



Vantage College

Vantage One Entrance Award

2016 - 2017 APPLICATION

The **Vantage One Entrance Award** recognizes students who demonstrate strong academic achievement, leadership skills, involvement in student affairs and community service. Examples of recognized achievements include the performing arts, sports, debating or creative writing, or external academic competitions and examinations.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be considered for the Vantage One Entrance Award at UBC, the applicant **must**:

- be an international student, who is neither a Canadian citizen nor a permanent resident of Canada, and who will be studying in Canada on a Canadian Study Permit (visa);
- be entering the Vantage One program from a recognized secondary school;
- be applying for their first undergraduate degree;
- be **admissible to the program** they are applying to, including meeting UBC Vantage College's Minimum English requirements (visit www.vantagecollege.ubc.ca/admissions for detailed admissions information);
- have a strong academic record;
- demonstrate a level of financial need.

Entrance Award winners will receive a one-time award during their studies in the Vantage One program. A standard needs-assessment will be made, based on the financial information provided by students and their families.

Results of the Entrance Awards competition will be shared by June 01, 2016. The decision of the Vantage One Award Selection Committee on all applications is final.

Important Dates	
Deadline for applicant to submit the online admission application at https://you.ubc.ca	January 31, 2016
Deadline for school to submit the completed Entrance Award application package, including transcripts (postmarked date)	March 15, 2016
Our office will email you to confirm that we have received your Entrance Award application package. If you have not received an email by this date, contact us.	April 08, 2016
Deadline for applicant to submit any supporting documentation and/or results to the UBC Admissions office not available by January 31 (such as transcripts, financial documentation, TOEFL score)	March 15, 2016
Applicants informed of results of Entrance Award competition	June 01, 2016



INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANT AND SCHOOL

THE APPLICANT:

- 1) The applicant must complete **Sections 1 and 3.**
- 2) **Online Admission Application**

The **deadline for Entrance Award** applicant to complete and submit the **online Admission Application** at <https://you.ubc.ca> and pay the application fee is **Sunday, January 31, 2016.**

- a. **Required Documents for Undergraduate Admission:** see (2) in 'The School' section.
- b. All applicants **must** satisfy the Vantage College's Minimum English requirements – see www.vantagecollege.ubc.ca/admissions. Official test scores must be sent directly to UBC's Undergraduate Admissions office by the testing agency and be received at UBC **by March 15, 2016.**

THE SCHOOL:

- 1) The academic reference must complete **Sections 2.1.**
- 2) **Required Documents for Undergraduate Admission**

Once the online application is submitted, UBC will send the applicant an acknowledgement email detailing what **documents** are required. **Applicants must ensure their school is aware of these document requirements.** For timely evaluation of the admission application, we ask that schools **submit the required documents, if available, with the application package,** by the **deadline of March 15, 2016.**

Transcript(s):

- a) *For high school students:* Grades 9 to 11 and Grade 12 interim/mid-year transcript and if applicable, official mock, pre-board or predicted final grades for courses that are still in progress. In British-patterned education, certified copies of GCSE 'O' Level, GCE 'AS', 'A' Level certificates, and predicted 'AS' or 'A' Level grades are required.

The UBC Admissions Office will accept scanned transcripts and certificates that are uploaded by the student or emailed by the school from an official school email address, but at a later stage will require official transcripts and certificates to formalize any offer of admission.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Transcripts must be in the original language of instruction. If the transcript is in a language other than English, a certified translation by a recognized translation agency must be provided.

Submitting the Entrance Award Application Package

The institution must send the **completed** Entrance application package containing the Entrance application, official transcript(s) and other supporting documentation in a **sealed, school envelope to:**

**The University of British Columbia
Vantage College Awards Committee
2259 Lower Mall
Vancouver, BC, CANADA V6T 1Z4**

We strongly recommend you use international courier services, as regular mail may take several weeks to reach Canada and UBC. **Vantage College will also accept electronic submissions of completed applications: applicants are permitted to complete application forms by hand, scan and email digital copies for consideration to awards@vantagecollege.ubc.ca.** Faxed, late or incomplete packages **cannot be accepted** and UBC is not responsible for Entrance application packages not received by the deadline. **Applicants should keep a copy of their Entrance Award application package.**

Completed packages must be sent and postmarked or emailed by Tuesday, March 15, 2016.



