



St. Michael's
University School

BOARDING AT A GLANCE



Map of Victoria

Map Scale
1 cm = Approx. 1 km/0.6 mi



Our Mission

Our school seeks the excellence in all of us, with passion and compassion. We are a community shaped by the pursuit of truth and goodness, providing outstanding preparation for life.

Our Vision

To learn, to lead, to serve.

Our Values

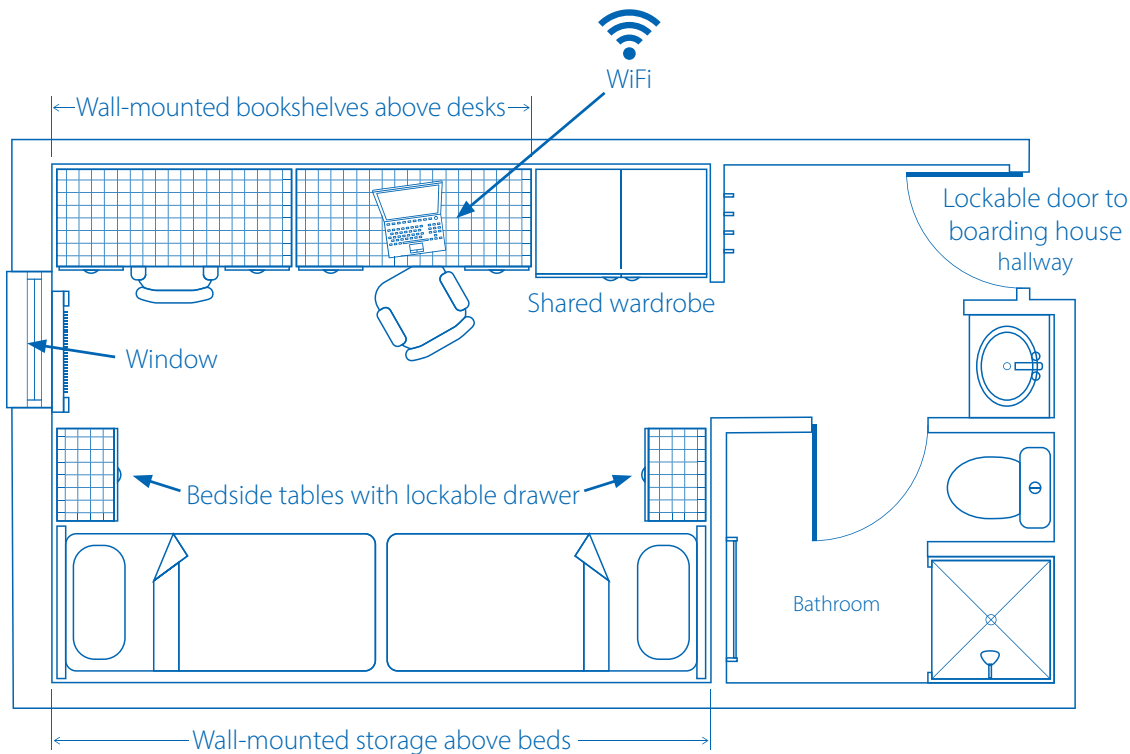
Respect | Courage | Honesty | Service



St. Michaels University School (SMUS) is an independent, not-for-profit day (Junior Kindergarten to Grade 12) and boarding (Grades 8 to 12) school. The school is located in Victoria, Canada and has a global reputation for academic excellence, character education and university preparation. You will join local Canadian students and students from 28 countries in one of Canada's top academic programs. You will also have exceptional opportunities in athletics, arts, leadership, service and outdoor education.

We acknowledge that our school rests in the heart of Straits Salish territory, a living culture with its own rites, ceremonies and unfolding history. We honour the Esquimalt, Songhees and WSÁNEĆ peoples, whose homelands we share and whom we recognize as our neighbours.





Boarding (Grades 8 to 12)

- 258 students in six houses on campus.
- An urban boarding experience in the safe and friendly city of Victoria, BC.
- International school community with students from more than 25 countries.
- Each room has a private washroom and shower, and is occupied by only two students.
- Three hot meals per day (plus salad bar, soups, cereals and snacks) in the beautiful, modern Graves Hall.
- Shared common rooms have a kitchen, pool tables, TVs and more.
- 6-8 houseparents in each residence to support and care for boarding students.

