Welcome to Discovery Days!

Our names are Elijah and Dayna, and we’re your Discovery Day hosts! Together we started our journey in the Recreation and Sport Management program here at VIU in September 2017. We first met each other while trying to find our text books in the Campus Store. Since then, our friendship has blossomed as we continue to support each other through our academic studies. We’re both moving into the Bachelor of Tourism Management program starting in September 2019 to continue our learning within the field of recreation and tourism.

The atmosphere at VIU is incredibly welcoming and friendly, making it an easy place to make friends and build connections. One of our favourite things about VIU is the small class sizes because they create an inclusive and accepting environment. They also give students an opportunity to engage and connect with professors on both a professional and personal level; you’re not just a number on an attendance sheet!

We’re thrilled to have you on campus! Let us offer you an exciting and engaging university experience!
Event Schedule

9:30 – 10:30 am
Pep Rally
VIU Gymnasium
Bldg. 190

10:30 am – 12 pm
Faculty Open Houses
See Faculty pages 9-18

12 – 1 pm
Lunch
Upper Cafeteria
Bldg. 300

Fun Fair
Malaspina Theatre
Bldg. 310

1 – 2:30 pm
Faculty Open Houses
See Faculty pages 9-18
Present this voucher in the VIU Campus Store and get a VIU hoodie for only $19.99 plus tax

While supplies last
One coupon per student
This coupon has no cash value
Expires 02/28/2019

Pizza Lunch

Present this coupon for your **FREE** pizza lunch!

12 – 1 pm
Building 300
Upper Cafeteria

**Toppings:**
- Pepperoni
- Cheese
- Vegetarian
- Ham and Pineapple
Nanaimo Campus Map
Instagram Contest

Take a pic or video of your favorite activity during your visit to VIU, post it to Instagram with the hash tag #DiscoverVIU and you will be entered into our draw to win one of three awesome prizes!

- **Apple AirPods**
  - In-Ear Bluetooth Headphones with Mic

- **Google Home**
  - White/Slate

- **GoPro HERO7**
  - Waterproof HD Sports & Helmet Camera

For your convenience, free WiFi has been provided for the day. From your Settings select viu-secure. You will be redirected to a log-in page.

**WiFi login**

- **Username:**
  - StuNumber01
  - StuNumber02
  - StuNumber03
  - StuNumber04
  - StuNumber05
  - StuNumber06
  - StuNumber07
  - StuNumber08
  - StuNumber09
  - StuNumber10

- **Password:** VIU4you!

*Both are case sensitive.*
Education

Are you a lifelong learner who dreams of inspiring and helping others to embrace the same goal?

Get started on your career in education at VIU, where you can share your love of learning, celebrate cultural diversity, guide stewardship of our planet, and value the uniqueness and potential of individuals in your future classroom.

Your personal and professional goals for a career in education will be fully supported by instructors who offer personal attention and a strong commitment to your success. Learn and grow in teacher education programs that provide you with the practical skills for your career.

**Bachelor Degree**
- Bachelor of Education
- Physical Education/ Kinesiology (Major, Minor)

**Diploma**
- Physical Education Diploma

**Discovery Days Open House**

**The Skeleton Inside**
Bldg. 356 Rm. 242

Join students and faculty from the Sport, Health and Physical Education department in the Anatomy Lab as we explore the basics of human anatomy. Using REAL human skeletons, muscle, joint and organ models, we will uncover some of the amazing anatomy inside every one of us. Learn about identifying muscles involved in common movements and being active while in the classroom.

**Teaching & Education:**
A World of Possibilities for you to Explore!
Bldg. 356 Rm. 219

Come and explore the many opportunities available in the field of teaching. Find out how teacher education at VIU can support you in becoming a collaborative and inquiry based educator. Learn more about overseas teaching, about enhancing student learning through the use of technology, and about creating personalized learning environments. Be the teacher you dreamed of having! Find out how our program can support you in becoming a teacher directly after high school.
Trades and Applied Technology

Are you interested in a fast-paced, hands-on career in a trades or applied technology field? The future is bright for individuals who have the practical education, training and expertise that is in high demand – now and in the future.

Learn from dedicated, professional instructors who will share their real-world experience with you. Gain confidence with access to advanced technologies and equipment that will fast-track you for success in more than 20 trades and technical fields.

