



UBC
Summer Science
Program



THE UNIVERSITY
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Centre for Excellence in
Indigenous Health

UBC Summer Science Program 2026

Program Application

Thank you so much for taking the time to apply to the UBC Summer Science Program!

This application will take approximately one hour to complete.

Please have the following information ready.

- Indigenous Ancestry; community name and phone number
- Status number or Citizenship number (if available)
- Current home and mailing address, phone numbers, email addresses
- School information (counsellor/mentor/teacher/coach: name, email, phone number)
- Reference letter (written or oral/phone reference by school/community referee)
- Interest in Summer Science (see page 3 for more information)
- Description of any diverse learning needs
- Bursary application (if applicable)

UBC Summer Science 2026 will be running in-person from August 2nd – August 15th. There are two sessions for Summer Science.

The **first week** (August 2nd – August 8th) is reserved for students going into grades 11 or 12 in September 2026.

The **second week** (August 9th – August 15th) is reserved for students going into grades 9 or 10 in September 2026.

Instructions:

Please fill out this form in its entirety (except where 'optional' is indicated).

You may either:

1. Fill out the Qualtrics application and reference letter field (or upload a PDF copy of your reference letter) in your browser. If completing the application online, a signature can be added by dragging the mouse on the appropriate signature box. Link:
https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6KIFjrARswpAeua
2. Save the Word Document and fill it out on your computer, save the completed version to your files, and email it to summer.science@ubc.ca. Please remember to include attachments for supporting documents.
3. Print out the form, fill it in by hand, scan it or take a picture, and email it to summer.science@ubc.ca. Please remember to include attachments.
4. If you are completing the application by hand and prefer to mail it in, our mailing address is:
Centre for Excellence in Indigenous Health
c/o Summer Science, Program Manager
2206 East Mall
Vancouver, BC, V6T 1Z3

There is also a Word Document copy of the application form on the UBC Summer Science Website that can be printed out. Here is the link to our website:

<https://health.indigenous.ubc.ca/ssp-applications/>

Please do not attach reference letters or applications as google documents, JPEG, or PNG.

Got questions? Send us an email or call the Program Manager, Georgia: (778) 968-0437

To complete your submission, you will need:

1. One reference letter*: Your referee should share why they think you should be accepted into the UBC Summer Science Program. Referees can be staff at your school, mentors, coaches, community mentors (for example an Elder or community leader), etc.

***Reference letters can be provided in a written *and/or* oral form. If you prefer to provide an oral reference, please indicate your referee's contact information and the Summer Science team will reach out to them directly. Alternatively, reference letters can be uploaded as a word/PDF document or written into the fillable field in on page 11.**

2. You will need to write long-answer responses* (approximately 3-5 sentences or 100 words) to questions describing your interest in summer science, interest in school and recreation, your future education goals, and your connection to your culture.

***The Summer Science Program continues to have competitive acceptance (we receive more applications than space available) and we encourage you to include as much information as possible in your long-answer responses.**

The registration questions are as follows (please answer in 3-5 sentences per question)

- Why would you like to attend Summer Science?
- What are your interests in school?
- What are your interests outside of school (extra curriculars, hobbies, etc.)?
- What are your future education and/or career goals?
- Describe how you are connected to your culture.
- Describe any relevant information about diverse learning needs, so we can prepare to support you at camp (e.g., learning disabilities, dietary accommodations, etc.).
- The bursary application is open for students who demonstrate need for financial support with the fees for the program and/or transportation (fuel, ferry, or airfare).

It is important to note that only complete applications (*with* reference letters/phone calls) will be reviewed by Summer Science staff. If you need support completing your application, or have a questions or concerns about the application, please don't hesitate to reach out.

We look forward to reviewing your application and hope to see you this summer!



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Section 1: Student Information

Student First Name

Middle Name (optional)

Student Last Name

Date of Birth (Month Day, Year)

Age on date of submission

In September 2026, what grade will you be in?



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Student cellphone number (*optional*; this is recorded for airport/ferry pickups, fieldtrips, and walks on campus. Your cellphone number is shared with only the Program Manager)

Student email address (*optional*; we will email a copy of the acceptance package to you and your primary caregiver. Your email address is shared with only the program planning team)

Student home address (unit number, street number, street name)

City, Province, Postal Code

Student mailing address (*optional*; if it is different than your home address). Include unit/PO box number, city, province, postal code, and country



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Indigenous Ancestry (First Nations, Inuit, or Métis)

Community/Band Name

Community/Band Phone Number

Status Number or Métis Citizenship Number (if available)

Gender

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Two-spirit
- ☐ Non-binary
- ☐ Transgender
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Prefer Not to Say

Pronouns

- ☐ She/her
- ☐ He/him
- ☐ She/they
- ☐ He/they
- ☐ They/them
- ☐ Other: _____

What is a pronoun?

