

2024 International Photo Contest Rules

Please read the following before submitting your photo(s)!
Entrants are deemed to have accepted and agreed to all rules.

1. An official Contest Entry Webform must be submitted, alongside digital photo files and any required hard-copy photos. The entrant's signature on these forms confirms acceptance of all the contest rules and regulations.
2. All entries must be received by 3:00 p.m. MST on **Monday February 5, 2024**.
3. The contest entry webform with digital copies of the photos must be submitted online.
4. Hard-copy photos must be submitted in-person to the front desk at MT 501.
5. All photos must be deemed appropriate for display by University of Calgary policies.

Eligibility

6. The contest is open to all current University of Calgary students and recent graduates (under 1 year). Alumni of more than 1 year, faculty, and staff are not eligible to enter.
7. All photos with an international theme are welcome for the contest. This includes photos taken in any country (including Canada), during a University of Calgary Study Abroad program or any other international study, work, or travel period.
8. Only the photographer has the right to submit their photos to the contest. Entry forms must be signed by the photographer, and any prizes won will be awarded to them.
9. All photos submitted must align with the photo categories.

Photo Format for main categories: #ActionShot, #Wholesome, #TravelGoals

10. Digital photo files (JPG or PNG) must be provided online, within the contest entry webform.
11. Hard copies of each photo must also be submitted, printed in colour or black-and-white, on matte or glossy photo paper.
12. Some digital adjustments are allowed for optimizing images. These are: curves, brightness, contrast, shadow and highlight levels, saturation, sharpening and noise reduction, and selected burning or shading. Any other techniques or filters, including combinations of images and compositional changes, will not be accepted.
13. Photos may be portrait/vertical or landscape/horizontal, no smaller than 4" x 6" and no larger than 8" x 10".
14. All photo entries must be clearly labelled. An official label will be provided at MT 501, to be filled out at the time of submission and put on the back of each photo. Do not write directly on the back of the photos.

Photo Format for online category: #SelfieLove

15. Digital photo files (JPG or PNG) must be provided online, within the contest entry webform.
16. Hard copies are not required.
17. Some digital adjustments are allowed for optimizing images. These are: curves, brightness, contrast, shadow and highlight levels, saturation, sharpening and noise reduction, and selected burning or shading. Any other techniques or filters, including combinations of images and compositional changes, will not be accepted.
18. Photos may be portrait/vertical or landscape/horizontal.

Return of Entries

19. All hard-copy submitted photos become the property of University of Calgary International (UCI) and will not be returned.

Rights

20. Photos will be exhibited alongside the photographer's name at the International Photo Contest Display on **February 13 & 15, 2024** in MacEwan Student Centre. A shortlist of photos will also be exhibited online on the photo contest website.
21. Photos may additionally be published in the UToday and UThisWeek magazines and the Gauntlet newspaper, as well as on the UCI websites and social media channels.
22. All copyright and title for submitted photos remains with the photographer. However, the photographer grants to the University of Calgary non-exclusive rights to reproduction and exhibition of their submitted photos. These rights include but are not limited to: publishing photos in print and electronic form, use of the images for related promotional purposes without further compensation, use of the images in University of Calgary publications without further compensation, and crediting the photographer by name wherever their photos are used.
23. By signing the entry form, the entrant confirms that they are the photographer and own all rights to the photos submitted in this contest. Accordingly, the entrant hereby agrees to compensate the University of Calgary fully regarding any claims arising out of the use of their photo.
24. By signing the entry form, the entrant consents to the submission of their photo and agrees to abide by all rules.

Judging

25. The winning photos in each category will be selected by a panel of judges appointed by UCI. Two additional *People's Choice* awards will be determined via 1) votes cast by members of the public during the International Photo Contest Display and 2) votes cast by the public online from a shortlisted gallery on the photo contest webpage.
26. Winning photographers will be notified by email no later than **March 1, 2024**.