A NEW WAY FORWARD.

Cape Breton University

Canadian Viewbook
2026/2027

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Land Acknowledgement

Cape Breton University acknowledges it is located in Unama'ki, one of the seven districts of Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq, Wolastoqiyik and Passamaquoddy People first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources but, in fact, recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

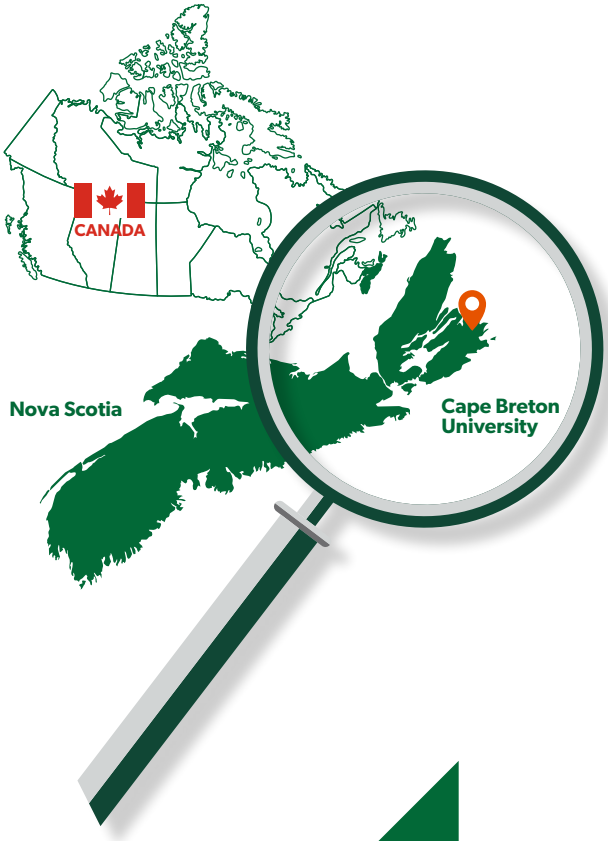
A WORLD OF **OPPORTUNITY** AWAITS

At **Cape Breton University**, you'll find more than just a place of learning. Here, you'll discover a community that empowers you to explore your passions and interests and shape the future you envision for yourself.

With a wide array of unique and innovative programs, dynamic student supports, experiential learning and research opportunities and an inclusive, welcoming campus, CBU gives you the tools you need to go far no matter which direction you choose.

Whether you're close to home or studying from away, you'll be sure to find a sense of belonging that makes it easy to thrive from day one.

CBU.ca/future-students



CBU at a Glance

60+
AREAS OF STUDY

5
ACADEMIC SCHOOLS

20+
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

15:1
AVERAGE STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

$2.6M+
IN ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

40K+ *Alumni*
WORLDWIDE

$12.4M
RESEARCH GRANT AWARDED IN 2025
CBU'S LARGEST IN HISTORY

50+
COUNTRIES REPRESENTED BY STUDENTS

EXPLORE OUR **PROGRAMS**

Innovative programs for a changing world.

UNDERGRADUATE

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts (BA) ◆

Bachelor of Arts Community Studies (BACS) ◆

MAJOR
- Anthropology
- Communication
- English
- Folklore
- Gaelic Language & Cultural Sustainability**
- History
- Mathematics
- Mi'kmaq Studies
- Music**
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Sport and Physical Activity Leadership**

MINOR
- Anthropology
- Communication
- Earth and Environment**
- English
- Folklore
- French
- Gaelic*
- Gender & Women's Studies*
- History
- Mathematics
- Mi'kmaq Studies
- Music
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology

CONCENTRATION
- Anthropology
- Business Studies**
- Communication
- English
- Folklore
- French
- History
- Mathematics
- Mi'kmaq Studies
- Music
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Sport and Physical Activity Leadership**

CERTIFICATE
- Anthropology
- Cultural Sustainability & Gaelic Language

◆ Co-op Eligible

* Available only within the Bachelor of Arts program.

** Available only within the Bachelor of Arts Community Studies program.

Bachelor of Arts and Science in Environment (BASE) ◆

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

SHANNON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) ◆

MAJOR
- Accounting
- Marketing
- Supply Chain Management

CONCENTRATION
- Economics
- Finance
- Human Resources
- Legal Studies
- Tourism and Hospitality Management

Bachelor of Hospitality and Tourism Management (BHTM)

BBA + BHTM Dual Degree

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Science (BSc)

MAJOR
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Psychology
- Engineering*

MINOR
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Psychology

CONCENTRATION
- Mathematics
- Psychology
- Biology
- Chemistry

*Available within Math and Chemistry majors.

Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BET) ◆

STREAMS
- Advanced Mechanical
- Chemical
- Electronics & Controls
- Enviromental Studies
- Manufacturing*
- Mechanical

*Available for students entering via an Advanced Standing articulation agreement pathway.

