

FACT SHEET 2024 - 2025

University Name	University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC)
Location	Located in Prince George, the largest city in British Columbia. Famous for its vast nature and wildlife. For more information.
Primary Language	English: All courses in UNBC are instructed in English.
English language proficiency score requirements (evidence mandatory for graduate students, not required for undergraduate students)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL score of 90 or higher in the internet-based test, with no less than 20 in each of the reading, listening, writing, and speaking components; score of at least 230 in the computer-based test, or at least 570 in the paper-based test. UNBC's institutional TOEFL code is 0320. • IELTS Academic score of at least 6.5 overall, with not less than 6.0 in any of the four modules. • CAEL (Canadian Academic English Language Assessment) overall score of at least 70, with no subtest below 60. • MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery): 80 final score, with a minimum of 3 on the Speaking Rating Scale. • PTE (Pearson Test of English - Academic): 65 overall score, with a score of no less than 60 in reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

	Complete list can be found at this website: https://www2.unbc.ca/calendar/undergraduate/international-admissions .
Programs excluded for incoming exchange students	As an exchange student at UNBC, you will be UNABLE to register in our competitive/professional programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSW (social work) • BEd (Bachelor of Education) • BSc Nursing • BPI (Bachelor of Planning) • Northern Medical Program • BASc Environmental Engineering
Course Selection	Information on the programs of study can be found here: unbc.ca/programs .
Credit Load Per Semester	12-15 credits (4-5 classes)
No. of Credits Per Course	3
Minimum Workload Per Semester	9 credits (3 courses)
Maximum Workload Per Semester	15 credits (5 courses)
Exchange Semesters	Fall and Winter

Academic Calendar	<p>Fall 2024: September 4, 2024, to December 16, 2024</p> <p>Winter 2024: January 6, 2025, to April 17, 2025</p> <p>For full details on the academic calendar, please refer to this pdf: University Calendar.</p>
Official Transcripts	An academic transcript with your grades will be sent to your university by the UNBC Registrar's Office approximately six (6) to eight (8) weeks after the end of the semester. Please ensure you monitor your UNBC email after you leave if we need to contact you.
Application Deadlines	<p>Fall Semester (September): May 15</p> <p>Winter semester (January): September 15</p>

Student Card	Each student will receive a student card and an email address. The student card gives access to many facilities and services such as free bus rides and gym access.
Accommodation / Housing options	UNBC offers both residence housing and off-campus housing. Please explore the UNBC Housing and Residence Life pages for full details about living on and off-campus: unbc.ca/housing
Immigration	<p>Single Semester Exchange Program</p> <p>If you participate in a full-time exchange program for a single semester, you do not require a study permit for that period. You must ensure that you have an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA).</p> <p>Two-Semester Exchange Program</p> <p>Since this is a study program lasting more than 6 months, you must obtain a study permit. We recommend that you begin your immigration process as soon as you receive the admission letter from UNBC, as the process can take up to three (3) months. Please visit canada.ca for full details on what is required to apply for a study permit.</p>
Health and Hospitalization Insurance	<p>As an international exchange student, UNBC requires that all students have health insurance while studying.</p> <p>All international students will be automatically enrolled in health insurance. This insurance is mandatory for all new international students. No other medical insurance, aside from British Columbia's Provincial plan, will be recognized by UNBC.</p> <p>Please be aware, even if you already have health insurance, you will still be enrolled in this insurance. If you have already purchased insurance, check with your provider about getting a refund before your coverage begins. Insurance coverage will begin from the time of departure.</p> <p>The mandatory private health insurance will last for 4 months and is \$220 CAD. The charge for this will be automatically placed on your student account.</p> <p>Details on the insurance coverage can be found here: guard.me/guard-me.php.</p>
Campus Facilities	Large sports complex (NUSC), library, pub, cafeteria, bookstore, student associations, and many more. The campus also has a bus stop for easy access around the city.

Off Campus Work / Internships	Exchange students are not eligible for off-campus work or internships.
Mailing Address	International Office University of Northern British Columbia 3333 University Way Prince George, British Columbia Canada V2N 4Z9 International Office phone: 250-960-5858 Main campus phone: 250-960-5555
Contact Email	ie@unbc.ca
Important Links	Information for international students: https://www2.unbc.ca/international Information about Prince George: https://www.princegeorge.ca/Pages/default.aspx
Nomination Instructions	When nominating a student, please provide the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Name • Student Email • Study of Program • Level of Study • Semester of Study <p>Please note, each student nomination must be sent by email separately to unbcexchange@unbc.ca.</p>