

QUICK FACTS: The European Union *

(Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and United Kingdom)

- Population: 302.8 million
- Population growth: 0.22%
- Area: 2, 365, 000 sq.km
- GDP per capita: \$20,260 (\$US)
- GDP growth: 1.7%
- Arable land as % of total land: 26.6%
- Education spending, % of GDP: 4.81%
- * Source: The Economist Pocket World in Figures 2003

I. PEOPLE

The University of British Columbia recognizes that people are its most important resource, and places the highest value on its students, faculty, and staff.

A. International Students from Europe at UBC (as of Nov. 1, 2002) (F=female; M=male)

Country	Undergraduate	Graduate	Exchange & Visiting	Total	% of Total Int'l T=3, 157
Albania	0	0	1 (M)	1	0.03%
Austria	1 (F)	16 (1F+15M)	5 (4F+1M)	22	0.7 %
Belgium	1 (F)	5 (M)	6 (2F+4M)	12	0.4%
Bosnia	0	2 (F)	0	2	0.06%
Bulgaria	1 (M)	3 (1F+2M)	3 (1F+2M)	7	0.2%
Croatia	1 (F)	0	1 (F)	2	0.06%
Cyprus	3 (M)	0	0	3	0.09%
Czech	1 (F)	1 (F)	2 (1F+1M)	4	0.1%
Denmark	0	5 (1F+4M)	13 (8F+5M)	18	0.6%
Finland	1 (F)	1 (F)	2 (M)	4	0.1%
France	4 (2F+2M)	11 (4F+7M)	16 (12F+4M)	31	1.0%
Germany	13 (2F+11M)	34 (12F+22M)	44 (19F+25M)	91	2.9%
Greece	0	3 (1F+2M)	0	3	0.09%
Hungary	3 (2F+1M)	0	0	3	0.09%

Country	Undergraduate	Graduate	Exchange & Visiting	Total	% of Total Int'l T= 3, 157
Iceland	1 (M)	3 (2F+1M)	1 (F)	5	0.1%
Ireland	2 (1F+1M)	5 (2F+3M)	0	7	0.2%
Italy	3 (2F+1M)	9 (4F+5M)	3 (M)	15	0.5%
Lithuania	0	1 (F)	0	1	0.03%
Macedonia	0	2 (F)	0	2	0.06%
Malta	0	1 (F)	1 (M)	2	0.06%
Moldova	2 (F)	0	0	2	0.06%
Netherlands	3 (2F+1M)	5 (1F+4M)	8 (4F+4M)	16	0.5%
Norway	15 (2F+13M)	4 (2F+2M)	3 (1F+2M)	22	0.7%
Poland	1 (F)	3 (M)	1 (F)	5	0.1%
Portugal	3 (1F+2M)	2 (M)	0	5	0.1%
Romania	0	9 (5F+4M)	0	9	0.3%
Russia	6 (3F+3M)	12 (7F+5M)	2 (F)	20	0.6%
Slovakia	3 (1F+2M)	2 (1F+1M)	0	5	0.1%
Slovenia	1 (M)	0	0	1	0.03%
Spain	0	4 (1F+3M)	2 (1F+1M)	6	0.2%
Sweden	4 (3F+1M)	1 (M)	19 (11F+8M)	24	0.8%
Switzerland	5 (M)	7 (4F+3M)	8 (5F+3M)	20	0.6%
Turkey	3 (1F+2M)	14 (6F+8M)	0	17	0.5%
Ukraine	1 (F)	2 (1F+1M)	1 (F)	4	0.1%
United Kingdom	35 (10F+23M)	64 (30F+34M)	61 (32F+29M)	160	5.0%
Yugoslavia	3 (M)	2 (F)	0	5	0.1%
TOTAL (Nov. 1, 2002)	120	233	203	556	17.6%

B. Tracking our Progress: UBC European Student Enrolment from Europe 1992 to 2002

	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002
Albania	0	0	0	1	0	1
Austria	6	14	8	13	27	22
Belarus	0	0	0	1	1	0
Belgium	1	5	5	8	6	12
Bosnia	0	0	5	1	1	2
Bulgaria	3	5	5	3	2	7
Croatia	0	0	0	1	1	2
Cyprus	1	2	1	2	1	3
Czech	3	4	5	1	4	4
Denmark	11	17	16	23	18	18
Estonia	0	1	1	0	0	0
Finland	0	5	5	2	3	4
France	1	18	26	32	30	31
Germany	56	67	78	98	110	91
Greece	5	5	2	1	1	3
Hungary	3	5	5	3	1	3
Iceland	16	17	10	6	6	5
Ireland	2	2	7	9	7	7
Italy	5	10	11	17	21	15
Macedonia	0	0	0	0	0	2
Malta	2	2	5	0	1	2
Moldova	0	0	0	0	1	2
Netherlands	12	18	7	13	16	16
Norway	16	19	14	24	21	22
Poland	3	3	6	4	8	5
Portugal	4	5	3	1	6	5
Romania	2	7	6	9	9	9
Russia	7	13	14	10	11	20
Slovakia	0	0	1	1	2	5
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	1
Spain	7	11	6	11	8	6
Sweden	17	56	41	46	30	24
Switzerland	8	10	6	12	22	20
Turkey	8	6	6	6	9	17
Ukraine	0	0	1	3	3	4
UK	193	191	145	153	135	160
Yugoslavia	8	7	5	9	5	5
TOTAL	384	515	456	525	529	556
% of total int'l enrolment	18.3% (384/2101)	21.8% (515/2361)	20.5% (456/2226)	23.7% (525/2210)	22.8% (529/2318)	17.6% (556/3157)