Be your best and most confident self with the highest standards of education and training delivered by skilled instructors who know the industry and the employment needs of the marketplace.

**Diploma**

- Culinary Management (Apprenticeship, Co-op)
- Information Technology and Applied Systems

**Certificate**

- Aboriginal Construction (Apprenticeship)
- Applied Business Technology
- Automotive Service Technician (Apprenticeship)
- Carpentry (Apprenticeship)
- Culinary Arts (Apprenticeship, Co-op)
- Electrician (Apprenticeship)

- First Nations Housing Manager
- Hairstylist Foundation Certificate Program
- Heavy Equipment Operator
- Heavy Mechanical Trades Foundation (Apprenticeship)
- Horticultural Technician Foundation
- Motorcycle and Marine Technician (Apprenticeship)
- Power Engineering/Process Operator - 4th Class
- Professional Baking and Pastry Arts (Apprenticeship)
- Professional Esthetics
- Refrigeration Air-Conditioning Mechanic (Apprenticeship)
- Welding (Apprenticeship)
Discovery Day Open House

**Carpentry**  
Bldg. 108  
Join faculty in the Carpentry Shop for a nail pounding contest and participate in assembling a residential building component.

**Power Engineering**  
Bldg. 180, Rm. 316  
Come and see what a Power Engineer does, and check out what makes steam useful compared to other form of energy! Participate in a presentation, a hands-on experimentation with a process and a refrigeration trainer, and a demonstration of simulation software of an industrial boiler that includes 3D field operation of a fully functioning boiler system (a mini live steam plant!)

**Information Technology and Applied Systems**  
Bldg. 180, Rm. 153 & 156  
Visit the Information Technology and Applied Systems (ITAS) program in their classroom space. Watch as ITAS faculty demonstrate networking simulators and other IT related applications. Current VIU students will demonstrate their programming abilities in robotics and 3D printing.

**Horticulture**  
Trades Discovery Space Bldg. 108  
Come see Horticulture’s vibrant display of student cultivated crop (vegetables, nursery stock, greenhouse potted plants and cut flowers). Try your hand at seeding microgreens and building a terrarium.

**Applied Business Technology**  
Accounting Assistant, Administrative Assistant, and Legal Administrative Assistant  
Trades Discovery Space Bldg. 108, Rm. 105  
Visit the Applied Business Technology display to pick up some information and chat with the staff who are happy to answer any questions about the program and the exciting office assistant careers it prepares you for.

**Hairdressing**  
Bldg. 164  
Take a guided tour of the Hairdressing Building. Check out the tools and work of current hairdressing students, who will demonstrate a variety of daily hairdressing skills on mannequins and encourage visitors to try. Hairdressing Instructors and current students are available to answer any questions.

**Welding**  
Bldg. 108 & Bldg. 130  
VIU’s welding simulators are set up in the Trades Discovery Space (Bldg. 108) to allow you to check out some demos and then try hands on welding with the augmented welders. Tour the Welding Shop (Bldg. 130) as well.

**Automotive**  
Bldg. 150  
Participate in a NASCAR wheel changing competition in the Automotive Shop.
Arts and Humanities

Do you feel the need to create, search for the meaning of life and gain the skills you need to succeed in a rapidly changing world? Arts and Humanities programs at VIU cultivate intellectual creativity, passion and transformation. Discover the diverse diploma and degree options available to you as you prepare for university studies.

Arts and Humanities programs are inclusive, celebrate self-investigation and develop employability skills like independent thinking, effective communication, research methods and ethical decision-making. The scope of Arts and Humanities programs at VIU features a broad perspective that builds unique opportunities for lifelong learning and career exploration.

**Bachelor Degree**
- BA English (Honours, Major, Minor)
- Creative Writing and Journalism (Major, Minor)
- Digital Media Studies (Major, Minor)
- Economics (Major, Minor)
- First Nations Studies (Major, Minor)
- History (Honours, Major, Minor)
- Languages and Culture (Romance Languages) (Minor)
- Media Studies (Minor)
- Studies in Women and Gender (Major, Minor)
- Theatre (Minor)
- Visual Art (Major, Minor)
- Music in Jazz
- Graphic Design
- Interior Design

**Diploma**
- Theatre Diploma
- Jazz

**Certificate**
- Proficiency in Language and Culture Certificate
Discovery Days Open House

**Theatre**
Bldg 310

Join Eliza, Robin and Leon at 10:30 am in the Malaspina Theatre for a tour of the facility including front of house, tech booth, and backstage, plus views of the print production Oedipus Rex in progress. Visitors will get to see rehearsals, set build, and general preparation for the March performances.

