



International Student Guide

2027
2028



Study in Vancouver, BC

Capilano University respectfully acknowledges that our campuses are located on the territories of the səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh), shíshálh (Sechelt), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Nations.

Squamish campus

North Vancouver campus

From CapU North Vancouver

30 minutes	to downtown Vancouver
10 minutes	to the beach
20 minutes	to local ski resorts

Mild climate

22° C	average July high
7° C	average January high

Source: Meteorological Service of Canada



Image: Vancouver skyline. Cover: Sanampreet K., Associate of Science (General), India.

A space to explore



Located in North Vancouver and Squamish, B.C., Capilano University offers a welcoming, safe and inclusive environment surrounded by the majestic mountains and rugged coastline of Canada's West Coast.

9,282

Students enrolled in for-credit programs

26

Average number of students in a class

25⁺

Study abroad destinations to choose from

2,802

International students

89

Countries represented in student population

64

Student clubs, associations and collectives



A top design school in Canada*



Canada's first university to offer a 4-year bachelor's degree in music therapy^o



Largest 4-year production-oriented film degree in Western Canada*



Recognized leader in tourism education^o



Western Canada's only purpose-built Centre for Childhood Studies, integrating teaching, research and experiential learning[■]

* Tied for first place at 2025 RGD Student Awards
• BC Gov News
■ capilanou.ca/fulmer-centre
◊ capilanou.ca/about-capu/get-to-know-us/news
◊ The only university tourism program in B.C. to receive UNWTO TedQual certification

Find what inspires you



Arts & sciences

CapU's Arts & Sciences programs in areas such as creative writing, psychology, engineering and biology blend interdisciplinary learning, critical thinking and hands-on research, preparing you for diverse career paths and further studies.

"Since coming to CapU I've grown very confident in my writing and public speaking skills. I no longer feel nervous when I need to present in front of a class, or when I give my opinion about things. I've learned to trust in my own knowledge and skills."

Ilse N.

Bachelor of Arts in Writing and Literature student
MEXICO



Professional studies & tourism

Launch your career with CapU's business, communications, legal studies and tourism programs, where work-integrated learning, strong industry connections and a focus on sustainability and innovation set you up for success in a fast-evolving global market.



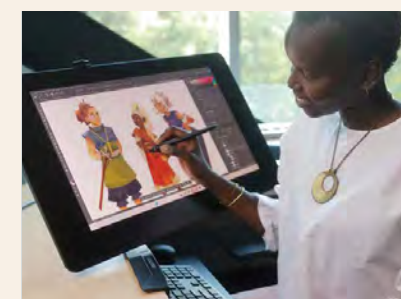
Health

Turn your passion for helping others into a fulfilling career with our health care assistant, rehabilitation assistant, music therapy and kinesiology programs, where hands-on training and expert mentorship prepare you to make a real difference in people's lives.



Education

Launch a rewarding career working with children in the top early childhood care and education program in Western Canada. CapU offers immersive learning experiences at our on-campus childcare facilities and new Centre for Childhood Studies focused on early years research, education and innovation.



Film, animation & design

Bring your creative vision to life with our industry-leading film, animation and design programs, where real-world experience, cutting-edge technology and our state-of-the-art film centre and design studios prepare you for success in the creative media sector.



Performing arts

CapU's performing arts programs stand out with expert faculty, unparalleled performance opportunities, and a strong focus on artistic innovation, all set in a vibrant creative community that prepares you to shine on stage and beyond.



View programs currently available for international students



Career outcomes

CapU graduates leave with career-ready skills, real-world experience, and the confidence to succeed in a changing global workforce.

In a survey of CapU bachelor's degree recipients

92% said the quality of instruction was good or very good	94% are in the labour force	\$56K median annual salary
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Source: BC Student Outcomes Survey (data from 2023 – 2025)

Earn while you learn

24 Hours you can work off campus during major terms	∞ You can work unlimited hours during scheduled breaks	\$18.25 BC's minimum wage as of June 1, 2026. Fun Fact: British Columbia has the highest minimum wage in Canada.
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Education that moves beyond the classroom

1,760 Work-integrated learning (WIL) experiences, including co-op, work experiences, field placements, internships and professional practicums*	500+ organizations recruit CapU students through the career portal and via WIL experiences*
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*2024 – 2025 academic year



Your home away from home



CapU provides safe, convenient and competitively priced on-campus student housing at our North Vancouver and Squamish campuses.

Starting at just \$1,563* per month (North Vancouver campus, Spring 2027 term), CapU residence offers:

360 Beds in our new North Vancouver student residence	 All meals as part of declining balance meal plan	 Fully furnished room including bed, storage, desk, chair and closet
 Unlimited high-speed wireless internet	 Access to laundry, washrooms and showers	 Dedicated lounge and study spaces

You may also choose to live off campus in a homestay or in shared or independent rental housing. For more available accommodation options and an overview of B.C. tenancy rights, please visit capilanou.ca/intl-accommodation

Above: New Treehouse student residence in North Vancouver.
Below: Interior of the residence.



Explore student housing options
Learn more about student housing for North Van and Squamish at capilanou.ca/housing

Helping you thrive



Feel welcomed and supported

We offer a wide range of services and opportunities to help you feel empowered every step of the way.

					
Competitive Sports Teams • Soccer, volleyball and basketball	Learning support services • Math, writing, reading • We've got you covered!	Student clubs, associations and collectives 64 to choose from!	Academic advising	Counselling and mental health services	Accessibility services

"Joining the Black Student Union was a turning point for me, connecting with students who shared my background made me realize that I wasn't just a visitor here, but a vital part of the community."

Isaiah A.
Communication Studies
Diploma student
NIGERIA



Services for international students

- Peer mentorship – be paired with a built-in friend who knows the ropes and can help guide you during your first term.
- Admissions advising – to guide you through every step of applying to CapU.
- Immigration advising – free licensed services to support your immigration needs.
- Transition advising – helping you prepare for life in Canada, from finding housing to settling into your new community.



"Getting involved and meeting people from all over the world is so easy at CapU. I received great support from teachers, which really helped me settle into the Canadian academic system quickly. My semester here has been a massive confidence boost in building a life abroad and experiencing the best of the West Coast."

Papaya G.
Visiting short-term Science student
DENMARK

Short-term study option Visiting International Student Program (VISP)

Elevate your degree and step into an unforgettable Canadian experience through one semester abroad or a dedicated gap year.

- Enjoy flexible entry into Canada with no study permit required for up to six months of study.
- Feel at home with dedicated support, from housing and cultural transition assistance to our Study Abroad Buddy Program.
- Design your own course package and earn academic credits you can apply toward your degree at home.

Become a CapU student

Apply to CapU today

Apply online at capilano.ca/apply. The application fee is CAD \$135 for international students, and it allows you to apply for up to two programs. With your application, upload your supporting documents such as transcripts, English translations and proof of English proficiency results.

General application deadlines

Term	Application opening date	Recommended deadline
Fall (September)	First week of October	May 31
Spring (January)	First week of February	September 30
Summer (May)	First week of June	January 31

Application deadlines vary by program.
See capilano.ca/programs

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Go on an in-person or virtual campus tour. Check out our beautiful campus in the trees!

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