PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLY FOR THE VSCP.
If you do not follow the instructions provided, your application may not be received by our office.

Once the online application is started, it can be saved and completed at a different time. The VSCP office recommends that students complete the application all at once to avoid confusion. Applications are not complete until your email address is confirmed and the application fee is paid.

1. To start the application, copy and paste the link below into your web browser. You should follow along with this document as you go through the application process.

   https://gandalf.registrar.ualberta.ca/Admission/Application/start-page

2. Click on the yellow ‘Start Application’ button
3. Answer **NO** to ‘Are you currently enrolled as a student at the University of Alberta?’
4. Answer **YES** or **NO** to ‘Are you a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada?’ question.

5. Enter your ‘Legal First Name’ and ‘Legal Last/Family Name’. Select your ‘Gender’ and enter in your ‘Birthdate’ and ‘E-mail’. Make sure that you enter in your full name as it appears on your passport. Your full name on this application **MUST** be the same as your full name on your passport.

Click on the ‘**Start Application**’ button to continue.
6. **E-mail Validation**: Check your e-mail account to see if you received an e-mail from do_not_reply@registrar.ualberta.ca. The e-mail subject should be called University of Alberta: Admission Application Information. Follow the instructions in the e-mail to continue your application. This step allows the University of Alberta to make sure that your e-mail address works. Be sure to check your junk mail or spam filters for important e-mail sent from the University of Alberta. *Applicants should use their own personal e-mail address to protect privacy.*

- **Email Validation**
  
  Please provide us with a personal email address that you have access to. Before you are provided with a UAlberta email account, the University will be sending you important information to your personal account. In accordance with our Electronic Communications Policy, in submitting an application for admission and providing an email address, you consent to communicate electronically with the University of Alberta, where the University chooses to do so.

  You should receive an email validation confirmation shortly. If you do not see this email in your inbox, please check your junk/spam folder. If you do not receive your validation email within 24 hours, please try again using an account from a different email provider or contact Student Connect.

- **Complete the Personal Information section. You must answer all questions with a red asterisk**

7. Please enter your **Place of Birth**, **Country of Citizenship**, and **First Language**. You do not need to provide an Alberta Student Number (unless you have studied in Alberta before), or UAlberta Student ID.
8. **Citizenship Status**: Select the option that describes your citizenship status in Canada.

9. **Correspondence (Mailing) Address**: Please provide your mailing address. This is the address that will be on your Admission Letter.

10. **Emergency Contact**: Enter the name of the person that we should contact in your home country in case of an emergency.
11. **Hometown**: Answer YES or NO to the ‘Is your hometown different from your correspondence address?’ question.

12. Click on ‘Next’ to save your answers. To continue your application, click ‘next’.

**Complete the Academic History section. You must answer all questions with a red asterisk.**

13. **Previous and Current Secondary Education (High School)**: Answer YES or NO to the ‘Have you written or will you write International Baccalaureate (IB) or Advanced Placement (AP) College Board examinations?’ question.

14. **Secondary Education (High School)**: VSCP applicants must provide high school information, but transcripts are not required. If you attended more than one high school, click the ‘Add School’ button.

15. **Post-secondary Education**: Answer YES or NO to the question ‘Have you attended or are you currently attending a post-secondary institution?’ To be admitted to the VSCP you must be attending a university or college in a country other than Canada.
**Previous and Current Postsecondary Education:** Please provide the information about your current university. If you have attended more than one university or college, click ‘Add Additional Post-secondary School’.

**University Degree:** Answer NO to the question ‘Will you have completed a university degree by the time you wish to begin attendance at the University of Alberta?’

16. **English Language Proficiency:** Please state the number of full-time years of formal education you have had at an institution where the primary language of instruction was English. This does not include ESL courses you have taken in the past.
17. **Educational Tests**: If you have completed an Educational Test (for example: TOEFL, IELTS), please enter in the information. If you have not, you can leave this section blank.

![Educational Tests section](image)

18. Click on ‘Next’ to save your answers. To continue your application, click ‘next’.

**Complete the Academic Programs section.** You must answer all questions with a red asterisk (*).

19. **Indicate Your Intended Status**: Answer the question by selecting the month that you wish to start studying. This should be the same month that your VSCP schedule starts (January, May, July or September).

