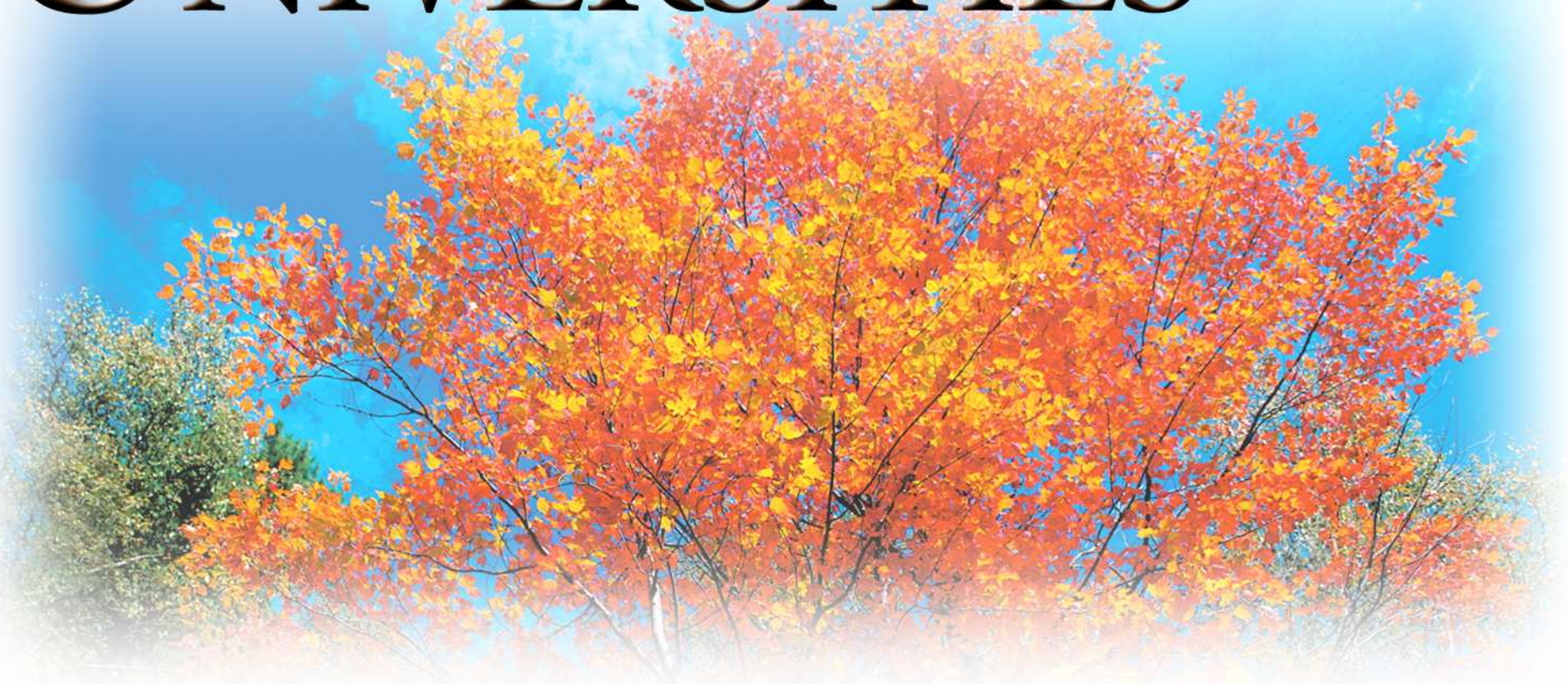


Canada's UNIVERSITIES



Association of Universities
and Colleges of Canada



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About AUCC

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Canadian Universities



94 universities and university-degree level colleges are AUCC members

2006 statistics:

815,000 Full-time students

265,000 Part-time students

41,000 Full-time faculty

Enrolment in Canadian universities growing strongly, with the university participation rate in the middle of OECD nations



Key Characteristics of the system



Quality

Value

Choice





International Students in Canadian Universities

There were over 70,000 full-time int'l students in Canada at the university level in the fall of 2006

Most popular programs of study for undergraduate international students:

business administration/commerce, liberal arts and sciences, management and operations, economics, computer and information sciences, electronics and communications engineering



Types of Degrees



Bachelor degrees (3-4 years)

First professional degrees
(e.g. medicine, law, architecture)

Graduate degrees (Master's and PhD level)





Recognition of Canadian University Degrees

Canadian university degrees are recognized
around the world

Degree granting authority conferred by provincial and
territorial governments

Quality Assurance

www.aucc.ca/qa/index_e.html

Professional programs have rigorous discipline-specific
accreditation procedures





Admission to Canadian Universities

Each university has its own specific
entrance requirements and assesses candidates
on an individual basis

General admission requirement for applicants:
completion of 12 grades

Language requirements:
proficiency in either English or French



Admission to Canadian Universities



Consult university catalogues and request application forms

The application deadline varies:

For September admission:
ranges from the previous January to March

For January admission:
ranges from the previous September to November





Study and work permits

- Study permit required if studying more than 6 months
- Application guidelines on CIC web site (www.cic.gc.ca)
- Certificate of Acceptance (CAQ) needed in Quebec
- Work for int'l students:
 - On-campus work possible
 - Off-campus work up to 20 hrs/week if enrolled at a participating institution or in approved private program
 - Post-graduation work permits available for a period of up to three years



Support for International Students

A wide range of student services are offered by most universities, including:

- Academic, career, and personal counseling
- International Student Advisors
- Help in finding off-campus housing
- Health services
- Scholarships



Useful web sites

- AUCC: www.aucc.ca
- CEC Network: www.studycanada.ca
- Canlearn: www.canlearn.ca
- Canadian embassies:
www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/world/embassies/menu-en.asp
- Canadian Bureau for International Education: www.cbie.ca
- Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials:
www.cicic.ca
- Citizenship and Immigration Canada: www.cic.gc.ca



Useful web sites

Information on studying in a particular province

- Alberta: www.advancededucation.gov.ab.ca
- British Columbia: www.bccie.bc.ca/
- Manitoba: www.mcie.ca
- Nova Scotia: www.novascotiaeducation.com
- Québec: www.immigration-quebec.gouv.qc.ca/





Useful web sites

Information on studying in a particular province: (continued):

- Ontario: www.edu.gov.on.ca
- PEI: www.gov.pe.ca
- New Brunswick: www.gnb.ca/0105/ps/enbsnb/index.html
- Newfoundland and Labrador: www.education.gov.nl.ca
- Saskatchewan: www.learning.gov.sk.ca/





Useful web sites

Research and innovation:

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC): www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca
- Canadian Institutes of Health Research: www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC): www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca
- Networks of Centres of Excellence: www.nce.gc.ca
- International Development Research Centre: www.idrc.ca