

## Vancouver Island University Fact Sheet – August 2009

### University status

- Approval for special purpose, teaching university status for Malaspina University/College was announced April 23, 2008. The institution was renamed Vancouver Island University September 1, 2008.

### Annual grants

- Operating grants in 2008/09 were \$47.4 million, rising to \$50.4 million for 2009/10, for an increase of \$3 million.
- Operating funding to VIU has increased by \$14 million, from \$36.4 million in 2001/02 to \$50.4 million in 2009/10 – a 38.5 per cent increase.

### Student spaces

- Funded a total of 6,636 student spaces for 2009/10.

### 2008/09 Utilization:

Funded Seats	Actual	Utilization Rate
6,636	5,900	88.9%

- Funded spaces to Vancouver Island University has increased by 556, from 6,080 in 2003/04 to 6,636 in 2009/10 – a 9.1 per cent increase.

### Capital projects: Over \$77.5M since 2001, including:

- \$26.6 million (includes a \$13.1M federal contribution) to build the new Cowichan Place campus in Duncan.
- \$4.25 million (includes a \$2.1M federal contribution) to help fund a new shellfish research station at Deep Bay.
- \$3.85 million to acquire 40 per cent of the Cowichan Fairgrounds site for future development.
- \$2.4 million from the BC Knowledge Development Fund towards a total project cost of \$5.9 million for the Centre for Shellfish Research, Phase I and Phase II projects.
- \$1 million for new and replacement equipment for trades programs as part of ALMD's \$8.75M one/time capital allocation provided to institutions for new trades training equipment.

### Special Funding:

- \$420,000 to develop and implement year two of their three/year Aboriginal Service Plan to enhance Aboriginal learner success in consultation with Aboriginal communities.
- \$49,978 from the Aboriginal Special Project Funds for the Enhancing Learning in Aboriginal Communities: Effective Video/casting Practices project.
- \$94,600 for the Snuneymuxw House of Learning project.

**New degree programs approved since 2001:**

- Bachelor of arts, major in digital media studies
- Bachelor of arts, major in geography
- Bachelor of arts, major in global studies
- Bachelor of arts, major in graphic design
- Bachelor of arts, major in economics
- Bachelor of arts, major in philosophy
- Bachelor of arts, major in physical education
- Bachelor of arts, minor in First Nations studies
- Bachelor of arts, minor in global studies
- Bachelor of arts, minor in physical education
- Bachelor of arts, minor in political science
- Bachelor of arts, minor in romance languages and culture
- Bachelor of science, computing science
- Bachelor of science, major in psychology
- Bachelor of science, minor in chemistry
- Bachelor of business administration
- Bachelor of interior design
- Masters of business administration

**New non-degree programs approved since 2001:**

- Diploma, advanced diploma in GIS
- Diploma, business studies – post-degree
- Diploma, culinary arts
- Diploma, dental hygiene
- Diploma, disabilities studies
- Diploma, green building and renewable energy technician
- Diploma, horticultural therapy
- Diploma, iPRO (Internet production program)
- Diploma, romance languages and culture – post-degree
- Diploma, teacher professional upgrading – post-degree
- Certificate, applied business technology (on-line)
- Certificate, community leadership
- Certificate, event management
- Certificate, iPRO (Internet production program)
- Certificate, sustainable landscape management
- Certificate, management skills for supervisors
- Certificate, school and community support worker
- Certificate, sustainable greenhouse management