

Health Sciences

Students interested in human health are drawn to this program that combines a variety of disciplines, including life sciences, social sciences, behavioural sciences, ethics, and law. Multiple opportunities exist for students to study with researchers and learn best practices and techniques. Three majors allow students to focus on their specific area of interest. This program prepares students for careers and future studies in several areas such as community health, dentistry, health management and administration, medicine, rehabilitation sciences, and speech pathology.

Nursing

Students pursuing the Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing Degree (BScN) at UNBC can attend one of three UNBC campuses: Prince George, Terrace, or Quesnel. The program is offered collaboratively between UNBC, the College of New Caledonia, and Northwest Community College, and provides entry into the nursing profession. Nursing students learn from experienced teachers, outstanding clinicians, practice leaders, and researchers.

Science

Small class sizes and quality teaching allow science students at UNBC to experience hands-on learning, personal attention, and ground-breaking research. Studies in science can lead to further research opportunities, rewarding careers, and professional programs such as medicine, engineering, and pharmacy.

Social Work

A Social Work degree at UNBC prepares students to work with individuals, families, groups, and communities. UNBC students study Social Work with a focus on northern and remote areas, First Nations, women, human services, community practice, and research. Exploration of class, gender, and race relations is a major focus within the program. Students are admitted to the program after two years of study in a post-secondary environment. They can specialize and develop their social work skills within an agency or community setting during their practicum. They can also participate in UNBC's exchange program with Mid Sweden University.

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IASK

Integrated Analytical Skills & Knowledge

The IASK program is offered jointly by six departments in the College of Arts, Social and Health Sciences to deliver an integrated and interdisciplinary curriculum for first-year students. Students enroll in six integrated courses and progress through the program together in small cohorts. Collaboratively taught by award-winning faculty, IASK courses introduce students to themes, questions, and methods of the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities. We emphasize hands-on experiences and student-driven projects that help students make strong connections among the various courses and bodies of knowledge encountered at the University. From the “Big Questions” such as “What is Knowledge?” and “Who are We?” to the nuts and bolts of university-level research, participants will develop a grounding in scholarship and the best ways to learn, both independently and in collaboration with faculty, support staff, and fellow students.

Contributing Programs

- Anthropology • Economics • English • First Nations Studies
- International and Global Studies • Political Science • Northern Studies

Northern Medical Program

The Northern Medical Program (NMP), housed at UNBC, is part of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia. Thirty-two students begin their program at the UBC campus in Vancouver in August and then arrive at UNBC's Prince George campus in January, where they can complete their education in classes, labs, and clinical settings throughout B.C. They learn best practices of rural and remote medicine from around the world. The NMP utilizes state-of-the-art videoconferencing to broadcast and receive lectures from medical professionals throughout B.C. Faculty and students have access to the newest equipment and laboratories at the state-of-the-art Dr. Donald Rix Northern Health Sciences Centre on campus and the Learning and Development Centre at the University Hospital of Northern B.C. in Prince George.





**“UNBC has
inspired me to love
learning.”**





MONEY MATTERS

Last year, one in every four students at UNBC received a financial award. Visit unbc.ca/financial-aid/awards-guide to view the hundreds of available scholarships, bursaries, and awards.

Current high school students are encouraged to apply to UNBC by December 15 to be automatically eligible for the following Early Entrance Awards:

Raven Scholarships, \$5,500
UNBC Merit Awards, \$2,500

Current high school students are also eligible to apply for the following Leadership Awards online at unbc.ca/financial-aid by December 15.

Leadership Awards, \$3,000
President's Silver Anniversary Awards for Excellence in Leadership, \$6,000

unbc.ca/financial-aid

Approximate Costs per Academic Year (30 credit hours, 10 courses)

	Domestic	International
Tuition*	\$5,111.10	\$17,889.00
Student Fees*	\$898.40	\$1,045.14
Books	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00

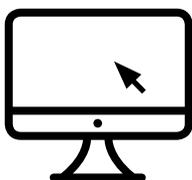
* Tuition and fees are subject to change and vary among programs. For more information, visit unbc.ca/fees

Cost of Living per Academic Year

On-campus living expense	\$4,911.30
On-campus meal plan	\$4,640.00
Off-campus living expense	\$6,520.00

BECOME

A UNBC STUDENT



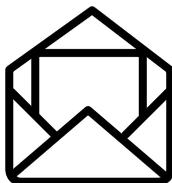
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Apply | unbc.ca/apply

Apply online at unbc.ca/apply or send in an application for admission. The application fee for domestic students is \$35.70 (\$76.50 for international students). A \$40.80 document evaluation fee will also apply to post-secondary applicants outside B.C. and secondary applicants outside Canada.



Submit your transcripts

Send us your official transcripts and any other required documents for your program of study. Current Grade 12 students in B.C. can sign up to have their transcripts sent to UNBC automatically by registering online through the Ministry of Education's Post-Secondary Institutions Selections form.

NEXT STEPS



Apply to housing
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Talk to an advisor
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Use our Budget Calculator
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Ask questions
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Explore funding options
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DATES & DEADLINES

Application Deadlines for September Entry

Canadian and International Students	
Social Work, Health Sciences	February 1
Arts, Commerce, Environmental Engineering, Planning, Science	March 1
Education	March 15
Nursing	March 31

Application Deadlines for January Entry

Canadian Students	
Arts, Commerce, Planning, Science	November 1
International Students	
Arts, Commerce, Planning, Science	June 1

Application Deadlines for Awards

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Early Entrance Awards	December 15
UNBC Leadership Awards	December 15
President's Silver Anniversary Awards	December 15
All other UNBC Awards	March 1

NEED MORE INFO?

Prince George Campus

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