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- Richard Unger (History): economics in the brewing industry in late medieval Europe; medieval and early modern economic history; history of technology. Tel: (604) 822-5178, E-mail: richard.unger@ubc.ca
- Mark Vessey (English): Church fathers- Jerome, Augustine, and Erasmus; Northern European and English Renaissance; Latin literature. Tel: (604) 822-4095, E-mail: mvessey@interchange.ubc.ca
- **Peter Ward** (History): nutrition and health in the early industrial area in Europe Tel: (604) 822-5557, E-mail: ward@interchange.ubc.ca

- Norma Wieland (Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies): German language teaching. Tel: (604) 822-5457, E-mail: nwieland@arts.ubc.ca
- Edward Williams (Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies): Greek and Roman art and archaeology. Tel: (604) 822-4059, E-mail: hectorw@interchange.ubc.ca
- William Winder (French, Hispanic, and Italian Studies): social and political impact of writing technology in France and Quebec. Tel: (604) 822-4022, E-mail: winder@interchange.ubc.ca
- **Rhodri Windsor-Liscombe** (Art History, Visual Art, and Theory): 18th to 20th century European art history; North American art and architecture. Tel: (604) 822-0930, E-mail: rhodri@mercury.ubc.ca
- Geoffrey Winthrop-Young (Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies): relationship between literature and media technologies; science fiction; material culture; late 18th century German literature. Tel: (604) 822-5155, E-mail: winthrop@interchange.ubc.ca
- Graeme Wynn (Geography): development of New World societies and the environmental impacts of European expansion around the world. Tel: (604) 822-6226, E-mail: wynn@geog.ubc.ca
- Karl August Zaenker (Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies): early literary history; modern reception of medieval literature; relationship between music and literature; late medieval legends. Tel: (604) 822-5154, E-mail: kzaenker@interchange.ubc.ca

II. LEARNING/ TEACHING/ ACADEMIC/ STUDY PROGRAMS

The University of British Columbia is committed to maintaining the highest standards of teaching, learning, research, and service, in order to provide a learning environment that will inspire and enable individuals to grow intellectually, recognize their social responsibilities, be prepared to live and work in a global environment, and achieve personal fulfillment.

A. European Studies at UBC

Much of Canada's heritage and traditional linkages are rooted in Europe. UBC has a long history of active involvement in Europe, with European studies spanning across many disciplines, in particular, in the Faculties of Arts, Commerce and Business Administration, Education, Forestry, Agriculture, Law, and Graduate Studies. Major aspects of the teaching and research programs of various departments and schools in the Faculty of Arts reflect European languages, culture, history, and current affairs. In particular, major European foci occur in the departments of Anthropology and Sociology; Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies; Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies; Comparative Literature; French, Hispanic and Italian Studies; Geography; History; Linguistics; Music; Philosophy; Political Science; and Theatre, Film and Creative Writing. Modern European languages and literatures being taught include English, French, German, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish and Swedish. In addition, UBC Continuing Studies offers certificate programs in Dutch, Hungarian, and Ukrainian.

(1) Institute for European Studies

Established in May 1998, the Institute for European Studies (IES) is part of UBC's ongoing mission to advance international knowledge and research about Europe. Emphasizing a multidisciplinary approach, the Institute promotes an exchange of students, scholars, and ideas between Canada and Europe, and provides a forum for public debate on European issues through research seminars, workshops, lecture series, and international conferences. With the generous support of DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), the Institute investigates European affairs and Germany's role in the development of a European community. In addition, the Institute gratefully acknowledges the support of the Delegation of the European Commission in assisting the UBC IES in advancing the study of European integration in Western Canada.

