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Vancouver, BC, Canada



PRE-ARRIVAL SESSION

FALL 2022 STUDENTS

JULY 27, 2022 – 8:30 AM PST



WELCOME!



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TODAY'S SESSION:

- Admissions Deadlines & Travel Updates
- Orientation Overview
- Key Dates
- Requirements for registrations
- Live Q&A



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MEET THE PANEL



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Admissions Deadlines & Travel Updates



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Modes of Delivery: Fall 2022

University Transfer, Associate Degree, University Preparatory

- Studies will be delivered **in person and on campus**
- Only students with valid or approved student visas/Study Permits can register
- Students must register between August 24 and September 2, 2022, and arrive in Vancouver by September 2, 2022
- Late arrivals due to visa approval delays could be accommodated on a case-by-case basis. Email **orientation@columbiacollege.ca** for more information.

Secondary programs

- Studies will be delivered **in person and on campus**
- HI-FLEX (online study) could be accommodated on a case-by-case basis. Email **orientation@columbiacollege.ca** for more information.



TO-DO ASAP: Finalize Admissions

Update your student file by sending us:

- Your final academic transcript
- Your high school completion diploma
- Any new IELTS/TOEFL/Duolingo test scores

Email admissions@columbiacollege.ca with your student ID in the subject line.



TO-DO ASAP: Confirm Enrollment

If your Study Permit application has been approved:

1. Fill out our **Enrollment Confirmation Form** online by **August 26, 2022**, and upload a copy of your *IRCC Study Permit Approval Letter* or *visa stamp*:

- <https://www.columbiacollege.ca/new-students/orientation/enrolment-confirmation/>
- You can only complete this form once – duplicate entries are not allowed
- Enrollment Confirmation Form will be live on our website on August 1. Expect an email from the College with instructions on Friday, July 29.

2. **Confirm your Orientation schedule**

- Our team will contact you to schedule your Math Placement Test (MPT)
- We will provide your orientation schedule after you complete your MPT
- **Please be patient, as we process a high volume of inquiries**



Travel: Preparation, Requirements, Documents



Travel Dates

- Students should be in Canada by **September 2, 2022**, to attend classes in person
- Students are recommended to travel to Canada **not earlier than 3 weeks** prior to classes starting
 - Suggested travel dates: from August 16, 2022 and onwards
 - You may be denied entry by the CBSA officer if you arrive too early



Entering Canada: Adults (18 or above)

All students aged 18 and above must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 at least 14 days prior to entering Canada

- Vaccines accepted by the Government of Canada: **Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD, Janssen** (Johnson & Johnson), **Bharat Biotech** (Covaxin), **Sinopharm, Sinovac**.
- Fully vaccinated = 2 doses (except for Johnson & Johnson)
- Vaccines can be received in any country, and travellers must provide documentation confirming their proof of vaccination in English, French, or with a certified translation

Effective April 1, 2022, pre-entry PCR tests are no longer required

Quarantine is no longer mandatory, but travellers must still provide details about their confirmed accommodation to CC (Travel Plan Form) **and the government** (ArriveCAN app)



Entering Canada: Youth (12-17)

Unvaccinated and partially vaccinated youth aged 12-17 must complete the following:

- **PCR testings:** 1) pre-departure, 2) on arrival, and 3) on Day 8
- 14-day quarantine upon arrival
- Register in advance for an arrival PCR test
- Checklist of requirements can be found at <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/exemptions#unvaccinated>

Quarantine information must be submitted to Columbia College (Travel Plan Form) **and the government** (ArriveCAN app)



72 hours prior to entering Canada

Please continue to pay careful attention to the latest entry requirements, as things can change with emerging COVID-19 variants

- Check <https://www.columbiacollege.ca/covid-19/updates/> for latest government updates
- Download the **ArriveCAN** app to enter your arrival and COVID-19 vaccination information
- Fill out our **Travel Plan Form** at <https://www.columbiacollege.ca/covid-19/travel/form>



Upon arrival in Canada

You may be subject to a random PCR testing at the airport. If you have been selected, please note:

- You can take connecting flights and trains – no need to wait for your test results
- You are **not required to quarantine** while awaiting the results

If you test positive

- You must isolate for 10 days and report your results and/or symptoms to the PHAC (call 1-833-641-0343) and notify Columbia College (email ssa@columbiacollege.ca)

If you test negative

- Monitor yourself for signs and symptoms
- Follow local public health measures
- Maintain a list of all close contacts and locations you visit for your first 14 days in Canada
- keep a copy of your pre-arrival test for 14 days



Departure: Documents Checklist

- Columbia College **Travel Plan Form**
- **ArriveCAN** Receipt
- Proof of Medical Insurance
- Letter of Acceptance (LOA) from Columbia College
- Digital and Physical copies of both vaccinations (if available)
- Originals or certified true copies of all academic documents
- Passport

NOTE: You no longer require a Travel Letter to enter Canada – your LOA is sufficient.



A Few Reminders:

- Inform us of any updates in your Study Permit application or changes in arrival plans
- Ensure to always include your **full name** and **student ID** when emailing Columbia College
- Check your email often, including Spam/Junk folder
- **DO NOT** send more than one email - allow up to five business days for processing

Email orientation@columbiacollege.ca if you have any questions at any point in your preparation for the Fall 2022 semester.