**English**
Bldg. 345, Rm. 102

Meet English faculty member Nicole Klan as she introduces you to the study of English. Join her from 10:30-11 am in Bldg. 345, Rm. 102 for some fun activities, and engaging projects. *(Tuesday, Feb 26 only)*

**Graphic Design**
Bldg. 325, Rm. 207

Come check out our new media and web design technology in the Graphic Design program from 10-11; this hands-on, experiential program features illustration, animation, production, marketing, editorial and exhibit design, offering graphic designers a chance to develop skills that are in demand in today's economy.

**Journalism**
Bldg. 345, Rm. 211

Participate in an interactive and informative session on Journalism with faculty member Joy Gugeler. Learn about VIU’s Portal Magazine, internships, portfolios, author visits, The Navigator and much more. There will be giveaways. This session takes place from 10-11 am in Bldg. 345, Rm. 211. *(Tuesday, Feb 26 only)*

**Creative Writing**
Bldg. 345, Rm. 103

Participate in a model script workshopping session with Creative Writing's Frank Moher. A script will be read aloud and discussed. This session takes place from 10-11 am in Bldg. 345, Rm. 103. *(Wednesday, Feb 27 only)*

**Music**
Bldg. 320, Rm. 105

Sit in on an exciting percussion ensemble from 11-12 pm, led by extremely talented faculty, internationally acclaimed saxophonist Ryan Oliver, and some highly talented 3rd and 4th year students. Visiting students will be involved in a jam that involves body percussion exercises.

**Visual Arts**
Bldg. 325

Join Visual Art instructor Gregory Ball from 1-2 pm in Bldg. 325 for art building tours including stops in the ceramic, printmaking, sculpture, and painting studios.

**History**
Bldg. 345, Room 213

Experience the Canadian Letters and Images Project with History faculty member Tim Lewis. Student researchers share information about the ongoing work of this unique online archive of the Canadian war experience as told through letters and images by Canadians. This session will take place from 1-2 pm in Bldg. 345, Rm. 213.
Health and Human Services

Do you want to make an impact in the lives of others? Consider a stimulating career where you can make a meaningful difference!

Choose from a wide range of programs in health or human services, and find the support that will make a difference in your success. Your goals and aspirations are a priority for experienced, inspiring instructors who lead the programs. Prepare for a wide range of careers and be exposed to many opportunities for community-based learning where instructors are known for their real-world experience and passion for the field.

Health and Human Services programs will help launch your career with the confidence, skills and knowledge required for success.

**Bachelor Degree**
- Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care
- Bachelor of Social Work
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing

**Diploma**
- Child and Youth Care Diploma
- Early Childhood Education and Care Diploma
- Social Services Diploma
- Dental Hygiene

- Practical Nursing

**Certificate**
- Education Assistant and Community Support
- Animal Care Aide
- Community Health Promotion for Aboriginal Communities
- Community Mental Health Worker
- Dental Assistant
- Health Care Assistant
- Hospital Unit Coordinator
- Medical Device Reprocessing Technician

**Discovery Days Open House**

**Tuesday, February 26  Bldg. 210 Rm. 390**
**Wednesday, February 27  Bldg. 210 Rm. 255**

**Dental Hygiene Diploma**
Visit the Dental Hygiene Diploma program for information and dental swag. You can also take a tour of the dental clinic. Students can enter a draw for an Oral B electric toothbrush with Bluetooth technology (retail value approx. $200).

**BA in Child and Youth Care**
Come out and meet Child and Youth Care (CYC) Faculty member Teri Derksen at the CYC information table from 10:30 – 12:00. You can get information about the Child and Youth Care program and check out some videos on the exciting work that CYC students do in the community.
Management

If you love a challenge and strive for a career where you can make a difference in our fast-paced, complex and ever-changing world, then VIU’s Management programs are for you. If you want to match your passion for people and progressive, stimulating environments with a dynamic career, then check out VIU’s Business, Tourism, Recreation and Hospitality programs.

Dedicated, experienced instructors are here to help you explore your ambitions and interests, guide your learning and help you discover future opportunities in a wide variety of careers. Apply your new knowledge in a practical context through special projects, internships, field work, co-ops and practicums.