The goals of the Institute for European Studies are as follows:

- To educate a new generation of Canadian experts on contemporary Europe and its role in the world, and on the European Community and its role in the world.
- To encourage graduate-level teaching and learning opportunities in European Studies at UBC and in Canada in general.
- To facilitate and enhance research with respect to Europe on the part of Canadian scholars and students.
- To foster the exchange of students, scholars and ideas between Europe and Western Canada in order to develop and promote mutual awareness, understanding, and expertise.
- To inform a wider public in Western Canada about Europe and its increasing economic, cultural, and political importance in an increasingly interdependent and interconnected world.

In pursuit of these goals, the IES has developed four main areas of activity. The first of these is the development of a Master of Arts Program in European Studies that was established in September 2000. Secondly, the Institute regularly organizes seminars and lectures, such as "*Transformations of Europe*" (an ongoing noon-hour series), and "*Myths of Nations*" (an evening series). Thirdly, the Institute holds several symposia each year. In the 2001/02 academic year, two widely attended two-day symposia were offered to the UBC community and the general public—"*The Politics of Language in Canada and Europe*"; "*Problems of EU Enlargement and Transformations of Eastern Europe*." Finally, the Institute holds a major international conference every two or three years. The first conference was held in 1998 and was entitled, "*Transition to the Knowledge Society*." Its proceedings have been published in both French and English. The second conference entitled "*The Nature and Culture of Forests*" was held in May, 2001, with its proceedings to be published soon.

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(2) The Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts offers an interdisciplinary undergraduate program in Modern European Studies. Under this program, UBC has been sending two students for credit annually to the University of Bonn's Transatlantic Summer Academy since 1994. This summer program is intended for both graduate and advanced undergraduate students with academic specializations in Europe and allows them to immerse themselves completely in German culture. *Contact: Nancy Gallini, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Tel: (604) 822-3751, E-mail: gallini@arts.ubc.ca, web: www.arts.ubc.ca*

• Department of Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies (CNRS)

The CNRS Department is committed to critical enquiry and research into all aspects of Ancient and Medieval Mediterranean and Near Eastern civilizations. The research activities of the Department fall into three broad categories:

- (i) Ancient History and Archaeology: The Department is involved in numerous major archaeological sites in Europe that include: Anemurium in Turkey, Stymphalos, and Mytilene in Greece, and Coventry in Britain. The Department also has a strong tradition in the study of epigraphs (Greek, Roman, and Phoenician) and historiography. Studies are also in progress on the parallels between native Indian and Ptolemaic Egyptian society.
- (ii) Classical Literature and Myth: In classical literature, faculty members have published seminal works on the Aristotelian commentators and on psychological language used by early Greek authors. Other strengths focus on commentaries on Greek tragedians, the ancient novel, and the classical tradition.
- (iii) Near-Eastern Literature and Myth and Religious Studies: Research is being carried out in the area of Near Eastern myth and biblical texts. Faculty member, Daphna Arbel, is studying the concept of Eve in ancient literature and art and its relationship to the image of women in the western tradition. Other areas of activity include a groundbreaking book on the text of John.

Future research directions include extending the archaeological work into the near-eastern sphere, expanding the social-history side of the ancient history program, engaging in multidisciplinary investigation of the interaction of cultures in the Mediterranean from the Bronze Age to the Byzantine period, and developing a research program on the study of myth. *Contact: P. E. Harding, Head, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies, Tel: (604) 822-1367, E-mail: cnrs@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.cnrs.ubc.ca*

• Department of Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies

The Department is one of the largest of its kind in Canada and offers programs leading to both the M.A. and the Ph.D degrees in German. Full major and honours programs are offered at the undergraduate level, as well as courses in German and Scandinavian literature in translation and beginners' and intermediate courses in Swedish language. The Department is committed to the further development of Germanistik, German Studies, Interkulturelle Germanistik and Deutsch als Fremdsprache in order to direct the Department towards a multi-facetted scholarly paradigm that represents language, literature and cultural studies in accordance with emerging post-national patterns of change as well as local scholarly and societal needs.

Contact: Peter Stenberg, Head, Department of Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies, Tel: (604) 822-5158, E-mail: psten@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.german.ubc.ca

• Department of French, Hispanic and Italian Studies

The Department of French, Hispanic, and Italian Studies offers undergraduate and graduate programs in French, Spanish, and Italian language and literature. The Department has just recently undergone a Departmental name change, in order to better communicate the Departments range of studies and specialization. The Department is currently undergoing structural and academic changes in order to better serve students and faculty. *Contact: Derek Carr, Acting Head, Department of French, Hispanic and Italian Studies, Tel: (604) 822-2879, E-mail: fhis@arts.ubc.ca, web: www.fhis.ubc.ca*

(3) UBC Continuing Studies

UBC Continuing Studies offers noncredit courses on European literature, modern history, art, and architecture. Language certificate programs are offered in Dutch, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Spanish, and Ukrainian, with a focus on areas of specific interest to participants, including business, culture and the arts. Short-term language immersion programs are offered in France and Italy. *Contact: Judith Plessis, Director, Language Programs, Continuing Studies, Tel: (604) 822-0803, E-mail: language.programs@cstsudies.ubc.ca, web: www.languages.ubc.ca*

