# Go Global: International Learning Programs

## Information Sheet Academic Year 2018/2019

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### Facts and Figures

- [http://www.ubc.ca/about/facts.html](http://www.ubc.ca/about/facts.html)
- [https://www.flickr.com/photos/134760388@N08/sets/72157656112598800](https://www.flickr.com/photos/134760388@N08/sets/72157656112598800)

### Important dates

**Term 1 - Winter Session 2018/2019**  
**Term 2 – Winter Session 2018/2019**

**Class Dates**  
Early September – Early December, 2018  
Early January – Early April, 2019

**Exam Period**  
Early December – Late December, 2018  
Mid-April – Late April, 2019

**Breaks**  
Late December, 2018 – Early January, 2019  
One Week in February 2019

**Orientation**  
September 2018  
January 2019

**Academic Calendar**  
[http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/okanagan/index.cfm?go=deadlines](http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/okanagan/index.cfm?go=deadlines) (UBC Okanagan)

### Nomination & Application

**Nomination Periods**  
- **Round 1 (Term 1, Term 2, Full Year, Split Year)**  
  January 15, 2018 – March 15, 2018  
  (Strongly encouraged)

- **Round 2 (Term 2, Split Year)**  
  July 1, 2018 – August 25, 2018  
  (Not available to Law students)  
  (for partner schools that are not able to nominate students in Round 1)

**Nomination Process**  
Nomination is made online, [https://secure.students.ubc.ca/global/nominate.cfm](https://secure.students.ubc.ca/global/nominate.cfm). This portal will be open for 2018/2019 nomination on January 15, 2018. Nomination tool will be closed outside the aforementioned periods and nominations made outside these two periods should be directly submitted to UBC Go Global via email, and will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

**Application Documents Deadlines**  
- **Round 1 (files of all the students nominated in Round 1)**  
  April 1, 2018

- **Round 2 (Term 2, Split Year)**  
  September 15, 2018
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<th>Application Documents</th>
<th><a href="http://students.ubc.ca/about/go-global/coming-ubc-exchange/apply-exchange">http://students.ubc.ca/about/go-global/coming-ubc-exchange/apply-exchange</a></th>
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<td></td>
<td>UBC Go Global only accepts supporting documents in electronic format submitted to office by the partner university via email. One complete application in PDF format per individual student. Each required document for an individual student must be compiled in the order as shown on the Document Checklist.</td>
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<td>Application Process</td>
<td>Go Global will email the exchange online application URL directly to nominated students. The URL is for exchange students only. Please kindly advise your students NOT to use the UBC Undergraduate Program application/admission portal for exchange application.</td>
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**Admission & Course Registration**

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<th>Admission Process</th>
<th>Application files are reviewed by Go Global and/or faculties. Go Global sends Letter of Acceptance to partner schools as of mid-May / mid-October for Round 1 and Round 2 students respectively.</th>
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| Course Registration | July – August: registration for both Term 1 and Term 2 courses.  
November – December: Term 2 course registration for Round 2 students  
• Students who are nominated in Round 1 have the full range of courses to select.  
• Students who are nominated in Round 2 have limited selection of courses. |

**Academic Information & Transcript**

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<th>Language of Instruction &amp; Requirements</th>
<th>English; Requirements: <a href="https://students.ubc.ca/about/go-global-may-deadline/coming-ubc-study-abroad/coming-ubc-exchange/english-language">https://students.ubc.ca/about/go-global-may-deadline/coming-ubc-study-abroad/coming-ubc-exchange/english-language</a></th>
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<td>GPA Requirement</td>
<td>Minimum 70% on average or equivalent ranking in the top half of the student’s class in previous academic work at the home university (OR B OR 2.8 on a 4.33 scale; OR 3.0 on a 4.0 scale).</td>
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Okanagan: [http://students.ok.ubc.ca/global/incoming/academics/Program_restrictions.html](http://students.ok.ubc.ca/global/incoming/academics/Program_restrictions.html)  
**Note:** Priority access to engineering programs is given to students from the partner institutions that have Coordinated International Experience (CIE) or faculty specific agreements with UBC Faculty of Applied Science. |
| Transcripts and Additional Transcript Ordering | We will send the official transcripts to the exchange office of the partner institution approximately six weeks after the end of exchange term. Students can order extra transcripts online at: [https://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/records/ordering-transcript](https://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/records/ordering-transcript) |

