

# Vancouver Island University Schools



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Vancouver Island University Schools are recognized by Vancouver Island University (VIU) for their excellence. Each school has established a strong relationship with VIU to ensure that international students from their high school graduation programs transition comfortably to Vancouver Island University. This pathway will help ease students' transition to university and ensure that they have the confidence necessary to succeed as a university student.

**VIU School graduates will be:**

- provided the opportunity for direct entry to Vancouver Island University after graduation
- be eligible for entry scholarships for Vancouver Island University
- provided counselling and support services to select the appropriate university program for their future goals

# Nanaimo-Ladysmith

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The International Student Education (ISE) Program in Nanaimo is for high school students (grades 8 to 12, ages 13-19) who wish to study English and standard academic subjects in a supportive environment. The ISE Program has approximately 250 International Students enrolled among the 7 high schools. International students are fully integrated with 7,000 Canadian students in academic and elective subjects. All schools have modern facilities, including multiple computer labs and fine arts classrooms. Students can attend for one or two semesters or may graduate with a British Columbia Diploma to qualify for college and university programs in Canada, the United States and around the world.

International Students in Nanaimo live with homestay families, who are responsible for the happiness and well-being of the students. Homestay families are selected very carefully, and students are matched with families whose interests are similar. The goal of the program is to have students feel like family members.

The ISE Program accepts students with all levels of English, and offers English as a Second Language (ESL) as required.

Four academy programs

- Pacific Soccer Academy
- Hockey Canada Skills Academy
- Jazz Academy
- Performing Arts



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# Gulf Islands

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Saltspring Island has a reputation as an international center of the arts. The island has recently become one of Canada's most desirable places to live. Interest in the beautiful, tranquil setting has created a very upscale, highly educated and professional community.

Gulf Islands Secondary School was recently awarded the Garfield Weston Award for Excellence in Education for the outstanding contributions to the success of the students and the school was formally recognized as a School of Distinction in the category of Determination in Academic Achievement.

Aside from academics, the school boasts a reputation for quality specialty programs, including performing arts and visual arts

programs, ESL, French Immersion, computer programming and athletics.

The Gulf Islands International Program is one of the best choices for international students who value an outstanding cultural and educational experience in Canada. Our students have been unanimous in their support of the school, program and community.



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The International Student Program (ISP) in Powell River provides an excellent quality education program for students from other countries who wish to study in Canada. Currently in its 14th year, our successful program offers International students a BC Government Ministry of Education approved curriculum and BC Government certified teachers. State of the art, fully equipped schools create a stimulating working and social environment in which

students learn English for pleasure or to gain credit towards graduation from a BC High School. Powell River's limited enrolment of no more than 40 International students, or less than 2 percent by population, ensures maximum attention to each student.



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Qualicum School District provides international students from all over the world the opportunity to live with a local family, study in a Canadian school and enjoy the wonderful quality of life on Vancouver Island.

One of the goals of many of our students is to gain acceptance into Canadian and American universities; our programs are designed to assist them in doing so. We offer a very strong and comprehensive English as a Second Language (ESL) program with specially trained and experienced instructors to ensure International Students have the best instruction possible.

Qualicum School District has an abundance of athletic, arts and cultural organizations.

There are many opportunities for our children and youth to participate in Music, Dance, Theatre and, Fine Arts.

District Athletes have the opportunity to pursue their passions and excel at many team sports including basketball, soccer, baseball, volleyball, ice hockey, rugby and American football. Individual sports include tennis, golf, swimming, handball, skiing, snowboarding, horseback riding, karate, and taekwondo.



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Students of Malaspina High School (MHS) at Vancouver Island University share the university's campus facilities, resources and instruction. This provides an excellent opportunity for students to transition from high school to university and enjoy lifelong learning. The MHS education plan includes high academic standards, global awareness and leadership through experiential learning.

Apply to Malaspina High School and learn the skills you'll need to be a leader of tomorrow, today!

Keith Watson, Principal

## Learn in high school while experiencing university:

- Malaspina High School is Vancouver Island University's private high school
- British Columbia Graduation Program (grades 10-12) taught by British Columbia certified teachers
- Average class size of 12 students
- Comprehensive English as a Second Language (ESL) program
- Scholarships and dual credit university courses available
- Full use of university counsellors and facilities including: library, academic labs, gymnasium, cafeterias, and campus recreation
- Summer camp and custom group programs for students 13 to 18 years of age
- Four start dates per year: September, November, February, and April
- Dedicated homestay program: [www.viu.ca/homestay](http://www.viu.ca/homestay)



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## Lifestyle & Location

Vancouver Island's natural beauty of mountains, forests and beaches, and its temperate climate provide many opportunities for outdoor recreation such as surfing, rock climbing, cycling, sailing, golfing, hiking, and snowboarding.

VIU's Nanaimo campus is only minutes from forest and mountain trails and oceanside destinations. The central Vancouver Island region has a population of approximately 175,000 and is linked to the Greater Vancouver area through regular ferry service and frequent 15-minute flights to Vancouver International Airport, as well as downtown Vancouver.

