Working together for student success

Let’s Talk About Teaching
New Faculty and Librarian Orientation

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Today’s agenda

• Student Affairs at UVic
• Our 2021-22 student population
  – Entering class
  – Student populations
  – Key student supports
• Double cohort
About the Division of Student Affairs

• 26 functional units
• Work to create a vibrant and engaging learning community
• Partners in student success
• Support both the academic and personal success of UVic students
Student Affairs vision

Together, we transform students’ lives.

Priorities for 2021-22:

• Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM)
• New Student Housing & Dining Project
• Childcare Expansion
• Campus Wellness Strategy
• Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Project for Division
Student Population

- 22,063 students enrolled at UVic (as of July 2021)
  - 87% undergraduate
  - 13% graduate

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Student Population: International

• 14% of all undergraduate students
• 32% of all graduate students

• International Centre for Students
  – Immigration and settlement supports
  – Self-Isolation Program
  – Peer-to-peer connection
  – Study abroad and intercultural volunteering

• Get involved in the Global Community
Student Population: Indigenous

- 6.6% of all undergraduates
- 8.4% of all graduates
- New AVP Indigenous position at UVIC to further institutional commitments around truth, respect and reconciliation and develop a new Indigenous Plan
- Indigenous cluster hiring in Student Services designed to add 5 new FTE across a range of primary advising and support areas
Student Population: Students with disabilities

- Provincial landscape continues to change with the Accessibility Act – we are currently updating Policy AC1205
- Universal instructional design – collaboration with the LSTI around course re-design
- Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) provides programs and coordinates academic accommodations for students

Students registered with CAL:

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Undergraduate affordability and employment

- COVID-19 caused significant financial stress for students

- 48% of undergraduate students are employed, working an average of 16.5 hours/week. Of those half report employment negatively impacting academic achievement

- On campus employment, co-op/practica/internships all have positive impacts on student retention and success

- Student Awards and Financial Aid administers bursaries, scholarships, and work study opportunities
Health & wellness

• Student Wellness Centre
  – Combining Health, Counselling and Multifaith services for students’ holistic health

• SupportConnect
  – Free confidential mental health support available 24/7

• Centre for Athletics, Recreation and Special Abilities (CARSA)
  – Vikes Recreation
Welcoming a double cohort

• Orientation events for first- and second-year students
• Pre-arrival program
• Faculty-specific events