

The INTERNATIONAL VISITING STUDENT PROGRAM

VSP

The International Visiting Student Program (IVSP) is a unique program allowing students to study at the University of Alberta for four, six, eight, ten or twelve months in English Language Courses and regular academic courses. The program offers enhanced student support and advising, as well as cultural, sports, leisure activities and events.

Join us at the University of Alberta to embark on this unique academic and cultural journey.



IVSP BENEFITS include:

Improve your English

The first part of the IVSP is 2–4 months of intensive English Language training in order to develop and build language skills necessary to succeed in a Canadian university.

Study academics, earn credits

Take regular undergrad academic courses with Canadian and international students. It may be possible to transfer academic credit earned at UAlberta to a program of study at your home university.

Flexible study dates

We offer a range of start and end dates to accommodate your study plan at your home university. You can choose to begin your program in January, May, July, or September. This flexibility allows you to align your academic journey with your specific needs and preferences.

4 months **JANUARY** 6 months 8 months START 12 months 4 months MAY 8 months **START** 12 months JULY 6 months START 8 months 4 months **SEPTEMBER** 8 months 10 months START 12 months

Explore with the IVSP

The IVSP provides you with a truly unique Canadian experience. You will have the opportunity to enjoy winter sports, attend festivals, explore Edmonton and visit the Alberta Rocky Mountains. When you study at UAlberta you'll get to experience and enjoy four distinct seasons: spring, summer, fall, and winter. Explore some new activities, and see how the landscape changes!

Cultural connectors

You'll find a welcoming community of students and support with organizations like the University Health Centre, Academic Sucess Centre, Career Centre, and many more. Join in the celebration of diversity through the Round Dance, International Week, and the Winter Party.



PROGRAM SERVICES

You will benefit from personalized support throughout your entire IVSP journey, from the moment you apply until you successfully complete the program. Our dedicated team offers individualized advising appointments and informative seminars, all aimed at ensuring your success at UAlberta.

What sets the IVSP apart is our commitment to providing these personalized services, which distinguish the program from a more independent study abroad experience. We are here to guide and support you every step of the way to make your IVSP educational journey at UAlberta as smooth and rewarding as possible.

Our International Student and Visitor Services team provides services, events, and programs that can help you accomplish your academic and personal goals. These international experts are ready to coach you towards a successful study abroad experience.



Take a virtual tour at uab.ca/residence



Live in residence

You will have the opportunity to live in on-campus residence with other international and Canadian students. This unique experience offers a close-knit community, with regular social and cultural events to enrich your free time.

Volunteer in the community

Meet local community members, gain valuable skills, improve your English, and make an impact! IVSP staff can help students find volunteer opportunities while they are at UAlberta.



Why chose the

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA?

Academic Excellence

UAlberta is known for its exceptional academic programs and world-class faculty. It consistently ranks among the top universities globally, offering a wide range of courses and research opportunities.

Diverse and Inclusive Community

The university is committed to diversity and inclusivity, creating a welcoming environment for international students from around the world.

Quality of Life

Located in Edmonton, UAlberta offers a high quality of life with safety and affordability, making it an attractive place to study and live.

Global Network

UAlberta has strong international connections and collaborations with institutions worldwide, offering students opportunities for global engagement.



The University of Alberta is among the

Top 100 universities worldwide and

Top 5 in Canada



44,000 students from 156 countries



More than
400 student clubs
and organizations



91 Canada Research Chairs



Canada's second-largest research library



450+ teaching and research agreements with **50 countries**

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STUDY IN CANADA

The University of Alberta is located in Edmonton, the capital of the province of Alberta, and one of the major economic and cultural centres in Western Canada. With almost 1.5 million residents in the metro area, this vibrant, dynamic city is a great place to live.

Explore Canada

The second largest country in the world, home to friendly people and stunning landscapes. From coast to coast to coast. Canada has exciting cities and breathtaking natural beauty that will appeal to your adventurous side. The people of Canada are as interesting as the landscape—Canadians come from all over the world and celebrate multiculturalism by sharing their traditions and welcoming the traditions of others.

Take the time to learn about Canadian culture—experience our music, food. films, and activities, and join us for cultural celebrations like Canada Day