Bachelor of Engineering (Transfer)*/Engineering Diploma

*In partnership with Dalhousie University; years 1-2 completed at CBU, years 3-4 completed at DAL.

Bachelor of Health Sciences (Public Health) (BHSc)

Unsure of what these terms mean?

Visit **CBU.ca/cbu-dictionary**

Did you know?

You can pair your **BBA** degree with a **BA** or **BACS** degree.

Each discipline within the Bachelor of Science program offers a clear **pre-med track** for students wishing to pursue medical school after graduation.

Students can pursue a **BSc + BEng** dual credential (90 credits).

CBU offers embedded certificates that can be taken as part of your undergraduate degree.

Learn more by visiting **CBU.ca/certificates**

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Bachelor of Science, Nursing (BScN)

- Direct Entry
- Advanced Standing
- LPN to RN Pathway

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Education (BEd)

- Elementary Education
- Secondary Education

FIND THE RIGHT PROGRAM FOR YOU

CBU.ca/programs

GRADUATE

SHANNON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

MASTER OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND BUSINESS ANALYTICS (MAIBA)

MASTER OF HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION (MHLI)

MASTER OF DIGITAL MARKETING (MDM)

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA in CED)
in Community Economic Development

CONCENTRATIONS

- International Business
- Tourism
- Public Policy
- First Nations
- Strategic Leadership
- Marketing
- Sustainability
- Emergency Management

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

MASTER OF EDUCATION (MEd in CTL)
in Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning

MASTER OF EDUCATION (MEd in HSHWB)
in Holistic School Health & Well-Being

Online Only
Online Option Available

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS*

If you're entering CBU direct from high school, here are the eligible programs and equivalency requirements:	ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC COURSES	MINIMUM OVERALL AVERAGE
Bachelor of Arts	X			4 other courses	65%
Bachelor of Arts and Science in Environment	X	X	X*	2 other courses	75%
Bachelor of Arts Community Studies	X			4 other courses	65%
Bachelor of Business Administration	X	X		3 other courses	65%
Bachelor of Hospitality and Tourism Management	X	X		3 other courses	65%
Bachelor of Engineering (Transfer)	X	X*	2 Science*	1 other course	65%
Bachelor of Engineering Technology	X	X*	2 Science*	1 other course	65%
Bachelor of Health Sciences (Public Health)	X	X	1 Chemistry 1 Science*	1 other course	65%
Bachelor of Science	X	X	2 Science*	1 other course	65%
Bachelor of Science, Nursing	X	X*	2 Science*	1 other course	70%

*Admission requirements may vary by mode of entry and program type. Please visit **CBU.ca/admission-requirements** for more information.

COMPLETED AN **UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE?**

Take your education further with our professional career-focused programs.

Bachelor of Education (Elementary Stream)

- Completion of an undergraduate degree (minimum of 90 credits)
- Minimum 70% average within the last 60 credits completed; minimum 65% overall
- 6 credits in English coursework
- 6 credits in Science-related coursework
- 6 credits in Social Studies related coursework
- 3 credits in Developmental Psychology
- 3 credits in Critical Study coursework

Bachelor of Education (Secondary Stream)

- Completion of an undergraduate degree (minimum of 90 credits)
- Minimum 70% average within the last 60 credits completed; minimum 65% overall
- Concentrations in relevant teachable content areas
- First teachable subject: at least 30 credits hours in a single discipline
- Second teachable subject: at least 18 credit hours in a single discipline

For a full list of BEd admission requirements, visit **CBU.ca/bed**.

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

- Completion of an undergraduate degree (minimum of 90 credits)
- Minimum 70% average within the last 60 credits completed; minimum 65% overall

For a full list of BSW admission requirements, visit **CBU.ca/bsw**.

GRADUATE PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Master of Education in Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning

- Completion of an undergraduate degree with a minimum 70% average in the last 30 credits completed.
- Minimum of two years of professional experience in relevant educational contexts.
- Statement of Intent (750-1000 words) which also acts as a writing sample, outlining main curiosities in relation to curriculum, teaching, experiences that have prepared you for this program, as well as motivation for applying and future career goals.
- Two letters of reference (one academic, one professional*).
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

Master of Education in Holistic School Health and Well-Being

- Completion of an undergraduate degree with a minimum 70% average in the last 30 credits completed.
- Minimum of two years of professional experience in relevant educational contexts.
- Statement of Intent (750-1000 words) which also acts as a writing sample, discussing reasons for pursuing a program focusing on holistic school health and well-being and future goals for promoting holistic health and well-being in an educational context. Creative submissions are encouraged and may include components such as visual/creative artwork, orality, video, or a multimedia portfolio.
- Two letters of reference (one academic, one professional*).
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

SHANNON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Master of Artificial Intelligence and Business Analytics*

- Four (4) year undergraduate degree (or equivalent) from a recognized or accredited university in science, mathematics, computer science, business, economics, or engineering
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (73-76%) or B in the final 60 credits of study
- Successful completion of a statistics course with at least 70% final grade
- Applicants who do not meet standard academic criteria may be considered for admission based on GMAT scores and/or professional experience
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

