



Student and Enrolment Services



Dear Student,

We hope you had a wonderful holiday break and enjoyed some much-needed rest and relaxation.

The ISS team has planned many great events throughout the term to help you unwind between classes or meet new friends. Check our [events calendar](#) to stay up-to-date!

Important dates and reminders

Jan. 6 – 10: Block Week — if you aren't enrolled in classes, swing by the ISS student lounge for various drop-in activities

Jan. 13: First day of winter term classes

Have you purchased or registered for medical insurance?

Are you a new UCalgary student? Make sure you understand your medical insurance options for the duration of your studies. It's best to make any necessary arrangements now. Learn more [here](#).

Upcoming events

Orientation and welcome events

Are you new to Calgary or the University of Calgary? Attend an upcoming session about UCalgary and community resources.

- Graduate International Essentials (**Jan. 9**). Register [here](#).
- Exchange and Visiting Student Orientation (**Jan. 10**). Register [here](#).
- International Student Active Living Orientation (**Jan. 14**). Register [here](#).
- Downtown Calgary Tours (**Jan. 18**). Register [here](#).

Information sessions

- How to Protect Yourself from Scams (**Jan. 15**). Register [here](#).
- Working in Canada: Resumes, Interviews and Work Permits (**Jan. 15**). Register [via Careerlink](#).
- Budgeting and Credit Basics for International Students (**Jan. 16**). Register [here](#).
- Permanent Residence Information Session (**Jan. 22**). Register [here](#).



Global Café and Friendship Night

New to Calgary or the University of Calgary? Global Café and ISS events are partnering together to connect domestic and international UCalgary students over games and activities.

To warm up from a chilly winter break, we're kicking off the year with a taste of summer. Come meet new friends and strengthen your connection to the UCalgary community!

Date: Wednesday, Jan. 15

Time: 5 – 7 p.m.

Location: International Student Services ([MSC 275](#))



Attend campus events with ISS

Join us as we check out some on-campus events. We'll attend as a group, so you can enjoy a new experience without having to go alone!

- **Dinos Women's Volleyball Game**
Friday, Jan. 17, 6 p.m. (meet in ISS at 5:45 p.m. and bring your UCID card)
- **Indigenous Knowledge Public Lecture Series with Tanya Talaga ([Learn more](#))**
Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6 – 8 p.m. (meet in ISS at 5 p.m. and bring your UPass)



Graduate students: Trip to CrossIron Mills

The GSA's Newcomers and International Students Sub-Committee has arranged a bus trip to the CrossIron Mills outlet mall. This event is open to graduate students at UCalgary and their families. For your \$5 ticket, you'll receive a \$10 CrossIron Mills gift card and many other perks and discounts!

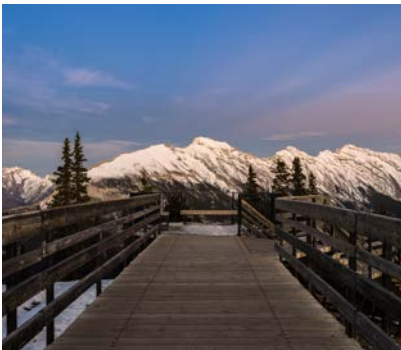
Date: Friday, Jan. 24

Time: 4 – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Meet at MacEwan Hall bus loop; bus transport to CrossIron Mills

Cost: \$5

Learn more [here](#).



Banff trip

Take a getaway to the mountain town of Banff, Alberta. You can explore downtown Banff during the [SnowDays festival](#). You'll have the opportunity to take the Banff Gondola up the Sulphur Mountain. The cost of the trip includes bus transportation; you pay an additional fee if you wish to take the gondola.

Date: Sunday, Jan. 26

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Location: Meet at ISS; bus transport to Banff

Cost: \$45 (transportation only); \$100 (transportation & Gondola)

Registration through the ISS calendar in [Careerlink](#) (opens **Jan. 13**).

New support for international students

As of **Jan. 13**, academic development specialists from the Student Success Centre will be available on a drop-in basis in the ISS offices (MSC 275). They can help you with personalized academic planning and learning support to help you achieve your academic goals.



Jennifer Parsons

Mondays: 10 a.m. – noon, 1 – 3 p.m.

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. – noon, 1 – 3 p.m.



Paul Papin

Wednesdays: 9:30 – 11 a.m., 1 – 3 p.m.

Thursdays: 1 – 3 p.m.

Fridays: 10 a.m. – noon, 1 – 3 p.m.

Scholarship opportunity

The Hong Kong-Canada Business Association has two awards of \$2,500 for UCalgary students interested in business, entrepreneurship, technology, development, sustainability, language/culture or education in Hong Kong, China or another Asian country.

Learn more [here](#). Deadline to apply is **Monday, Jan. 20, 2020**.

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