B. Library Resources

UBC Library's collections in German history rank among the top in Canada, along with those at the University of Toronto,, and include especially good sections on Germany in the French revolutionary and Napoleonic periods, the revolutions of 1848, and the entire period since unification under Bismarck. The regions of Prussia, Bavaria ,and Würtemberg are strong. Its holdings in all periods of German literature are good. The Habsburg Empire, East Central Europe, particularly Poland and Czechoslovakia, are well represented, as is Russia. Recent acquisitions include a microfiche edition of the *Bibliothek der Deutschen Literatur*, the most complete collection of German literature before 1900. UBC also has exceptionally good resources on European labor movements, on various forms of Marxism, social democracy, anarchism, syndicalism, and on Jews in Europe, with a focus on the Holocaust. UBC's holdings in French and Quebecois literature, as well as the history of the French language and dialectology are among the best in Canada. The UBC Library is a depository library for the United Nations and the European Communities.

Contact: Jocelyn Godolphin, Head, Humanities, Social Sciences and Government Publications, Walter Koerner Library, Tel: (604) 822-2160, E-mail: hssd@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.library.ubc.ca

C. Exchange Programs, Co-op Programs, and Internship Opportunities

UBC provides many opportunities for its students to gain international experience including:

• Reciprocal Student Exchange Programs: UBC runs a number of student exchange programs that allow outstanding undergraduate and graduate students to integrate into the academic and social life of a different university while still fulfilling degree requirements at UBC. Under the Reciprocal Student Exchange Program, participating UBC students remain registered at UBC, pay tuition fees only to UBC, remain eligible for UBC awards, scholarships and financial aid, and receive full transfer credit back to UBC for courses taken at the partner institution.

In the 2001/02 academic year, 92 UBC students went on exchange to study in Europe (33.6% of all UBC students exchanged in 2001/02).

Students attended University of Freiburg (10), University of Copenhagen (9), Lund University (7), University of Glasgow (6), Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (5), University of East Anglia (5), Keele University (4), University of Nottingham (4), Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Grenoble (3), Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (3), Lancaster University (3), Leiden University (3), Universite Catholique de Louvain (3), Universite Paris II & III (3), Uppsala Universite (3), L'Ecole Nat. Sup. des Beaux Arts (2), Maastricht University (2), Universitat Augsburg (2), Universita degli Studi di Torino (2), Universite de Toulouse (2), Universite Jean-Moulin (2), University of Edinburgh (2), Ecole Normale Superieure (1), Royal Veterinary and Agriculture University (1), Universidade de Coimbra (1), Universita degli Studi di l'Aquila (1), Universite de Lausanne (1), University of Agricultural Sciences Vienna (1), and University of Warwick (1)

- **Co-op Programs**: UBC offers a number of Co-op programs in Applied Science, Arts, Commerce, Forestry, and Science. These programs provide students with an opportunity to integrate academic study with relevant full-time paid work experience. Through alternating study and work terms, students gain practical experience in their chosen field of study. Students are selected on the basis of academic performance, communication and interpersonal skills. Co-op students engage in paid work for a variety of employers in BC, Canada, and the world. *Web: www.coop.ubc.ca*
- Internships: The Faculty of Commerce runs an internship program sponsored by the Canadian Government that provides opportunities for recent graduates to gain work experience internationally. Opportunities have included positions with companies in Basel, Switzerland--Novartis Pharma, CIBA Specialty Chemicals Inc., and Com.Factory, and also in the United Kingdom. *Web: www.commerce.ubc.ca/international/*

D. Master of Arts Program in European Studies

A Master of Arts Program in European Studies is being offered through the UBC Institute for European Studies. The first term of the new program began in September 2000. The M.A. in European Studies is a twoyear, full-time interdisciplinary course of study, which addresses the need for students to meet and understand the complex and changing realities of European politics, economics, and culture in the 21st century. Students trained in the M.A. program are well equipped to go on to academic research interests focusing on Europe or professional career opportunities with a European focus. The core courses in European Studies address a broad spectrum of cultural, economic, historical, legal, and political issues using the theoretical and methodological tools of the core academic disciplines. Although formal language study is not part of the M.A. curriculum, students must demonstrate proficiency in a European language other than English before beginning the second year of the program. M.A. students are also strongly encouraged to spend one semester abroad at either a host Institute or in an approved internship. Students receive credit for this exchange and those on internships are expected to submit a formal report on experiences. *Contact: Sima Godfrey, Director, Institute for European Studies, Tel: (604) 822-1452, E-mail: europe@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.ies.ubc.ca*