Examples of Weekend Boarding Activities

- Watch an ice hockey game downtown
- Spend a couple of hours at the nearby board game café
- Go for a beautiful walk along the beach
- Watch a movie and eat at a downtown Victoria restaurant
- Go on a guided nature hike
- Visit one of the many museums or art galleries
- Zipline through a nearby rainforest
- Take a trip to a cultural event in nearby Vancouver

Fees (2024-25)

Fees at St. Michaels University School include tuition, textbooks and transportation costs for our clubs and teams. Boarding fees also include accommodation and care in residence, meals, laundry and access to 24-hour nursing.

	Senior School
Place of Residence	Boarding
British Columbia	\$69,580
North America	\$76,650
International	\$91,010

There is an additional Language Learning Supplement fee for students receiving specialist English Language Learning (ELL) support. Fees for the 2025-26 year will be available in January 2025. We anticipate the fee increases will be in the range of 6% to 7.5%.

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AN AMAZING CAMPUS





Independent school
founded in 1906



Member of HMC, SSAT, NAIS,
TABS, WBSA, ISABC



School population **1,024**

602
Senior School

258
Total Boarders

1:7 Houseparent
to boarder ratio

5 Dedicated
university counsellors

17 Average
class size

1:7 Faculty to
student ratio

Over
150
courses
on offer

39 Nationalities
at the school

13 Competitive
Sports

125 Clubs and
Councils (K-12)

\$2.8M Amount of
tuition assistance

20% Tuition assistance programs
benefiting the student body



Advanced Placement

Students enjoy the challenge of taking university-level courses (and even earning first-year university credits) while still in high school. We offer the choice of 25 Advanced Placement (AP) courses in a variety of subject areas – from calculus and psychology to art history and physics.

- Art History
- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Comparative Government and Politics
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition
- French Language and Culture
- Human Geography
- Macroeconomics
- Physics 1
- Physics 2
- Physics C – Mechanics
- Physics C – Electricity and Magnetism
- Psychology
- Research
- Seminar
- Spanish Language and Culture
- Statistics
- Studio Art (Drawing, 2D Design, 3D Design)
- World History

Senior School (Grades 9 to 12)

- An academic program recognized internationally for its exceptional university preparation focus and for offering more than 120 courses.
- One of Canada's largest Advanced Placement programs, with 24 university-level courses.
- Opportunities in arts, athletics, leadership, service and outdoor education, which allows students to tailor their classroom and extracurricular experiences to their future ambitions.
- Full range of academic support, including Academic Advisors and University Counsellors who help students towards achieving their post-secondary goals.
- More than 65 clubs and councils and 25 sports teams to help students discover more about themselves and their passions.
- An international day and boarding school where students learn alongside students and teachers from 25 countries.
- Access to resources to support each student's mental health and wellbeing, including a four-person counselling team, an on-site Health Centre, and regular homeroom.
- State-of-the-art facilities including modern classrooms, science labs, art studios, sports fields, squash courts, a rowing centre, and dining hall.
- A supportive community in which students can fully be themselves as they build lifelong connections with classmates and teachers.

AP Capstone

SMUS offers the PhD-style AP Capstone program, which helps students develop specific academic skills for university. Through the AP Seminar and Research courses, students get in-depth experience researching, writing and presenting their findings. It's an incredible opportunity for students to learn the key skills and then experience writing and defending a thesis while in high school.

