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Dear Student,

We hope your summer is going well and you are finding time to rest and recharge for another productive year at UCalgary.

Our team has some great resources and upcoming webinars listed below to help you prepare for the fall 2022 term. If you have any questions or need support, please don't hesitate to reach out to our team at iss@ucalgary.ca.

Stay well!

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Important dates and Information

- **August 1:** Alberta Heritage Day (university closed)
- **August 10:** End of Summer Intersession | Last day to withdraw from a course
- **August 12:** Start of Summer Intersession exams
- **August 15:** End of Summer Intersession exams

Finding a place to live in Calgary

On-campus residence is currently full with wait lists for all buildings. If you apply to live in residence, the university will place you on a wait list but is unable to guarantee that you will receive a housing offer.

SAIT, a post-secondary institution that is three train stops away, currently has space in residence buildings for the fall 2022 term and is accepting UCalgary students. You can [visit their website](#) for more information. If you apply, make sure to apply as a UCalgary student. The Students' Union also has an [off-campus housing website](#) that includes some useful resources.

Visit International Student Services' [housing webpage](#) to learn more about off-campus housing options.

Medical Insurance

You must plan for your medical insurance and needs before you travel. Consider:

- What documents should you travel with (e.g. vaccination and health records)?
- Do you have travel medical insurance for your trip and until you have active coverage through the [Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan \(AHCIP\)](#) and the [Students' Union \(SU\)/Graduate Students' Union \(GSA\)](#), if eligible?
- Are you required to quarantine outside Alberta, in another province—and do you have medical insurance during this time?
- How to apply for the AHCIP after any required quarantine period?
- When does your SU or GSA coverage start?

To learn more, visit our [Medical Insurance resource page](#) and watch our Welcome Webinar on "[Health Care & Medical Insurance in Alberta](#)."

Information and opportunities

GPS Mentorship Program

The GPS Mentorship Program is back for the fall term! Join us now to connect with your UCalgary community and develop valuable mentorship skills. Upper-year students can apply to become mentors and be guides for new international students at UCalgary for the upcoming term. If you are an incoming international student starting your studies in the fall, you can apply to become a mentee and receive peer advice and guidance about life on campus and in Calgary!

[Learn more »](#)

Volunteer to be a Peer Helper!

Join Leadership and Student Engagement as a Peer Helper for the Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) or the Sophomore Leadership Program (SLP). Gain transferable skills, develop your leadership, and have fun! Application deadline is on August 5, 2022.

[Learn more »](#)

Events and workshops



Global Friendship Events: Virtual Game Night

Global Friendship Events by ISS is hosting a virtual game night! Bring a friend or meet new ones as we play fun online games such as Codenames. All students are welcome!

Date: Wednesday, July 20

Time: 5 - 6:30 p.m. MDT



How to Prepare for Your Arrival

We will provide an overview of helpful resources to use when planning your arrival in Calgary including: important Canadian immigration considerations and how to prepare for tasks you must complete while you get settled.

Date: Wednesday, July 22

Time: 10 - 11 a.m. MDT



Post-COVID Job Search and Recruiting Trends (International Students)

In this workshop, students will learn the current trends of how Canadian employers recruit talents after the pandemic and how to tap into the hidden job market.

Date: Thursday, July 14

Time: 10 - 11 a.m. MDT



Academic Success Strategies for First-Year Students

Join the Student Success Centre at this online session to learn how the SSC can help you work towards your goals as a UCalgary student. You will leave with a deeper understanding of SSC services and some tips to help you get a successful start to your semester.

Date: Tuesday, July 26

Time: 5 - 6 p.m. MDT

Do you want more events?

Check out our **ISS Events calendar** for a list of events and workshops for international students.

Are you interested in events hosted by other offices? Visit the following:

- **Career Services**
- **Faith and Spirituality Centre**
- **Leadership and Student Engagement**
- **Money Smart**
- **Student Success Centre**
- **Student Wellness**
- **Women's Resource Centre**

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