E. Intercontinental Masters Program in Adult Learning and Global Change

UBC is collaborating with the University of Linköping (Sweden), University of Western Cape (South Africa) and the University of Technology Sydney (Australia) in a distance learning program, to deliver an Intercontinental Masters Program in Adult Learning and Global Change. The aim of the program is to provide a high quality Master's degree in Adult Learning, which in both content and process gives students an insight into globalization and cross-cultural collaboration. This Master's program is equivalent to one year of full-time study (40 credits), but is typically taken part-time over a period of two years. A team of academics from the four institutions will work collaboratively to teach the program. All four universities have agreed to accredit the program. It is anticipated that each university. *Contact: Kjell Rubenson, Co-Director CHET (Centre for Policy Studies in Higher Education and Training), Tel: (604) 822-4406, E-mail: kjell.rubenson@ubc.ca*

F. UBC South-North Studies Program

Events and trends in the Southern Hemisphere will increasingly influence the future of Canada and other industrialized countries. Population growth, carbon accumulations, political instability, and growing export dependency are some of the factors linking countries in the South with those in the North. The UBC South-North Studies program is the first in North America dedicated to this sector of study and enquiry. The Program has expanded its course offerings to include topics on South-North issues; global environmental sustainability, global health problems, development research, global governance , and human security. Recent activities include a South-North Workshop, which was held in June 2002 at St. John's College, UBC. The workshop focused on challenges to sustainability in mountain regions of South and North. *Contact: Olav Slaymaker, Academic Director, Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues, Tel: (604) 822-3049, E-mail: olav@geog.ubc.ca, web: www. liucentre.ubc.ca*

G. Museum of Anthropology (MOA)

Founded in 1949, the UBC MOA now houses about 200,000 archaeological artifacts and 30,000 ethnographic artifacts. In addition to its outstanding Northwest Coast collections, the museum also has extensive holdings from Asia, Africa, Europe, South America, and classical Greece and Rome. A unique collection of 600 European ceramics is housed in the Koerner Gallery. *Contact: Michael Ames, Museum of Anthropology, Tel: (604) 822-5887, web: www.moa.ubc.ca*

III. RESEARCH

The University of British Columbia encourages original research and scholarship to increase knowledge and understanding for the benefit of society.

A. Research Centres, Programs and Resources

• International Centre for Human Settlements (ICHS): The ICHS is one of six international centres of excellence originally funded by CIDA. The main objective of the Centre is to provide intellectual leadership in a new approach to international community and regional planning based on an integrated approach that combines socio-economic, biophysical and environmental dimensions. *Contact: Penny Gurstein, Chair, Centre for Human Settlements, Tel: (604) 822-6065, E-mail: gurstein@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.chs.ubc.ca*

• See Section II part A for the UBC Institute of European Studies

B. UBC International Research Projects

- Atlantis, New Avenues in the Teaching of Mathematics: The UBC Department of Mathematics, under the Canada-European Community Program for Higher Education and Training, is involved in this project with the following consortium of European universities—University of Trieste (Italy), Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium), University of Coimbre (Portugal), University of L'Aquila (Italy)—as well Canadian partners, York University and Dalhousie University. The central role that mathematics and its teaching play in the educational process to develop essential skills is universally recognized. By promoting the mutual knowledge of university systems, teaching and guidance experiences, this project facilitates transatlantic exchanges of science students. It features the creation of a new course in the foundations of mathematics, addressed to the widest audience. The main component of this project is a transatlantic exchange program for students. During the three-year funding period, the project will provide more than 42 students with the opportunity to study at various transatlantic partner institutions. *Contact: John MacDonald, Department of Mathematics, Tel: (604) 822-3627, E-mail: johnm@math.ubc.ca, web: www.math.yorku.ca/who/faculty/tholeatlantic.html*
- Internationalization of the Curriculum in Agriculture, Horticulture and the Environment: This project aims at strengthening co-operation in higher education and training among Canadian and European higher education institutions. The project addresses the need to internationalize the curriculum of agricultural and horticultural institutions in Canada and Europe. The partner institutions support the movement of students across the Atlantic, utilizing the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) to ensure that students receive full credit for courses taken. Participants in this project include ; the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, McGill University, UBC, Writtle College (UK), Hame Polytechnic (Finland), and the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University (Denmark). *Contact: George Kennedy, Director, Global Partnerships, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Tel: (604) 822-5685, E-mail: gkennedy@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.agsci.ubc.ca*
- InterPARES Project: The UBC School of Library, Archival and Information Studies initiated this project under the directorship of UBC faculty members Luciana Duranti and Terry Eastwood. The project is a large multinational, collaborative, and interdisciplinary research project dealing with the long-term preservation of authentic electronic records. The research goal of InterPARES is to develop the theoretical and methodological knowledge essential to the permanent preservation of authentic records generated or maintained electronically and also to formulate model policies, strategies, and standards capable of ensuring that preservation. *Contact: Luciana Duranti, Project Director, Faculty of Arts, Tel: (604) 822-2587, E-mail: luciana.duranti@ubc.ca, web: www.interpares.org*
- Human Dimensions in the 21st Century Forestry: The UBC Faculty of Forestry, under the Canada-European Community Program for Higher Education and Training, is involved in this project with a consortium of 10 European universities—University of Joensuu (Finland), University of Aberdeen (UK), Albert-Ludwig University Freiburg (Germany), University of Agricultural Sciences, Gembloux (Belgium), University of Helsinki (Finland), Università degli Studi di Padova (Italy), Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (Sweden), University of Agricultural Sciences, Vienna (Austria), Wageningen Agricultural University (Netherlands), University of Wales, Bangor (UK)—as well as Canadian partners, University of Toronto, Université du Québec , University of New Brunswick, and the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. This project aims at improving the professional education of forest resource managers and increasing the international mobility of forestry graduates. The consortium intends to contribute to the review and upgrading of international forestry education in Europe and Canada by linking the institutions in a functional network of interactive courses and student exchange. The project is designed to benefit students and faculty by providing a forum for joint development of innovative courses and practical training programs incorporating new approaches to forestry education in a cooperative international environment. *Contact: Jack Saddler, Dean, Faculty of Forestry, Tel: (604) 822-2467, E-mail: saddler@interchange.ubc.ca*