Bachelor Degree

- Bachelor of Business Administration, Majors and Minors offered in Accounting, Economics, Financial Services, Human Resources Management, International Business, Management and Marketing
- Bachelor of Hospitality Management (Co-op)
- Bachelor of Tourism Management (Co-op)

Diploma

- Diploma in Business Administration
- Hospitality Management Diploma (Co-op)
- Recreation and Sport Management (Co-op)
- Tourism Studies (Co-op)

Certificate

- Certificate in Business Management
- Certificate in Adventure Tourism and Recreation
- Event Management Certificate – online only
- Wine Business

Discovery Day Open House

Faculty of Management
Bldg. 250

Participate in activities that allow you to become familiar with our programs, courses, and classrooms, and take the opportunity to spend time with faculty, staff, and students from our programs. Students should check in at Bldg. 250.

Activities will include:

- Q&A with undergraduate program advisors
- Mini-lectures on topics in Recreation, Tourism, Hospitality & Business
- Meet with faculty and staff in our exchange area and have a conversation
- Participate in our Business Jeopardy game
- Take a short tour of the Faculty of Management Building
Social Sciences

Do you thrive on being connected, working with others to make a difference, embracing diversity and transcending different cultural settings? A social sciences education will shape how you think and give you critical skills for work and life. Social Science programs foster success in a wide variety of careers and support entry to law school and graduate programs.

With the dedicated support and guidance of talented, deeply experienced instructors, you will broaden your perspectives to discover a future path. Learn how to communicate your ideas clearly and effectively while tackling complex problems. These highly valuable skills will help you find your niche in a rapidly changing world and job market.

Bachelor Degree

- Anthropology (Major, Minor)
- BA Geography (Major, Minor)
- BA Psychology (Honours, Major, Minor)
- Criminology (Major, Minor)
- Global Studies (Major, Minor)
- Liberal Studies (Major, Minor)
- Philosophy (Honours, Major, Minor)
- Political Studies (Major, Minor)
- Sociology (Honours, Major, Minor)

Diploma

- Diploma in Criminology

Certificate

- Addiction Studies Certificate
- Legal Studies Certificate

Discovery Days Open House

Faculty of Social Science
Bldg. 356, Rm. 111

Visit Social Science's dynamic Open House experience, featuring an opportunity to learn about our programs and our research and learning opportunities. Meet with faculty members, talk to current students, tour our classrooms and discover career paths beyond a Social Sciences degree. Students should check in at Bldg. 356, Rm. 111.

Students visiting the Social Science Open House can also find out about the amazing Field Schools, Exchange Programs and International Internship Programs available to VIU students from the team from Education Abroad. For those with an interest in research, visit the Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity table to hear about the exciting research opportunities available to undergraduate students at VIU.
Science and Technology

If you enjoy exploration, discovery and the opportunity to apply what you have learned to achieve your goals in life, look no further than VIU’s Science and Technology programs!

Discover your path to a career in science and technology. Mentorship, hands-on-learning, and opportunities for undergraduate research in labs and in the field make VIU’s Science and Technology programs stand apart.

Move into successful careers with the guidance of instructors who care about your success and who help you connect your learning to a distinct and exciting future.

Bachelor Degree

- Bachelor of Natural Resource Protection
- Bachelor of Science (BSc), Honours, Majors, Minors, and Transfer
- BSc Biology (Honours, Major, Minor)
- BSc Chemistry (Major, Minor)
- BSc Computing Science (Co-op, Major, Minor)
- BSc Earth Science (Minor)
- BSc Psychology (Major, Minor)
- Mathematics (Major, Minor)

Diploma

- Diploma in Computing Science
- Fisheries and Aquaculture Technology (Co-op)
- Forest Resources Technology
- Resource Management Officer Technology

Certificate

- Fundamentals of Engineering Certificate Program

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Biology
Bldg. 370, Rm. 218
Attend a “Biology Quiz Walk’ in Bldg. 370, Rm. 218 that will engage you in thinking about all aspects of Biology while touring the labs and classrooms.

Chemistry
Bldg. 210 on the 4th Floor
Participate in the Chemistry scavenger hunt (with prizes) from 10-2 and check out exciting Chemistry demos at 1:30 in Bldg. 210 on the 4th Floor.