SECTION 1: THE APPLICANT

1.1 APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION

Surname / Last Name _____ First/Given Name _____ Middle Name(s) _____

UBC Student Number _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy) _____ Citizenship _____

I will be an international student studying at UBC on a Canadian Study Permit (visa) Yes No

Mailing Address (correspondence will be sent to this address) _____
Street Address

City _____ Province/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____ Country _____

Telephone (Daytime): _____ Telephone (Evening): _____
Country Code City Code Number Country Code City Code Number

Email: _____

Permanent Address (if different from above) _____
Street Address

City _____ Province/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____ Country _____

Telephone (Daytime): _____ Telephone (Evening): _____
Country Code City Code Number Country Code City Code Number

1.2 PROGRAM OF STUDY

The application for an Entrance Award and the application to a UBC undergraduate program are separate processes. You must submit both to be eligible for the Entrance Award. Applicants for undergraduate programs at UBC may indicate a first and second choice for a Program of Study in their online admission application. A student selected to win an Entrance Award will not be permitted to change their Program of Study until the end of their first year.

Entrance Award funds cannot be applied to pursue joint programs with other academic institutions (for example, the joint UBC/BCIT Bachelor of Science program in Biotechnology or Dual Degree Program at Sciences Po and UBC).

First Choice: _____
Applied Science, Arts, Management, Science

Second Choice: _____
Applied Science, Arts, Management, Science

1.3 DECLARATION

I declare that all information provided by me in this application form is true and accurate, and that the essays and descriptions of extra-curricular/volunteer activities that I have submitted are my original work. I understand that UBC retains the right to verify this information. I agree that all documents submitted as part of this application are authentic and truthful. I state that I have not knowingly concealed any information which might affect the decision of the Awards Committee. **I acknowledge that providing any false or misleading information may result in the cancellation of this application or any award made; and may also be subject to the University's rules on academic conduct making me liable to disciplinary action.**

If I am a recipient of an award, I understand that by signing this declaration, I permit The University of British Columbia to: release to an award donor, University faculty and administrative staff my name, address, email address, telephone number, year and program of study; and release to the Vantage One Awards selection committee members the information provided in this application form; prepare a brief biographical profile to be used for award presentation ceremonies, publications and the internet; and prepare lists of award winners to be published or included in graduation ceremonies.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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Questions? email: awards@vantagecollege.ubc.ca | tel: 1.604.827.0337



The purpose of the following two sections is to give the Selection Committee a rounded picture of who you are as an individual and as a student. Please note that some questions in this section may be similar to questions in the online application for admission to UBC. If so, you may choose to use the same or similar answers or stories in both submissions. Type in Times New Roman 11pt or Arial 10pt or write clearly in ink.

1.4 ESSAY

1.4.1 YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

How do you envision your chosen program of study at UBC helping you reach your long-term career and personal goals? What drives you to achieve your goals? (*Maximum 300 words*)

1.5 EXTRA-CURRICULAR/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES, AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Provide a **maximum of two pages** for 1.5.1 and 1.5.2 (extra pages will not be read):

- 1.5.1 Describe **up to five** of your most recent, significant extracurricular activities and/or community involvement, including:
- the name of the organization/school;
 - the start and end dates (month and year) of the activity;
 - number of hours per week;
 - some specific details about the activity and your role in the activity.

You may use the same activities and descriptions as in the 'Personal Profile' section of your admission application.