- Visions Project, Europe: The UBC Sustainable Development Research Institute (SDRI) initiated this project focusing on creating a set of alternative scenarios for future sustainable development paths to 2020 and 2050. The project aims to provide a point of reference and practical tools for key-decision makers and stakeholders. The scenarios will test and apply cutting edge software tools, in combination with participatory methods for consensus building. The scenarios cover a European wide perspective with three selected regions; Greater Manchester (UK), Venice (Italy), and the Green Heart (The Netherlands). The SDRI is presently exploring opportunities for collaboration on this project, particularly with SDRI's Georgia Basin Futures Project. *Contact: SDRI, Tel: (604) 822-8198, E-mail: sdri@sdri.ubc.ca, web: www.sdri.ubc.ca*
- **Project Seahorse**: The UBC Fisheries Centre is involved in this global conservation project headed by newly appointed UBC Faculty member Amanda Vincent. The project is geared to performing biological research of the biology of seahorses in the wild and in the laboratory. The project is monitoring seahorse fisheries in Europe and attempting to adjust their consumption rate for medicinal purposes. There are teams from Canada and the Philippines with additional research collaboration from scientists in Hong Kong, the United Kingdom and the United States. The project is working towards policy development and the education and dissemination of information to the general public. *Contact: Amanda Vincent, UBC Fisheries Centre, Tel: (604) 827-5137, E-mail: a.vincent@fisheries.ubc.ca, web: www.seahorse.mcgill.ca*
- Exploring Canadian and European Practices and Policy Options for Sustainable Agriculture: The UBC Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, under the Canada-European Community Program for Higher Education and Training, is involved in this project with a consortium of European universities—Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (Sweden), State University of Liège (Belgium), University of Montpelier (France)— as well as Canadian partners, University of Saskatchewan, University of Guelph, University of Alberta, and the University of Manitoba. This project brings together the expertise and experience of the leading agricultural institutions in Canada and Europe, to produce a new level of understanding on the complex issues related to agricultural sustainability. By combining the experience of two major agricultural regions of the world, the project represents a unique, significant contribution to the development of teaching materials and student understanding of agricultural sustainability on a local, national, and global scale. The project brings together university agriculture and law departments, research institutes, and private sector participants, to develop 7 teaching modules of instruction to be delivered to students through member institutions. The primary objective of the project is student-centered teaching of the issues pertaining to sustainable agriculture. An important component of this is student academic mobility. Contact: George Kennedy, Director, Global Partnerships, Agricultural Sciences, UBC, Tel: (604) 822-5685, E-mail: gkennedy@interchange.ubc.ca, web: www.agsci.ubc.ca/

IV. COMMUNITY

The University of British Columbia is dedicated to furthering the social, cultural, and economic interests of Greater Vancouver, British Columbia and Canada.