Fisheries and Aquaculture
Bldg. 380
Take a tour of the Fisheries and Aquaculture program from 11-12 and 1-2, starting from Bldg. 380.

Earth Sciences
Bldg. 370, Rm. 107
Participate in a group mapping project with Earth Sciences. Meet in Bldg. 370, Rm. 107 for a short tour around Environmental Sciences and map some of the boulders, take some structural measurements and photos and make some observations of the rock types and environments of formation.
Shq'apthut - A Gathering Place

All campus community members are welcome at Shq’apthut. It is a gathering place and home away from home for First Nations, Status, Non-Status, Métis and Inuit students. Elders-in-Residence are available at Shq’apthut five days a week to assist you with matters that arise at each stage of your student experience. Shq’apthut is also a place where cultural, academic, recreational, and social activities are promoted and celebrated. There are numerous feasts, success workshops and other community events that we encourage all students to participate in throughout the year.

Services

- Explore and develop your educational and career goals in a supported environment
- Seek spiritual/cultural guidance from our Elders-in-Residence
- Change programs and courses, and get assistance with timetabling and registration
- Find information about funding options for Status and Métis students as well as Aboriginal bursaries, scholarships, awards and student loans
- Get assistance finding accommodations and daycare
- Access a range of academic workshops and one-on-one writing and research opportunities
- Participate in and witness traditional cultural presentations from the four Vancouver Island Nations (Coast Salish, Nuu chah nulth, Kwakwaka’wakw and Métis)

Discovery Day Open House

Shq'apthut - A Gathering Place
Bldg. 170

Come down to Bldg. 170 and meet Education Advisors, Indigenous Navigators, and VIU’s Elders-in-Residence and learn about the great supports for Aboriginal students on campus. Have an informal discussion about university life and programs offered at VIU in our beautiful Gathering Place. Come meet a ‘Su’luqw’a’ – Community Cousin and hear their journey as a student
Academic and Career Preparation

Whether you are missing courses required for university, want to finish high school, or need to prepare for success in an academic program or employment, get started on a path that helps you get to where you want to go. You will gain new confidence in your abilities with the full support of caring, dedicated instructors.

**Certificate**
- Aboriginal University Bridging Program Certificate
- Academic and Career Preparation
- High School Equivalency (ABE)
- Workplace Essential Skills and Training Program

**Courses**
- Upgrading (High School Equivalency - ABE)
- Foundations for Success

VIU also offers literacy programs to provide Math and English courses to students who need fundamental skills.

**Discovery Days Open House**

**Academic and Career Preparation**
Bldg. 205, Rm. 215 and Bldg. 200, Rm. 105

Participate in a tour of our facility (given by the students in the Workplace and Essential Skills Training program), discuss potential career opportunities with our faculty and find out about upgrading for university studies. Come by the information table in Bldg. 205, Rm. 215 and get information about any of the Academic and Career Preparation courses. As a special treat, Faculty member Tom Leavitt will be presenting “The Physics of Music” from 1:00-1:45 in Bldg. 200, Rm. 105 (Wednesday, Feb 27 only).
Choose a program that’s right for you

Every journey begins with a choice. Whether you choose to explore your options or know what direction you’re heading in, we can help you get there.

Not sure where to start? Fill in the blanks

My favourite subject in school is (was) ______________________________________________________

I want to work with ________________________________________________________________

When I have free time I like to _______________________________________________________

I want to make a difference by _______________________________________________________
Three steps to applying

1. Start online at viu.ca/apply. You can apply online, in-person or by mail.

2. Submit your application and pay the application fee of $40.10

3. Submit your supporting documents
Provide your Personal Education Number (PEN); out of province applicants will need to provide an official transcript. Some programs require an interim transcript, an assessment test, a personal profile, and/or a resume or letter of intent.
Send printed applications and all supporting documents to:
Registration Centre
Vancouver Island University
900 Fifth Street
Nanaimo, BC V9R 5S5

Questions?
Connect with our VIU Student Recruiters
We hope you have a great day exploring VIU!
If you’re thinking about beginning your studies at VIU, connect with the Recruitment Team and get your questions answered.

We are here to help!
Connect with us at:
250.740.6672
viuconnect@viu.ca
VIU Discovery Night for Parents

Everything parents need to know to support their child on their post-secondary journey

Join us!

Monday, March 4
7-9 pm
Beban Park Auditorium—Room 1

viu.ca/parents-night