“Pronouns are words that are used to refer to people without using their name, such as he, she, or they. Pronouns are an important part of who we are.” (UBC Equity and Inclusion, 2025).

If you prefer not to list your pronouns, please explain how you would like to be referred. (e.g., Camp staff can use any pronouns to speak to me; I prefer if camp staff do not use pronouns and only use my name”, etc.)

Accommodation Preferences

We organize the accommodation wings by gender identity. This means all students will be on one floor, with a lounge and staircase exit between the two wings. The building is an L-shape, and there are staff rooms at the ends of each hallway and in the middle of each wing. Nametags are provided on the first day of camp.

- ☐ I prefer to be in the accommodation wing with female-identifying campers
- ☐ I prefer to be in the accommodation wing with male-identifying campers
- ☐ I prefer to be in the wing with non-binary and transgender identifying campers
- ☐ I have no preference
- ☐ I prefer co-ed accommodation wings
- ☐ Other: _____

What is your T-shirt size? (options are in adult sizes)

- ☐ X-Small
- ☐ Small
- ☐ Medium
- ☐ Large
- ☐ X-Large
- ☐ 2X-Large
- ☐ Other _____



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Section 2: Caregiver and Emergency Contact Information

Caregiver (Parent/Guardian, etc.) First and Last Name

Relationship to Student

Caregiver Primary (Home/Cell) Phone Number

Caregiver Alternate Phone Number (Cellphone; optional)

Caregiver Primary Email Address

Secondary (Emergency) Contact Information: If my caregiver is not available, the secondary contact is (parent, sibling, aunt/uncle, grandparent, school counsellor, etc.)

Relationship to Student

First and Last Name of Secondary Contact

Secondary Contact Phone Number

Secondary Contact Email Address



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Section 3: School and Reference Information

School Name _____

School Location (community/nation/city name) _____

School Phone Number _____

School Contact - First and Last Name (Receptionist/Principal/Counsellor/Advisor)

School Contact's Email Address

Referee First and Last Name _____

Referee Phone Number _____

Relationship to Student (Counsellor/Advisor/Mentor/Coach/Teacher/Community Member)

Referee's Email Address



Only applications with *completed* references will be considered for acceptance to the program.

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Section 5: Bursary Application (optional)

There is a \$200 program fee for Summer Science. This fee goes towards accommodation and meals during the program. All other expenses (cultural workshops, science-based workshops, admissions and transportation during fieldtrips, etc.) are covered. The program fee does not include travel to and from Vancouver. You may apply for one or both bursaries if travel (fuel, ferry, or airfare) support is needed. Students are encouraged to apply for funding from their band or school district to support program fees and travel costs. If no other funding is available, please fill out the bursary question below and describe why the bursary would help.

Please check one of the following boxes:

- ☐ I need to apply for only the **program** bursary (\$200)
- ☐ I need to apply for only the **travel** bursary (amount determined upon acceptance)
- ☐ I need to apply for **both** the program bursary and the travel bursary
- ☐ I **do not need** to apply for the program or travel bursary
(a payment link will be sent upon acceptance)
- ☐ I will be receiving funding from my nation, community, or school

Please indicate the contact information for the individual paying the program fee

Payee Name _____

Payee Phone Number _____

Relationship to Student (Caregiver, Nation/Community, School)

Payee Email Address



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Please describe how the bursary will help. This answer can include financial circumstances or personal challenges that create barriers for you to attend Summer Science without a bursary.

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Section 6: How did you hear about Summer Science?

Where did you hear about the UBC Summer Science Program? Please tick all that apply

- ☐ Band/Community Office
- ☐ School
- ☐ Family/Friend
- ☐ Past Attending Student
- ☐ Word of Mouth
- ☐ Social Media (Instagram, Facebook)
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Promotional Poster
- ☐ Gathering Our Voices Conference (March 17-20, 2026)
- ☐ Squamish Nation Youth Conference (November 7, 2025)
- ☐ Elder's Gathering (August 26 and 27, 2025)
- ☐ Kwakwaka'wakw Health Career Fair Gathering
- ☐ Rural eMentoring Program
- ☐ GeeringUP
- ☐ Other

If other, please explain:

Thank you for completing the UBC Summer Science Program 2026 application! You can expect to hear back from us between June 15-30, 2026.

Your application is complete. Please email the Word Document to summer.science@ubc.ca.

Got questions? Call the Program Manager, Georgia Street at (778) 968 0437 or send us an email.

We hope to see you this summer!