



**Gustavson**  
School of Business  
University of Victoria  
INTERNATIONAL



# DISCOVER GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS





# Where are we?



## Air travel times to Victoria (in hours):

- 0.5 Vancouver
- 0.5 Seattle, USA
- 2.0 San Francisco, USA





# Victoria, British Columbia

# 434,429

greater Victoria population



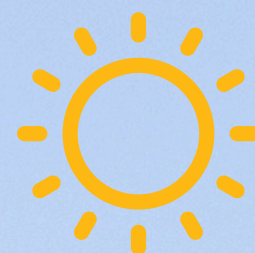
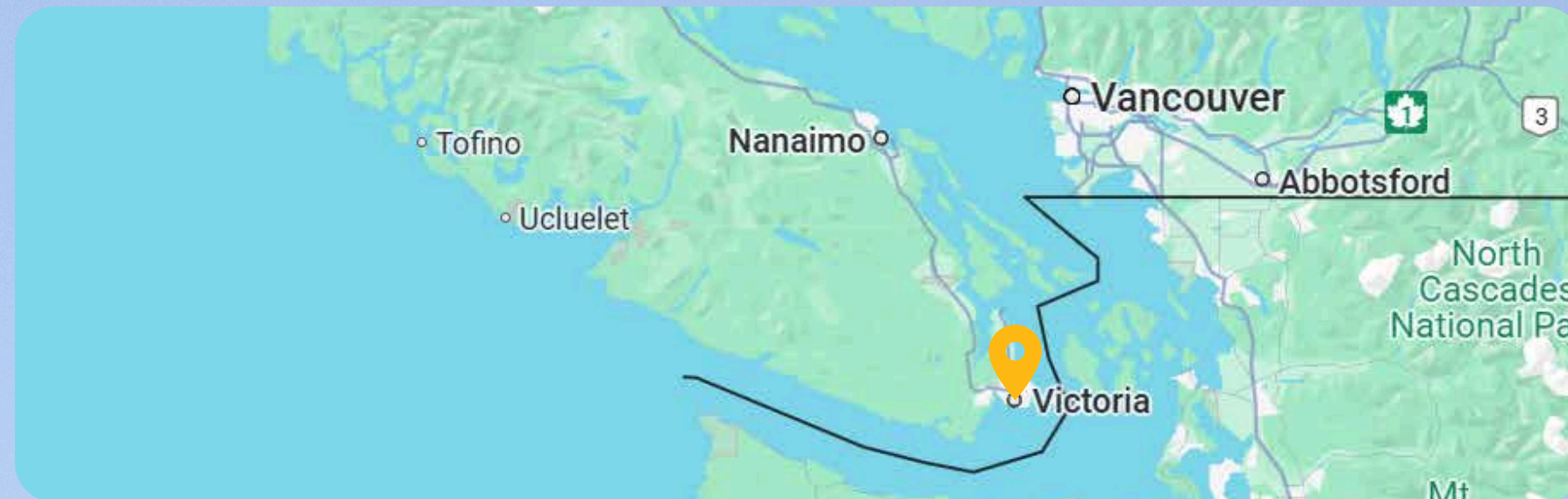
average temperature

