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# **PRESIDENT'S**

At Douglas College, we have committed to educating our students to become global citizens. We provide them with meaningful international and intercultural experiences, allowing them to build the skills needed to succeed in an increasingly interconnected world.

Our approach is intentionally thoughtful and iterative; we recognize that our students vary in their needs, interests and responsibilities, so we meet them where they are today, then build on their individual experiences by providing meaningful educational opportunities. Our goal is to broaden students' world views and deepen their understanding of, and compassion for, those who differ from them.

Metro Vancouver, home to Douglas College, is already one of the most diverse regions in the world. Douglas has built on that diversity and is wellinstitution. Our domestic students experiences, and our more than 4,000 international students come from over 90 countries.

We are excited to collaborate with partners from around the world as we educate resilient global citizens with the knowledge and skills changing world.

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Kathy Denton President, Douglas College

## **METRO VANCOUVER** British Columbia

# Welcome

TO CANADA AND ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST LIVABLE CITIES!

Metro Vancouver is where nature meets urban living. Situated between the Pacific Ocean and the majestic Coast Mountains, it is composed of 21 municipalities, most of which are walkable or easily accessible by public transportation.

The city of Vancouver is located on the traditional territory of three Coast Salish peoples, the original inhabitants of the Pacific Northwest Coast: the Squamish (skwxwú7mesh), Tsleil-waututh and Musqueam (xwméthkwyiem) First Nations.

As one of the world's most livable cities, Vancouver is home to lush forests and parks, sparkling ocean inlets and lively beaches, as well as peaceful lakes, rivers and other ecological wonders. Downtown Vancouver offers world-class shopping, dining, arts and culture, and entertainment. With an excellent infrastructure and countless activities to choose from, Vancouver is a welcoming place for all.

#### **GREEN CITY**

Vancouver is one of the world's most environmentally sustainable cities, with the goal to be zero waste by 2040.

#### POPULATION

Metro Vancouver is home to an estimated 2.3 million people, representing just over half of B.C.'s population of 4.4 million.

#### LANGUAGES

The two official languages in Canada are English and French. After English and French, the most common languages spoken in Metro Vancouver are Punjabi, Chinese (Cantonese), Tagalog (Filipino), Korean, Farsi (Persian), Spanish, German and Hindi.

#### SAFE AND LIVABLE

Canadians are known for their friendliness, and Vancouver is a safe place to visit or live. According to *The Economist*, Vancouver is sixth on the list of the 10 most livable cities in the world in terms of economic and political stability, health care, culture and environment, education and infrastructure.

#### WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE

Vancouver is a diverse and inclusive city that supports fairness, equity, equality and accessibility, and is committed to anti-racism. It is an LGBTQIA2+ city, with an annual Pride Festival every August.

### WHY PARTNER WITH Douglas College?

Douglas College is committed to graduating resilient global citizens with the knowledge and skills to adapt, innovate and lead in a changing world. We inspire our students to do what they love and be good at it, providing educational experiences that challenge and enlighten, and open doors to lives of passion and purpose.

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#### **50 YEARS OF SUCCESS**

Founded in 1970, Douglas College has been providing top-quality education for the past five decades. Close to 17,000 students from across Canada and over 4,000 students from 92 countries around the world take for-credit courses at Douglas annually. The majority of these credits transfer to different research universities in British Columbia and across Canada, providing students with flexible pathways to reach their academic and career goals. We offer the most bachelor's degrees and post-degree programs of any college in the province.

#### A WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION

A Douglas College education combines the academic foundations of a university with the career-ready skills of a college. Class sizes of 30-35 students mean students get more one-on-one time with professors, more interaction with classmates and more opportunities to practise presentation, public-speaking and other skills than they would at a university, where first-year classes can have up to 400 or more students. Outside the classroom, our students have many opportunities to make friends and gain valuable interpersonal and communication skills through events, clubs, leadership training and volunteering.

#### DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

At Douglas College, we embrace uniqueness. We recognize, celebrate and support the cultural, ethnic, religious, physical and individual diversity of our students and employees.

#### **GREAT LOCATIONS**

Our two modern campuses are located at the heart of Metro Vancouver, in New Westminster and Coquitlam. New Westminster is the oldest city in Western Canada. Overlooking the Fraser River, it is located on the traditional territory of the Qayqayt (qiqéyt) First Nation. The Coquitlam Campus is located on the traditional territory of the Kwikwetlem (kʷikʷəʎəm) First Nation. It sits across from a lake and is steps away from The Great Trail, the world's longest recreational trail, stretching from the Pacific to the Atlantic and Arctic oceans. Metro Vancouver's rapid transit system, SkyTrain, connects both campuses to downtown Vancouver.

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# OUR CAMPUSES and facilities

Our campuses offer plenty of spaces for quiet study, collaboration on group projects, fitness, fun activities, hands-on learning and more.

mmerce and Business students

Chemistry lab

Music Technology program

Varsity soccer

#### HANDS-ON LEARNING SPACES

Engineering and Fabrication lab

Our science and engineering labs, health sciences simulation labs, recording studios and other learning spaces are furnished with modern, industry-standard equipment, providing our students with valuable opportunities to put what they've learned into practice and giving them an edge on the competition when applying for jobs.

#### LIFE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Our students enjoy the full college experience by getting active outside of the classroom. Douglas College offers many events, clubs, sports and more – excellent opportunities to connect with other students, build valuable skills and have fun.

#### ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUTORING

Dispensing Opticianry program

The Douglas College Learning Centre provides free English-language tutoring. Peer tutors are available to help students improve their English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. Students can book online tutoring sessions and submit drafts of their writing for tutors to review.