- 1.5.2 Tell us which one activity was the most meaningful and why. (*Maximum 200 words*)

*Include your **full name** and **UBC student number** at the top of each essay page.*

***Do not include** CDs, DVDs, copies of certificates, newspaper articles, etc.*

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SECTION 2: THE SCHOOL

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN INK OR TYPE

Name of Applicant _____
Family / Last Name First / Given Name Middle Name(s) UBC Student Number

2.1 TEACHER'S/INSTRUCTOR'S ACADEMIC REFERENCE

Title _____ First Name _____ Last Name _____
(Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr, etc)
Position _____ Signature _____
Work Email _____ Date _____
School/Institution Name _____ School/Institution accredited by _____
School/Institution Website _____ School Mailing Address _____
Street Address

City Province/State Postal/Zip Code Country
Telephone _____
Country Code City Code Number

Subject(s) Taught _____
Number of years I have been teaching _____ Number of students I have taught in my career _____
I have known the Applicant for _____ years. The Applicant is in the top _____ % of my teaching career.

Please candidly answer the following questions in the space provided or attach a **one-page reference letter on school letterhead** if the space is insufficient. If a letter is longer than one page, the additional pages will be discarded. If the reference is in a language other than English, a certified translation by a recognized translation agency must be provided.

a) Comment on the applicant's academic performance including their motivation, capacity for intellectual and social leadership, independence, creativity, ability to take initiative, potential for success in a large North American university, and any extraordinary competence or talent that you have observed:

b) Provide information on the applicant's involvement in extra-curricular, volunteer and community activities:

Signature of Referee Date

Please return this form to the applicant in a sealed, school envelope.

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SECTION 3: APPLICANT'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

3.1 INCOME AND EXPENSES

Present exchange rate of my country's currency to the Canadian dollar (CAD) _____ as of (date) _____
(To convert currencies visit www.xe.com/ucc)

Parent 1/Guardian name _____ Age _____
Parent 1/Guardian occupation _____ Employer _____

Parent 2/Guardian name _____ Age _____
Parent 2/Guardian occupation _____ Employer _____

Parents' marital status: Married Separated/divorced* Other _____

*If your parents are separated or divorced, your noncustodial parent must also submit a financial statement and their most recent tax return. Has either parent remarried? Custodial parent Noncustodial parent Both

REPORT IN CANADIAN DOLLARS

SOURCES OF ANNUAL INCOME BEFORE TAXES	ANTICIPATED INCOME FOR 2016 (January – December 2016)
Parent 1's Gross Earnings	\$
Parent 2's Gross Earnings	\$
Pension	\$
Interest/Dividends/Annuity	\$
Rental income	\$
Income from family business	\$
Other (including income from other family members, investments, etc)	\$
TOTAL INCOME [A]:	\$ [A]

LIST OF FAMILY EXPENSES	ANTICIPATED EXPENSES FOR 2016
Rent or mortgage payments	\$
Food	\$
Utilities	\$
Clothing and household necessities	\$
Education	\$
Medical expenses	\$
Insurance (home/life/etc)	\$
Auto and/or other transportation costs	\$
Entertainment and vacations	\$
Taxes	\$
Other (Specify):	\$
TOTAL EXPENSES [B]:	\$ [B]
NET INCOME = [A] LESS [B]	\$

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3.2 FAMILY WEALTH/ASSETS: Please indicate your family's total wealth below including the value of assets such as property, buildings, investments (stocks, bonds), savings, pensions, etc. Please report in Canadian dollar equivalent.

ASSETS	PRESENT VALUE	AMOUNT OWED
Family home:		\$
Land and buildings (other than home)	\$	\$
Business	\$	\$
Cash/savings	\$	\$
Investments (stocks, bonds, etc)	\$	\$
Retirement savings	\$	\$
Other _____	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$	\$

3.3 How many dependents, including yourself, are or will be in school or university/college during 2016-17 and the following four years? List details. Attach an additional page if needed.