**22° C / 72° F**

summer

**8° C / 46° F**

winter

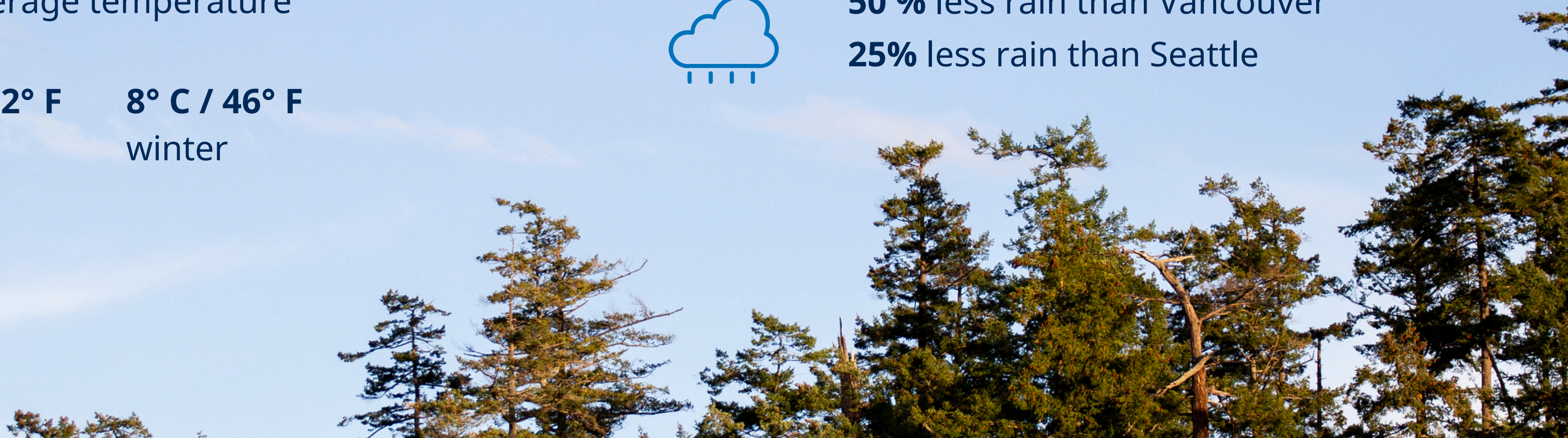


sunniest major city in the province



**50 %** less rain than Vancouver

**25%** less rain than Seattle





# Vancouver Island



Tofino, BC



Sooke, BC



Juan de Fuca, BC



Victoria, BC





# University of Victoria

UVic is a top-ranked Canadian university...

**#1**

in North America for International  
research collaboration

*Leiden University rankings 2023*

**#2**

among Canadian comprehensive  
universities

*Maclean's 2025*



**Top 1%** of global universities for  
contributions to the United Nations  
Sustainable Development Goals  
*2024 Times Higher Education Impact Ranking*



Mid-Size University

University of Victoria

22,020 students

18,714  
undergraduate

3,173  
graduate

3,400  
international

take a virtual  
campus tour! ↘





# UVic Campus





# Gustavson at a glance

## Our pillars

### International

Being appreciative, well-informed and perceptive of the diverse, complex world we live in and having the skill-set required to succeed in it.

### Integrative

Having a deep understanding of the fundamental areas of business combined with an awareness of how these areas continuously interact with one another and the abilities to use this knowledge.

### Innovative

Being flexible and creative to view the world, issues and opportunities from different perspectives and secure enough to take risks and try new things in it.

### Socially Responsible/Sustainable

Having the awareness to consider and the skills to incorporate the economic, environmental and social consequences of decisions in business and personal contexts.





# Gustavson is international at heart

115 

International Partner Universities  
in 46 different countries

170 

Incoming International exchange  
students welcomed each year

85% 

BCom students have an  
international experience

Specialized **supports and resources** for international students

- Orientation programming
- Immigration advising
- Settlement advising
- Socio-cultural events
- International Buddy Program









# Course Load and Selection

**1 course** = **1.5 UVic units** = **6 ECTS**

A normal course work load for Canadian students is 5 courses (7.5 units or 30 ECTS Credits)

Exchange students can take 3-5 courses depending on their academic comfort level

3 courses (4.5 units or 18 ECTS Credits) is the minimum course load for international students

## Course selection example

### Exchange Student - Fall Term

- COM 240 Management Finance
- IB 301 International Environment of Business
- COM 402 Legal Issues: Management
- COM 410 Leadership Strategies
- ENT 402 Entrepreneurship & Small Business for the non-Specialist



# Example Exchange Calendar

## Fall Term

<b>August</b>	Last week - Exchange Orientation
<b>September</b>	3 - First term classes begin
<b>November</b>	10-12 - Reading Break
<b>December</b>	3 - Last day of classes 6-20 - Fall term Exam Period

## Spring Term

<b>January</b>	First week - Exchange Orientation 5 - Second term classes begin
<b>February</b>	16-20 - Reading break
<b>April</b>	2 - Last day of classes 2-22 - Spring Term Exam Period



# Budget Considerations

## Academic Term (4 months)

### Fees sample budget 2025-2026

Books and Materials	CAD \$500
Optional Fees* (opt-in): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bus Pass (CAD \$81)</li><li>• Wellness, Athletics, &amp; Recreation (CAD \$98.12)</li><li>• UVSS Membership (CAD \$81.50)</li></ul> <i>*these 3 fees cannot be unbundled.</i>	CAD \$260.62
Mandatory Temporary Medical Insurance (MTMI)	CAD \$265

### Housing sample budget 2025-2026

On-campus dormitory: single room (with meal plan)	CAD \$7524
On-campus cluster/apartment room (no meal plan)	CAD \$4511
Off-campus	CAD \$3600 - \$6000



The above costs are approximations and are only basic budgeting items. Students will need to allocate additional funds travel, recreation, clothing, BC Medical, and pocket money.





# Our team



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