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### OUR programs

Douglas College offers close to 100 programs across six faculties with many credential options, including bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, diplomas, and post-degree, post-baccalaureate and graduate programs. We welcome the opportunity to create partnerships around any of our programs to meet the needs and interests of potential partners.

#### **BACHELOR'S DEGREES**

Douglas is the largest degree-granting college in British Columbia. Our 13 bachelor's degrees are equal to those offered at universities, but with a difference: Douglas degrees are applied, which means our students get the academic knowledge plus opportunities to practise what they learn before they graduate through practicums, field schools and more.

Accounting Applied Criminology Applied Psychology Child and Youth Care Financial Services Management Marketing Nursing Performing Arts Psychiatric Nursing Physical Education and Coaching Social Work Therapeutic Recreation

#### FACULTY OF APPLIED COMMUNITY STUDIES

Child and Youth Care (includes Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care) Classroom and Community Support Disability and Community Studies Early Childhood Education Sign Language Interpretation Social Work (Bachelor of Social Work) Therapeutic Recreation (includes Bachelor of Therapeutic Recreation) Youth Justice

#### FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting (includes Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting) Business (includes Bachelor of Business Administration in Management) Commerce and Business Administration Computing Studies and Information Systems Economics Finance (includes Bachelor of Business Administration in Financial Services) Hospitality Management Marketing (includes Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing) Office Administration

#### FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Health Care Support Work Health Information Management Nursing (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) Psychiatric Nursing (Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing)

### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology Asian Studies Criminology (includes Bachelor of Arts in Applied Criminology) Environmental Studies Future Professional Pilots Future Teachers General Studies Geography and the Environment History Liberal Arts Philosophy and Humanities Political Science Psychology (includes Bachelor of Arts in Applied Psychology) Sociology

### FACULTY OF LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Communications Creative Writing English English Language and Learning Acquisition (ELLA) Gender, Sexualities and Women's Studies Intercultural and International Studies Modern Languages (American Sign Language, Chinese, French, Japanese, Spanish) Music Music Technology Music Therapy Studies, Foundation Performing and Fine Arts Performing Arts (Bachelor of Performing Arts) Stagecraft and Event Technology Theatre

#### FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Biology Chemistry Computing Science Dispensing Opticianry Earth and Environmental Sciences Engineering Hearing Instrument Practitioner Mathematics Sport Science (includes Bachelor of Physical Education and Coaching) Veterinary Technology "I signed up for the Switzerland exchange program so I could show employers I was willing to take on challenges and step out of my comfort zone. An international career is something I've always aimed for, and this exchange program was a great way to make connections abroad."

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#### SUPUN THALAGALA Bachelor of Business Administration – Financial Services graduate, Douglas College

"When you're in a new place, you have no choice but to branch out. In Spain, I've learned that I have to put myself in uncomfortable positions to make friends or order food. Now, I can tell future employers that I studied abroad in a country where I didn't speak the language. I've developed tools for how to learn more effectively, how to better work in groups and how to communicate with non-English speakers. I highly recommend everyone do a semester abroad!"

AINSLEY GIRVAN Criminology student, Douglas College

"Coming to Douglas for a year-long exchange has given me a lot of new experiences. I get to study in a new environment and take unique courses that aren't offered at home. My exchange coordinator made the whole process very easy, answering my questions right away and helping me get settled at Douglas. I was well taken care of and felt very welcomed."

#### ALEXANDRA OBERMAIER

Exchange student, FH Kufstein Tirol University, Austria

INTERNATIONAL partnerships

Douglas College is proud to partner with post-secondary institutions around the world, offering students opportunities to grow and enrich their learning in new environments.

#### PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

- Student exchange and semester study
- Faculty exchange and professional development • Field schools
- Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)
- Dual degree programs
- Joint research and conferences
- Degree completion and articulation
- Summer programs
- Teacher training
- Customized academic programming

• Language and cultural immersion

Currently, Douglas has partnership agreements with 40 post-secondary institutions in 18 countries.



SWEDEN

AUSTRIA

UNITED KINGDOM (WALES)

SPAIN

FRANCE

NETHERLANDS

UNITED STATES

SWITZERLAND

and Technology Jiujiang Vocational University Lingnan University (Hong Kong) Shaanxi Polytechnic Institute Shanghai Administration Institute Shanghai Normal University Shanghai University of International Business and Economics

CZECHIA VSB-Technical University of Ostrava DENMARK Absalon University College **Business Academy Aarhus** Satakunta University of Applied Sciences ISC Paris Business School The Université Lumière Lyon 2 Université de Tours University of Trento Japan Hotel School Kyoto University of Foreign Studies Momoyama Gakuin University Osaka International University Rikkyo University Toyo University

FINLAND

UZBEKISTAN

DENMARK

CZECHIA

ITALY

#### KOREA

VIETNAM

Busan University of Foreign Studies Dankook University Konkuk University Woosong University NETHERLANDS Fonty's International Business School Hanze University of Applied Sciences SPAIN University of Alcala University of Vic SWEDEN University West SWITZERLAND Bern University of Applied Sciences TAIWAN REGION National Central University UNITED KINGDOM (WALES) University of Wales Trinity St. David UNITED STATES Columbia University

KOREA

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CHINA

University of California Berkley University of California Riverside UZBEKISTAN Navoi State Pedagogical Institute VIETNAM Ton Duc Thang University

JAPAN

AUSTRALIA

Douglas College is a member of University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific (UMAP), a voluntary association of government and non-government representatives of the higher education sector that promotes student exchanges in Asia and the Pacific.



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