# VANCOUVER FILM SCHOOL

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Recruitment (Guidance Counsellor phone line, email, etc.)	https://vfs.edu/admissions admissions@vfs.com
Admissions contact and mailing address	Gija Williams, Director of Admissions, gija@vfs.com
Scholarship and financial aid	Gija Williams, Director of Admissions, gija@vfs.com
Campus tours	https://vfs.edu/campus-tour
Web address	https://vfs.edu/

#### INSTITUTION INFORMATION

Program highlights	<ul> <li>Graduate in just 1 short, intensive year – faster than most other schools.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>12 advanced industry production programs to choose from in Film, Animation, Game, Design, and beyond.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>3 preparatory programs in Film/Animation/Design, Acting, and English, for those who need to acquire the prerequisites for our advanced programs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Access world-class facilities across 8 production centres from day 1 of training, including a performance capture stage, a green screen room, film sets, makeup labs, recording studios, &amp; so much more.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Learn directly from active industry professionals with the most current experience &amp; credits.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Build a powerful creative portfolio – your industry calling card.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Build a strong network of creative professionals throughout the program that will last your entire career and help you land that first gig.</li> </ul>

Student population	1100-1300 full-time students
Co-op programs	Though VFS does not currently offer co-op programs, we are working to facilitate this in the future.

## **ADMISSIONS INFORMATION**

Minimum Alberta admission requirements Admission requirements online	<ul> <li>Must have graduated from high school or be 19 years old by the start date of the program</li> <li>Photo ID copy</li> <li>Transcript copy from the schools attended in the last 5 years</li> <li>2 Reference Contacts</li> </ul> Admissions requirements are specific to each individual
	program. The general admissions process can be found here: <u>https://vfs.edu/admissions</u> .
English language proficiency requirements	<ul> <li>Secondary School</li> <li>65% in English 12 or Communications 12</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>International Baccalaureate (IB)         <ul> <li>A final grade of 5 or higher on IB English A1 (English A: Language &amp; Literature) or A2 (English A: Literature) course</li> </ul> </li> <li>For more detailed language requirements, visit: <a href="https://vfs.edu/international-admissions">https://vfs.edu/international-admissions</a></li> </ul>
Minimum admission average	N/A
Conditional admissions process	<ul> <li>For grade 12 students who have not graduated yet when applying, VFS will process the application with grade 11 transcripts. VFS will offer a conditional acceptance until student provides the final high school transcripts.</li> <li>For International students, VFS will offer conditional acceptance until the student meets the ESL requirements.</li> </ul>
IB credit information	N/A
AP credit information	N/A
Policy on repeated courses	At the end of each term, a student's cumulative grade average will be calculated. Course grades are weighted based on their credit value. A student who has a

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	cumulative average below 64.5% will be placed on academic probation for the following term.
Policy on summer school, night school, online courses, and correspondence courses	Our programs are full-time, on-campus in Vancouver, Canada. We do offer short-track, online & in-person workshops and certificate courses through VFS CONNECT: <u>https://vfs.edu/part-time-</u> <u>programs/connect</u> . Also, through VFS CONNECT, we offer seasonal workshops during spring break (Creative Break) and during summer (Summer Intensives).
Treatment of out-of-province high school courses from schools such as Blyth or MEI	N/A
Application deadline	As most programs have multiple intakes per year, there are multiple deadlines throughout the year. We recommend applying 6-8 weeks prior to the preferred intake.
Application fee	\$100 for Canadian students; \$150 for International students
Timing of offers/grades used	VFS has 6 intake points per year. We recommend that students apply 6-8 months prior to their desired start date. Once VFS receives a completed application, Admissions will make a decision within 7 days.
Deferral policy	Students need to formally request a deferral by submitting a written notice to the Admissions office. This request should include the reason for the deferral and the preferred new start date. The Admissions team will review the request and determine if it can be accommodated based on availability and program capacity.

#### **RESIDENCE INFORMATION**

Residence options	Though we do not offer on-campus housing, there are many options available. View all of them here: <u>https://vfs.edu/housing</u> .
Residence application deadline	Deadlines vary. We do not offer on-campus housing.
Guaranteed residence?	Though we cannot guarantee residency, VFS Housing Coordinators have connections with Vancouver landlords and can help meet your needs and budget.

	We are dedicated to helping you find accommodations while you are attending VFS.
Room deposit fee	Varies, depending on the conditions set out by your landlord.
Can you apply online?	In some instances, yes. View all available housing options here: <u>https://vfs.edu/housing</u> .

#### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarship information website	https://vfs.edu/scholarships-overview
Number of scholarships awarded	We offer numerous scholarships every year; some are recurring while others are brand-new. Previously, we have offered the Women in Game Design Scholarship, the Indigenous Peoples Scholarship, and our annual Acting Scholarship. We also offer many Latin American scholarships with select institutions annually.
Scholarship application deadline	Scholarships are available throughout the year, and therefore deadlines vary.
Decision criteria	Applications are judged based on the creative merit and promise of the applicant's submission and their demonstrated passion to pursue a career in their respective industry.
Guaranteed scholarship program	N/A

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Treatment of diploma marks	N/A
Transcript requirements	N/A
Tuition differentials	N/A
Treatment of second choice program(s)	N/A

**NEW INSTITUTION UPDATES/HIGHLIGHTS** 

Located in one of the world's largest creative meccas, Vancouver Film School (VFS) is Canada's premier post-secondary entertainment arts institution, offering an immersive curriculum in film, animation, game, design, and beyond. VFS's production-based education is taught by industry professionals and delivered in accelerated time frames. With 12 advanced industry and 3 preparatory programs to choose from, students graduate in 12 months as in-demand creative professionals with powerful portfolios that will serve as their industry calling card.

In 2023, alumni were credited on 8 of the top 10 domestic grossing films, 7 of the 10 bestselling games, and 8 of the 10 most streamed shows, in a global industry valued at over US\$2.3 trillion. Additionally, over 1200 alumni were credited on award-nominated (and winning) projects during the 2024 awards season.

VFS is recognized as the #1 Global Animation School (Animation Career Review), the #1 Game Design School in Canada (Princeton Review Journal), and a Leading Film School in North America (Variety) and Worldwide (The Hollywood Reporter), amongst other accolades.

# ENGINEERING & NURSING REQUIREMENTS

N/A