**Accommodation**

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<th>Campus</th>
<th>UBC Vancouver: <a href="http://www.housing.ubc.ca">www.housing.ubc.ca</a></th>
<th>UBC Okanagan: <a href="http://okanagan.housing.ubc.ca/">http://okanagan.housing.ubc.ca/</a></th>
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<td>On-campus Housing</td>
<td>Limited number of rooms is reserved for exchange students. Due to high demand, on-campus housing for Term 1 exchange is not guaranteed even though priority is given to regular exchange students. Engineering CIE Term 1 exchange students do not qualify for Priority Access and we recommend CIE Term 1 only students look for off-campus housing because of the low chance of getting into a UBC residence.</td>
<td>Currently, the housing office in the Okanagan will prioritize all exchange applicants if they apply by the deadline. Term 2 students will be able to apply for housing in the fall semester.</td>
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<td>Apply to Residence</td>
<td>Housing application can be done online at <a href="http://secure.housing.ubc.ca/">https://secure.housing.ubc.ca/</a> after exchange application is completed. There is a $50 non-refundable application fee.</td>
<td>All residence offers are sent by email from Okanagan housing office and include an expiry date to respond and pay a deposit.</td>
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| Housing Placement | For **Term 1 only students**, priority is given to:  
• Students from partner schools that evenly distribute Term 1 and Term 2 nomination spots;  
• Students whose nomination is submitted during the regular nomination periods.  
**Full year and Term 2 students** have priority access. All residence offers are sent by email from Vancouver housing office and include an expiry date to respond and pay a deposit. |
### Immigration Requirements

| Temporary Resident Visa (TRV) or Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) | International students who will study at UBC for less than 6 months will need to apply for a Temporary Resident Visa (TRV, “entry visa” or “visitor visa”) or Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) in order to ENTER Canada. To find out if you are required for a TRV or eTA, please check [http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp) or contact the nearest Canadian visa office. Additional information and tutorials can be found at: [http://students.ubc.ca/international](http://students.ubc.ca/international) |
| Study Permit | A study permit is required for international students who will study at UBC for more than 6 months. Single-term students need to obtain a study permit if they intend to work on campus, want to extend their study to full-year or plan to enter Canada early (more than one month before school starts). If students arrive too early without study permit, their extension request for the period of authorized stay in Canada may not be approved by immigration officers. If you apply for a study permit, you do not need to apply for a TRV or eTA because it will be issued to you when your study permit application is approved. International Student Guide – [How to apply for initial Study Permit](#) |

### Cost


### Health Insurance & Student Services

| Medical Insurance (Mandatory Plan) | Students staying less than 6 months (one term only): Single-term students are automatically covered under iMED (mandatory health insurance plan) for the duration of their exchange at UBC. The cost of iMED for one term students is $252 CDN. Students staying for more than 6 months (full year or split-year students): Full year students are automatically covered by iMED for the first three months before they can be enrolled in BC Medical Services Plan (MSP), which is the basic medical insurance provided and required by BC government for anyone who will reside in BC for more than six months. The cost of iMED for full year students is $180 CDN. The iMED plan will ensure that students have adequate medical coverage from the time they leave home (up to ten days prior to arrival if within the coverage dates) and while they are waiting to be enrolled in BC MSP. Full year and split-year students must apply for BC MSP (online application available) as soon as they arrive in BC, Canada. There is a three-month waiting period before students can be enrolled in MSP, during which time the students are covered under iMED. More information on: iMED - [http://students.ubc.ca/livewell/health-insurance/imed](http://students.ubc.ca/livewell/health-insurance/imed) BC MSP - [http://students.ubc.ca/livewell/health-insurance/medical-services-plan-msp-international-students](http://students.ubc.ca/livewell/health-insurance/medical-services-plan-msp-international-students) |

| Resources and Advising | Go Global assists students with registration and liaises with faculties and departments on academic matters. International Student Development at UBCV [issa@students.ubc.ca](mailto:issa@students.ubc.ca) and International Programs and Services at UBCO [ips.ubco@ubc.ca](mailto:ips.ubco@ubc.ca) provide advising and support in the areas of visas, study permits, health insurance, etc.) Other campus resources include Global Lounge, First Nations House of Learning, Access and Diversity (Disability Resource Centre), Career Services, Wellness Centre, and Counselling Services. |

### Orientation

| Recommended Arrival Dates | Students will receive orientation initiation (Pre-arrival Webinar and International Welcome) though email with detailed information and schedule for September start or January start. |

| Term 1: first week of September; Term 2: first week of January |

It depends on housing move-in date and first day of class.