541 Total number of AP exams written in 2023

Number of students writing at least 1 AP exam **253**

112 Number of SMUS students earning an AP Scholar with Distinction award

Percentage of SMUS AP students with scores of 3, 4 or 5 **96%**

73% Percentage of SMUS exams with scores of 4 or 5



MANY INCREDIBLE
EXPERIENCES





Canada	No. of Acceptances	No. of Students Attending
Alberta		
Grant MacEwan University	1	1
Saint Mary's University	1	-
University of Alberta	10	-
University of Calgary	18	4
British Columbia		
Camosun College	4	-
Capilano University	1	-
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	1	-
Simon Fraser University	9	1
The University of British Columbia	68	24
University of Victoria	43	15
Vancouver Film School	1	1
Nova Scotia		
Acadia University	1	-
Dalhousie University	7	2
University of King's College	3	1
Ontario		
Brock University	1	1
Carleton University	4	-
McMaster University	21	2
OCAD University	1	-
Ontario Tech University	2	-
Queen's University	48	10
Toronto Metropolitan University	16	3
Trent University	4	-
University of Guelph	22	2
University of Ottawa	9	-
University of Toronto	75	22
University of Waterloo	25	2
University of Western Ontario	10	3
Western University	37	3
Western University - Huron College	3	2
Western University - King's College	1	-
University of Windsor	1	-
York University	7	-
Quebec		
Concordia University	8	4
McGill University	15	1

United States	No. of Acceptances	No. of Students Attending
Art Center College of Design	1	-
Barnard College	1	-
Baylor University	1	-
Boston University	5	2
California College of the Arts	1	-
Case Western Reserve University	1	-
Colby College	1	1
Columbia University in the City of New York	1	1
Dartmouth College	1	-
Emory University	1	1
Fisher College	1	-
Fordham University	1	-
George Washington University	1	-
Indiana University-Bloomington	2	-
Johns Hopkins University	1	1
Minerva University	1	-
New Jersey Institute of Technology	1	-
New York University	1	1
North Carolina State University at Raleigh	1	1
Northeastern University	2	1
Ohio State University-Main Campus	3	1
Pace University	1	-
Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus	1	-
Pratt Institute-Main	2	-
Purdue University-Main Campus	3	-
Rhode Island School of Design	1	1
Ringling College of Art and Design	1	-
Rochester Institute of Technology	1	-
Santa Clara University	1	-
School of the Art Institute of Chicago	2	-
Southern Methodist University	1	-
The New School	1	-
Trinity University	1	-
University of Arizona	1	-
University of California-Davis	8	-
University of California-Irvine	7	2
University of California-Los Angeles	3	1
University of California-Merced	2	-
University of California-Riverside	3	-
University of California-San Diego	4	-

United States	No. of Acceptances	No. of Students Attending
University of California-Santa Barbara	8	-
University of California-Santa Cruz	3	-
University of Colorado Boulder	1	-
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	4	2
University of Rochester	1	1
University of Southern California	2	1
University of Virginia-Main Campus	1	1
University of Washington-Seattle Campus	6	-
University of Wisconsin-Madison	1	-

United Kingdom	No. of Acceptances	No. of Students Attending
Arts University Plymouth	1	-
Durham University	2	-
Imperial College London	1	1
King's College London, University of London	4	3
Kingston University	1	-
Lesley University	1	-
Loughborough University	1	-
Newcastle University	1	-
Queen's University Belfast	2	-
The University of Edinburgh	5	2
UCL (University College London)	3	2
University of Bath	2	-
University of Birmingham	6	-
University of Bristol	2	-
University of Exeter	3	-
University of Glasgow	2	-
University of Greenwich	1	-
University of Leeds	4	-
University of Leicester	1	-
University of Manchester	4	2
University of Nottingham	3	1
University of Reading	1	-
University of Sheffield	1	-
University of Southampton	1	-
University of the Arts London	2	2
University of Warwick	4	-
University of the Arts London	2	2

International	No. of Acceptances	No. of Students Attending
Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences	1	-
IE University - Madrid Campus	1	-
Maastricht University	2	2
Paris College of Art	1	-
Parsons Paris - the New School	1	1
Sophia University	2	-
The Australian National University	1	-
The University of HongKong	1	1
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	1	1
The University of Sydney	1	-
Universidad de Navarra	1	1
University of Amsterdam	1	1
University of Groningen	1	-
University of Vienna	2	1
Waseda University	1	1

Number of graduates **151**

656 Total university acceptances

Percentage of graduates who earned scholarships **29%**

\$8,449,020

Total amount of scholarships offered to graduates in the last 3 years



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