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The University of British Columbia

- Two principal campuses located in Vancouver & Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada



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- 57,706 students (Vancouver: 49,372; Okanagan: 8,334)
- Over 275,000 alumni in 120 countries
- Ranked 31st in the world and 2nd in Canada by *THE* in 2013
- \$12.7 billion in economic impact
- \$519 million/year in research funding for 7,990 projects
- 153 companies spun off from UBC research



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Agent of change for regional social and economic development

- **Observation and understanding...**
 - ✓ Regional innovation dynamics, using large and small urban contexts as contrasting “living labs”
 - ✓ Multi-layered, integrated mapping of home region from primary production to determinants of health
- **Intervention and impact...**
 - ✓ Policy, product, process design, implementation and evaluation in partnership with community actors
 - ✓ Non-metropolitan regions in urbanizing world as object
- **Connection...**
 - ✓ International research and education linkages
 - ✓ Multi-to-transdisciplinary knowledge creation *and* translation in highly absorptive communities



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