A. Alumni and Friends

There are a growing number of active UBC Alumni in Europe. The largest contingent is in the United Kingdom, with an active UBC Alumni Branch in London serving an estimated 690 UBC alumni living there. **Contacts for UBC Alumni in Europe are:**

- Austria (50 active alumni)- Wolfgang Zeileis [M.Sc'01], E-mail: wolfgangz@utanet.au
- France (80 active alumni)- Mandy Brar-Kerlann [BSc'82, BScP'86], E-mail:marquisedelaborde@wanadoo.fr
- Greece (20 active alumni)- Fofi Orfanou [BA'97], E-mail: forfanou@compulink.gr, Tel: 001-277-7142
- Netherlands (50 active alumni)- Jason Hunnisett [BA'96], E-mail: jasonsh1@usa.net
- Norway (50 active alumni)- Jan Aaseth [BCom'90], E-mail: jan.aaseth@dnb.no
- United Kingdom (690 active alumni)- Esther McCallum [MA'967], E-mail: esther@mccallum.org

B. Clubs and Organizations

UBC student clubs with a European focus include: AIESEC, the French Club (Le Club Français), Geography Students' Association, Global Outreach Students' Organization, Hellenic Students' Association, History Students' Association, International Business Club, International Relations Students' Association, Italian Club, Jewish Students' Association, Marxist-Leninist Study Group, MOSAIC Multicultural Club, Political Science Students' Association, Ukrainian Club, and Zak Polish Students' Society. *For a complete listing of UBC AMS clubs check the web at www.ams.ubc.ca*

V. INTERNATIONALIZATION

The University of British Columbia is part of a network of learning that stretches around the world, and in an increasingly global environment it encourages the development of teaching, learning, and research intended to strengthen British Columbia's and Canada's links to other nations.

A. International Organizations and Memberships

- Universitas 21 (U21): This is an association of 17 comprehensive, research-intensive universities. Universitas 21 provides a model for a new kind of network of universities providing a framework for the benchmarking of performance and quality of its members. Students, faculty, and staff exchange is mandated. Universitas 21 is an active association, small enough to permit high levels of commitment, familiarity, collaboration, and inter-operability between the partner institutions, yet large enough to capture the benefits of international diversity. European members of U21 include Albert-Ludwigs-Universit Freiburg (Germany), Lund Universitat (Sweden), University of Birmingham (UK), University of Edinburgh (UK), University of Glasgow (UK), and the University of Nottingham (UK). *Web: www.universitas.edu.au*
- **Commonwealth University Study Abroad Consortium** (CUSAC): This membership group was initially started as a pilot project in 1993, with the aims of redirecting student flows and encouraging innovative mobility schemes. CUSAC has since expanded from an initial membership of 28, to nearly fifty universities, from both developed and developing countries around the Commonwealth. By the end of 1997 over 400 staff and students had benefited from study in another commonwealth country under its auspices. CUSAC works through bilateral linkages between institutions using mechanisms such as mutual fee waivers to facilitate exchanges on a self-help basis. CUSAC has also sought to redress the existing imbalance in student flows by encouraging north-south and south-south exchanges. In addition it aims to provide students from both the south and north with more opportunities to study abroad for shorter periods of time to complement existing competitive scholarship schemes offering limited places on formal degree courses. The shorter periods of study characteristic of CUSAC exchanges serve to reduce lead times for the infusion of knowledge gained through study abroad back into the home universities. CUSAC members from Europe include: University of East Anglia (UK), University of Glasgow (UK), University of Hull (UK), University of Oxford (UK), University of South Bank (UK), and University of Sunderland (UK). *Web: www.acu.uk/cusac/*

B. International Linkage Agreements

UBC currently has exchange agreements with:

AUSTRIA

- University of Agricultural Sciences, Vienna (Universität für Bodenkultur Wien - BOKU)
- Vienna University (Wirtschaftsuniversitat Wien)

BELGIUM

- Catholic University of Louvain
- Gembloux Agricultural University
- Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- Université de Liège

CZECH REPUBLIC

Charles University (Universita Karlova)

DENMARK

- Copenhagen Business School
- Royal Danish School of Educational Studies
- University of Copenhagen
- Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University

FINLAND

- University of Helsinki
- University of Joensuu

FRANCE

- Centre Technique du Papier
- Ecole Normale Supérieure de Fontenay/Saint-Cloud
- Hautes Etudes Commerciales Paris
- Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Grenoble
- Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris et La Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques
- Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble
- L'Université de La Rochelle
- L'Université de Toulouse-Le Mirail
- Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle (U of Paris III)
- Université de Montpellier I
- Université de Montpellier II
- Université de Montpellier III (U Paul Valéry)
- Université Jean Moulin Lyon III
- Université Victor Segalen Bordeaux 2
- Université de la Bourgogne
- Université Paris II
- Université Pierre et Marie Curie

[1996: GFA* and EU Forestry Consortium*]

[1990: Commerce Student Exchange]

[1990: SEP-Commerce Specific, EU-Mathematics Consortium][1999: EU Forestry Consortium][Student Exchange][2001: EU Pulp and Paper Consortium]

[1994: GFA]

[1987: Commerce Student Exchange][1998: GFA][1998: Student Exchange Program][2001: GFA & SEP]

[1999: EU Forestry Consortium] [1999: EU Forestry Consortium]