ORIENTATION OVERVIEW



Gabrielle Flores-Santiago
Student Services Manager





FALL 2022

- Orientation for all students will take place both online and in-person
- Information will be shared throughout the month of August
- Registration will take place from **August 24, 2022**, to **September 2, 2022**
- Classes will begin on **Tuesday, September 6, 2022**





WHAT DOES ORIENTATION INVOLVE

- Getting familiar with our learning platforms and technology
- Getting to know other students
- Preparing for your registration
- Learning about the services that we provide
- Ensuring that you are ready for classes





ORIENTATION FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS (GRADES 10, 11, 12)

- KICKOFF / Online orientation for all new students: **August 22, 2022**
- Online course planning and registration: **August 31, 2022**
- Course Planning and registration (Teams): **August 31 – September 2**
- In-person orientation on campus: **September 2**
- In-person 'Meet & Greet' with Instructors: **September 6**



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KEY DATES





August 12, 2022

- Access your Columbia College email account
- If you have received your student visa, completed the Enrollment Confirmation Form, and have provided all required documents, you will be given your Columbia College student credentials for your **email** and **Microsoft 365** accounts
- Please make sure your email is updated with Admissions and check your Spam/Junk folder often!



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August 17, 2022

- Connect with your dedicated **Student Engagement Ambassador (SEA)**
- You will be contacted by your dedicated SEA through your College email and Teams accounts
- **SEAs are current Columbia College students** who are here to answer your questions, help through the registration process and support you to be ready to start your classes on September 6.





August 23 - September 2, 2022

- Attend your **Welcome & Registration** sessions
- You will be invited to attend a variety of information sessions related to your program, registration, and preparing your classes. We will send this information to you through your CC email account – keep checking for updates about these sessions.
- **Attendance at these sessions is mandatory for your registration to be completed**
- The last day to register is Friday, September 2, 2022



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August 26, 2022

- All students must confirm that they are planning to register for the Summer 2022 semester by this date

From August 26, 2022: Complete the Columbia 101 module

- You will receive access to your **Columbia 101** module on Moodle.
- **Columbia 101** is a self-paced program that is designed to help you learn about all the support services that CC offers, as well as get used to our learning platforms so you are ready to begin your classes.





September 1 and 2, 2022

▪ **ON-CAMPUS ORIENTATION**

- Get to know the campus, where services are provided, and where your classes are located.
- Students will receive their Columbia College Student IDs.
- Quick introduction to Academic Advisors.
- Applying for BC's medical insurance (MSP).
- Take part in fun games (Amazing Race), sign up for prizes, and meet your classmates!



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September 6, 2022

- **First day of classes!**
- Your Student Engagement Ambassador will help you to prepare for your first week





September 12, 2022

- **Last day to make changes to your classes or schedule**
- Please review our refund policy in advance as penalties will apply once Orientation/Registration begins at <https://www.columbiacollege.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Academic-Calendar-2022-2023.pdf> (pages 73 – 76)





ORIENTATION KEY DATES: SNAPSHOT

August 12	Access to Columbia College email and Microsoft 365 accounts
August 17	Connect with your SEA
August 23-September 2	Attend information sessions related to your program
August 26	Complete Columbia 101 module on Moodle Deadline to complete Enrollment Confirmation Form
August 24-September 2	Registration for Fall 2022
September 1 and 2	In-person/on-campus orientation
September 6	First day of classes in Fall 2022
September 12	Last day to make changes to your classes or schedule



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AMBASSADORS (SEAs)





WHAT IS A STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AMBASSADOR?

Your **Student Engagement Ambassador (SEA)** will:

- Organize group meetings and discussions for you to get to know other students and make new friends
- Provide tutorials and information guides on important steps to follow
- Support with your registration
- Help make sure that you are prepared to start classes





REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- Fill out the **Enrollment Confirmation Form** to receive your Orientation Appointment
- Take the **Math Placement Test** (all university level students)
- Complete the **Columbia 101** Moodle module
- Attend your orientation and information sessions
- Provide a scanned copy (photo) of your Study Permit after your arrival in Canada





MATH PLACEMENT TEST (MPT)

- **All university-level students are required to take the MPT before registration.**
- You will be contacted by a member of our Admissions team about scheduling a date and time for your MPT after you complete the Enrollment Confirmation Form.
- This test is mandatory for all post-secondary programs (University Preparatory, University Transfer, and Associate Degree)
- DO NOT miss your MPT – your registration may be delayed
- For more information about the test, and to download the study guide or sample tests at <https://www.columbiacollege.ca/future-students/requirements/mathematics-placement/>





Medical Insurance

We recommend that all students who are travelling in advance to begin their studies in Canada in Fall 2022 purchase medical insurance before their arrival in the case that medical treatment is required.

Our international student insurance provider, **guard.me**, can provide insurance to students from their arrival date at a cost of \$1.65 per day of coverage using this link:

<https://www.guard.me/columbiacollege/department/early-arrivals>.

You will be able to purchase insurance until August 31, 2022 and you will need your Columbia College student ID number to proceed.

Once you arrive in Canada, you should enroll in British Columbia's Medical Services Plan. For more information about medical insurance for Columbia College students, click [here](#) or e-mail medicalinsurance@columbiacollege.ca.



IMPORTANT CONTACT

If you need help at any point, please contact us at

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LIVE Q&A

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