	Applicant	Dependent 1	Dependent 2	Dependent 3
Name and age				
School/University/College Name, City, Country				
Grade/Form/Year Level				
Annual Cost of Attendance (2016/17)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Amount paid by family	\$	\$	\$	\$
Amount of scholarship provided by the school/university/college	\$	\$	\$	\$
Amount provided by other sources – loans, grants, other relatives, friends, etc. Explain.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Start and end dates for school/ university/ college academic year (mm/yy to mm/yy)				

How many persons, including the applicant, are dependent on the family's income? ____ What is their relationship to you? (father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, etc.) _____

3.4 Describe any special circumstances that you think UBC should take into account when assessing your level of financial need and the amount of support your family can provide (attach a separate page if space is insufficient) _____

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3.5 ESTIMATE OF COSTS

Approximate Educational Costs (CAD) for the Vantage One program (September 2016 – July 2017)

Estimated Living Costs	
On campus accommodation and meal plan*	\$13,250
Student fees and transportation**	\$1,700
Extended health coverage and insurance	\$1,000
Personal Expenses***	\$3,800
Tuition costs****	\$37,950
TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS	\$57,700

* Based on a shared room and regular meal plan. Residence and meal plan costs will vary based on individual preference.

** Student fees can vary depending on Vantage One program stream.

*** Personal expenses can vary depending on your lifestyle and spending habits.

**** All fees are approved by the Board of Governors following consultation with students and are subject to change.

Costs NOT included in financial-need estimate

Some costs are not included in the calculation of financial need for the Entrance Award. However, these are costs that you and your family need to consider when planning your budget for study in Canada. They include:

- your travel costs to Canada the first time;
- fees for a Canadian Study Permit (visa);
- any medical clearances (examination or certificate fees) that may be required by Canadian immigration;
- cost of living while staying in Canada during the summer months instead of returning home;
- registration fee for the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) test, if you are required to take it.

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3.6 SOURCES OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Indicate below the expected amount of annual support for each year of your degree program toward your educational costs from all sources. Do NOT list other awards or scholarships from UBC. UBC scholarships cannot be combined; only one UBC scholarship or award can be held at any one time.

SOURCES OF SUPPORT	SUPPORT FOR 2016-2017 (\$ CAD)	SUPPORT FOR FUTURE YEARS		
		Projected support 2017-2018 (CAD)	Projected support 2018-2019 (CAD)	Projected support 2019-2020 (CAD)
Family savings or earnings	\$	\$	\$	\$
Family income from investments, rental property, etc.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loan or grant from government or agency	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other (funding from relatives, friends, scholarship, etc. Specify)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total sources of support	\$	\$	\$	\$

Carry this amount ↑
forward to section 3.8

3.6.1 Do you have a source of emergency funds once you arrive in Canada? Yes No
If YES, name source _____ Amount available \$ _____ CAD

3.7 DOCUMENTATION OF INCOME AND ASSETS

Please provide **two** of the following types of documentation to verify your family income and assets as listed in **Section 3.1**. Such documentation should include the name of the bank or agency or employer, with official stamps and signatures, and date. Please indicate the type of documentation you are sending:

- Most recent Income Tax return(s) of parent(s)
- Statement of annual salary from parent(s)' employer(s)
- If a US citizen applying from the US, a copy of your FAFSA report is required
- Statement/letter from a bank or other financial institution listing all accounts (current, chequing, investment account, etc.) and Account balances

If the documents are not in English or French, an English translation is required.

3.8 DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL NEED

To determine your level of financial need, UBC will look at the costs of your program as estimated in **Section 3.5** in relation to the contribution you and your family can make towards these costs (estimated in **Section 3.6**). Please calculate your net total financial need below:

Costs of your program as estimated in **Section 3.5** \$ **57,700** CAD
Minus total support available as estimated in **Section 3.6** – \$ CAD
Total amount of financial assistance needed for 2016-2017 \$ CAD

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APPLICANT

I, _____ (Applicant's name) hereby declare that I am not able to pursue post-secondary studies at UBC without receiving the level of financial assistance indicated above. I further certify that the statements given by me in this form are true, complete and accurate. Documentation has been attached to support my claim.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I, _____ (parent or guardian name), certify that I have read the information provided by the Applicant on this form, that to the best of my knowledge, it is a true, complete and accurate statement. I further certify that the funds that I have identified as assured and projected are available and will be provided as indicated. **I understand that providing any false or misleading information may be result in the cancellation of this application or any scholarship made.** I have attached documentation to support my claim.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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