![Intended Status section](image)
20. **Intended Status**: Select ‘Open Studies’ - **DO NOT** select ‘Visiting Student’.

21. **Please select your preferred program**: Select VSCP.
22. **Study Dates**: Select the time period for your VSCP schedule.

23. **First-year Residence Application**: VSCP students do not qualify as first year residence students. Please select “No.”

You must complete a separate application if you wish to stay in university residences. Please wait for residence application instructions from VSCP staff.

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**First-year Residence Application**

We are pleased to offer qualifying first-year students a guaranteed spot in on-campus residence. In order to be eligible for a guaranteed spot, you must be a first-year student:

- Under 21 years of age at the start of the academic year.
- Attending programs located on the Edmonton campus.
- A current high school student who has completed high school and has not taken any post-secondary courses, OR:
- A current high school student concurrently taking courses at an accredited post-secondary institution, e.g., Dual Credit, Project Tomorrow, OR:
- A high school graduate taking only high school courses at a post-secondary institution, OR:
- A high school graduate who has attended a non-accredited post-secondary institution, OR:
- A high school graduate who has transferred to a university but has not submitted a second application to take courses through Open Studies in the Spring/Summer Terms.

If you meet the first-year requirements, you may apply for residence now, for an additional (non-refundable) application fee of $25.

A wide range of on-campus housing options are available to students in any year of study. Students may apply for residence through the Residence Services website at https://www.residence.ualberta.ca. First-year students that apply for residence now do not need to apply through the Residence Services website. More information about first-year on-campus residence options can be found at https://www.residence.ualberta.ca/prospective-residents/first-year-student.

Applicants who intend to submit multiple applications for the same admission start date should only submit one residence application. Your residence application will be valid for all admission applications that share the same start date.

Applicants who do not meet the criteria for first-year residence, or plan to apply later through the Residence Services website.

Do you wish to apply for residence as a first-year student? *

- Yes, I meet the above criteria and I wish to apply for first-year residence now.
- No, I do not meet the criteria for first-year residence, or I plan to apply later through the Residence Services website.

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**Complete the Declaration Section. You must answer all questions with a red asterisk** *

24. **Transcript Authorization**: Select the statement with the red asterisk *

*Note: this does not apply to VSCP applicants, but every applicant must select this box to complete the application.*
25. **Declaration**: Select the statement with the red asterisk. You must select this box to complete the application.

26. **Student Insight Survey**: This is an optional survey.
Complete the Payment Tab (section). You must answer all questions with a red asterisk.

27. Application Fee Payment: Please use Visa or a Mastercard to pay the $125 application fee. You must pay this fee to complete your application. Click on ‘Submit Credit Card Transaction’ to make your payment.

If you do not receive an e-mail receipt for the payment within 2 hours of completing the payment, please contact the application office by using the form at http://www.registrar.ualberta.ca/contact. There may be a problem processing the payment and as a result the application may not have been successfully submitted. If your credit card requires special authorization to do international payments, please contact your credit card company or bank in advance.

Congratulations! You have successfully submitted your VSCP online application.

Important Information that will be sent to you by E-mail

After you complete the application, you will receive 3 e-mails from the University of Alberta to your personal e-mail account.

1. First E-mail: receipt for application fee payment
2. Second E-mail: Application acknowledgement and University of Alberta ID number
3. Third E-mail: CCID and temporary password so that you can log in to Bear Tracks and your ualberta.ca e-mail account. This may take a few days to receive.
After the third e-mail, the University of Alberta will only contact you by sending e-mails to your ualberta.ca e-mail address, not your personal address.

Students will then get an e-mail in their ualberta.ca account telling them to check Bear Tracks for Important VSCP Document information.

**Residence Application:** It will take 3 business days from the day you receive your CCID for your CCID to be uploaded to the online residence application system. After 3 days, your CCID should work for the online residence application.

**IMPORTANT! Your University of Alberta Admission Offer (Letter of Acceptance)**

It is important to check your ualberta.ca e-mail address and Bear Tracks account regularly for important application information.

Your University of Alberta Admission Offer (Letter of Acceptance) will only be provided to you in your Bear Tracks account.

The letter will be a pdf file which you should use to apply for your Canadian immigration documents. You can save it and print as many copies as you need.

You will NOT receive your Admission Offer (Letter of Acceptance) by e-mail or as a paper document.