

Capilano University at a glance

With campuses in Squamish and North Vancouver, Capilano University is built around real connection. Small classes create space for big conversations and a learning environment where students are known, not numbered. Faculty are mentors as much as instructors, offering the support and encouragement to challenge ideas, build confidence and reach further. Learning at CapU is about exploring, asking questions and trying new things, even before the path ahead feels certain. It's a place where students have the freedom to discover their own direction and shape what comes next.



92%

of Capu bachelor's degree graduates rate the quality of instruction as good or very good*

94%

of CapU bachelor's degree graduates are in the labour force*

90%

of CapU bachelor's degree graduates said the knowledge and skills gained were useful in performing their job*

*BC Student Outcomes Survey (2023-2025)

A space to find community

CapU offers smaller, interactive classes, a wide variety of student support services and a diverse student population. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved, from student clubs and peer mentor programs to volunteer opportunities and campus recreation.

19

Bachelor's degrees offered

120

Programs offered

9,282

Students enrolled in for-credit programs

26

Average number of students in a class

64

Student clubs, associations and collectives

25+

Study abroad destinations

1,760

Work-Integrated Learning (WIL) experiences**

291

Indigenous students

Source: 2025-2026 academic year

**2024-2025 academic year

Academic programs

Capilano University offers over 120 programs across five faculties. The University is a leader in business, tourism management, early childhood education and fine arts education.

- Western Canada's only four-year degree in Early Childhood Care and Education
- First university in Canada to offer a four-year degree in Music Therapy
- Bachelor of Motion Picture Arts degree and a diploma in Indigenous Filmmaking
- Degree and diploma programs in Tourism and Outdoor Recreation Management
- Indigenous Digital Accelerator program works with Indigenous entrepreneurs to scale up and grow their business



Capilano University respectfully acknowledges that our campuses are located on the unceded territories of the səilwətał

(Tsleil-Waututh), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Nations.

CapU's next chapter



New leadership

In 2026, CapU welcomed new leadership across several key roles. Jason Dewling, PhD, began his term as the eighth president & vice-chancellor, Vicki St. Pierre, DMA, joined CapU as provost & vice-president, academic, and Debra Doucette, OBC, was appointed as the university's fifth chancellor.

Together, they bring new perspectives and leadership to support CapU's continued growth and future direction.



Treehouse (Lamíwa/θqétəwtxʷ) Student housing

CapU's first on-campus student housing opened at the North Vancouver campus in 2026, providing below-market housing in a welcoming, connected community. Treehouse features a mix of student rooms alongside shared study spaces, lounges, kitchens, dining and support spaces.

The new building marks a significant milestone in CapU's evolution, bringing students closer to campus life while creating more opportunities to connect, learn and thrive.



Fulmer Family Centre for Childhood Studies

The Fulmer Family Centre for Childhood Studies is a new, purpose-built facility that integrates teaching, research and experiential learning spaces for the Department of Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) and adds 74 new childcare spaces in the Children's Centre.

Using a child-inspired approach, the Fulmer Family Centre for Childhood Studies will be Western Canada's only purpose-designed, integrated Centre of Early Childhood Care, research and Lab School education.

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