- [2001: EU Pulp & Paper Consortium] [1994: GFA and SEP] [1985: SEP-Commerce Specific] [1995: GFA and SEP] [1998: GFA and SEP]
- [2001: EU Pulp and Paper Consortium] [1998: GFA] [1995: SEP] [1995: GFA and SEP] [1991: Graduate Student Exchange] [1996: Graduate Student Exchange] [1996: Graduate Student Exchange] [1992: GFA and SEP] [2000: GFA] [1996: SEP] [2000: EU-Law Consortium] [1987: GFA]

GERMANY

- Albert-Ludwigs Universität Freiburg
- Humboldt-Universität Zu Berlin
- Technische Universität Dresden
- Technische Universität Darmstadt
- Universität Augsburg
- Universität Bonn
- Universität-Gesamthoch-Siegen (U of Siegen)
- Universität Hamburg
- Universität zu Köln (U of Cologne)
- Universität Wurzburg
- Otto Beisheim Graduate School of Management

IRELAND

• University College Dublin

ITALY

- Rome University "La Sapienza"
- Universita Commerciale Luigi Bocconi
- Universita degli Studi di Padova
- Universita degli Studi di Roma
- Universita degli Studi di Torino (U of Turin)
- University of Bologna
- University of L'Aquila
- University of Trieste

NETHERLANDS

- Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Leiden University
- Maastricht University
- Wageningen Agricultural University

NORWAY

- Agricultural University of Norway
- Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration

POLAND

- Medical University of Lodz
- Warsaw Agricultural University SGGW-AR

PORTUGAL

• University of Coimbra

RUSSIA

• The Far Eastern State University

SPAIN

- Esade Barcelona
- Universidad Complutense de Madrid
- Universidad Politécnica de Cataluña

[1999: EU Forestry Consortium; Canadian Year in Freiburg Exchange]
[2001: GFA and SEP]
[1998: GFA]
[1998: GFA]
[1987: GFA and SEP]
[1993: GFA and SEP]
[1982: GFA and SEP]
[1997: SEP and Law Consortium]
[1997: SEP-Commerce Specific]
[1997: GFA and SEP]
[2001: SEP-Commerce Specific]

[2001: SEP-Commerce Specific]

[2002: GFA]
[1993: SEP-Commerce Specific]
[2000: EU Forestry Consortium]
[2002: GFA]
[2000: EU-Law Consortium]
[1996: GFA]
[2000: EU-Mathematics Consortium]
[2000: EU-Mathematics Consortium]

[1988: SEP-Commerce Specific][1997: SEP][2000: EU-Law Consortium][1999/00: EU Forestry Consortium]

[1996: GFA & SEP] [1993: SEP-Commerce Specific]

[2001: GFA] [1983: Ph.D.Candidates & Faculty Exchange]

[2000: EU-Mathematics Consortium]

[1991: Memorandum of Agreement]

[1991: SEP-Commerce Specific][2001: EU Pulp and Paper Consortium][2001: EU Pulp and Paper Consortium]

SWEDEN

- Lund University
- Royal Institute of Technology
- Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
- The Stockholm School of Economics
- University of Linköping
- Uppsala University

SWITZERLAND

- Universita Della Svizzera Italiana
- Universität St. Gallen
- University of Bern
- University of Lausanne

• UNITED KINGDOM

- Edinburgh College of Art (Heriot-Watt University)
- Herstmonceux Castle (Queen's University)
- Keele University
- Lancaster University
- Manchester Business School
- University of Aberdeen
- University of East Anglia
- University of Glasgow
- University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology
- University of Nottingham
- University of Wales
- University of Warwick

[1989: GFA and SEP; EU-Law Consortium
[1996: GFA and SEP]
[1995: SEP-Forestry; EU-Forestry Consortium]
[1991: SEP-Commerce Specific]
[2000: Education Masters Program Consortium]
[1993: GFA and SEP]

[1997: GFA][1991: SEP-Commerce Specific][2000: GFA and SEP-Law Specific][2001: GFA and SEP]

[2000: SEP-Agricultural Sciences Specific]
[1997: Canadian University Study Abroad
Program]
[1992: GFA and SEP]
[1992: GFA and SEP-Commerce Specific]
[1990: SEP-Commerce Specific]
[1998: GFA and SEP; EU Forestry Consortium]
[1993: GFA and SEP]
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[1996: SEP and SEP-Commerce Specific]

[2000: SEP; SEP-Civil Engineering Specific][2000: SEP; EU Forestry Consortium][1998: SEP-Applied Science & Commerce]

* GFA = General Framework Agreement—mutual cooperation encouraged, full international fees apply

* SEP = Student Exchange Program—reciprocal student exchange

* EU Consortiums = Consortium of European and Canadian universities which provides for faculty-specific student exchange amongst members of the consortium.

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