Master of Business Administration in Community Economic Development*

- Bachelor's Degree with a B+ (75% average) from a recognized university
- A resume detailing employment experience, skills, community involvement and interests
- A two-page (500-800 word) statement outlining background, interests, and desire to enter the program
- Three reference letters (including one professional and one academic)
- GMAT score report (international applicants – minimum 500 with a balanced score) or GRE score report (min. 304 with a balanced score)
- Satisfactory interview performance (if applicable)
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

Master of Digital Marketing*

- Four (4) year baccalaureate degree (or equivalent) recognized from an accredited or recognized university
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (73-76%) or B in the final 60 credits of study
- Applicants who do not meet standard academic criteria may be considered for admission based on GMAT scores and/or professional experience
- Prior work-related experience of 2 years is recommended but not required
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

Master of Healthcare Leadership and Innovation*

- Four (4) year bachelor's degree in a health-related field; or two (2) years of experience in a health-related field with a non-related degree
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (73-76%) or B in the final 60 credits of study
- Applicants who do not meet standard academic criteria may be considered for admission based on GMAT scores and/or professional experience
- Prior work-related experience of 2 years is recommended but not required
- Meet CBU's English Language Requirements

*Admissions requirements may vary by province. Visit **CBU.ca/graduate-studies** for more information.

General undergraduate requirements by province:

ATLANTIC

NOVA SCOTIA

- English 12 (academic or advanced)
- Math 12 (academic or advanced)
- Science
- Grade 12 academic or advanced level courses

NEW BRUNSWICK

- English 122
- Math 120 Foundations or Pre-cal or Calculus
- Science 122 courses
- Other Grade 12 academic or advanced level courses

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

- English 621
- Math 611B or 621A or 631B
- Science 621 courses
- Other Grade 12 academic or advanced level courses

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

- English 3201
- Math 3200 or 3201 or 3204 or 3205
- Science 3000-level courses
- Other 3000-level courses

CENTRAL

QUEBEC

- English 603 or 604
- Linear Algebra or Advanced Functions
- Science academic-level courses
- Other Grade 12 (CEGEP) academic-level courses

ONTARIO

- English 4U
- Math 4U-level course
- Science 4U-level courses
- Other 4U or 4M-level courses

PRAIRIES

MANITOBA

- 40S-level courses

SASKATCHEWAN

- English A30 or B30
- Math 30-level
- Science 30-level courses
- Other 30-level courses

ALBERTA

- English 30-1
- Math 30-1 or 30-2 or 31
- Science 30 or 31-level courses
- Other 30 or 31-level courses

PACIFIC

BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Foundation Math 12 or Pre-Calculus Math 12 or Calculus Math 12
- English Grade 12-level courses
- Science Grade 12-level courses
- Other Grade 12-level courses

NORTHERN TERRITORIES

YUKON

- Foundation Math 12 or Pre-Calculus Math 12 or Calculus Math 12
- English Grade 12-level courses
- Science Grade 12-level courses
- Other Grade 12-level courses

NWT

- English 30-1
- Math 30-1 or 30-2 or 31
- Science 30 or 31-level courses
- Other 30 or 31-level courses

NUNAVUT

- English 30-1
- Math 30-1 or 30-2 or 31
- Science 30 or 31-level courses
- Other 30 or 31-level courses

CBU.ca/admissions

WE'RE HERE TO **HELP.**

University is an exciting chapter in your life, but it can also come with its own unique set of challenges and uncertainties. But you don't have to go it alone. Our teams are here to guide you each step of the way with a variety of student services and supports to help you thrive in all aspects of your university journey.

ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

Academic Advising - Individualized guidance with course selection, registration and degree planning

Math and Science Centre - Drop-in tutoring services for introductory math, science and business courses

Success Coaching - Personalized skill-development and academic coaching

Writing Centre - One-on-one academic writing assistance

Communication Centre - Build communication skills and confidence to succeed academically, professionally and personally.

CULTURAL & ACCESSIBILITY SUPPORTS

Unama'ki College - CBU's Indigenous cultural hub and resource centre

African Nova Scotian/African Canadian Support Services - Dedicated mentorship, tutoring, advocacy and community-building resources

Jennifer Keeping Centre for Accessible Learning - CBU's accessibility hub for equitable learning and disability-specific resources

HEALTH & WELL-BEING SUPPORTS

Nancy Dingwall Health & Counselling Centre - CBU's collaborative on-campus healthcare facility for integrated, confidential care

Campus Life & Recreation - CBU Fitness Centre, campus sports, recreation, cultural activities, creative resources and community events

The University recognizes the importance of mental health initiatives, and its investment in student-led initiatives has shown me that overall well-being is a priority at CBU.

- Tal Parsons

Bachelor of Arts graduate '22,
Bachelor of Social Work graduate '25

CAREER & EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS

Career Centre - CBU's dedicated centre for career development and work-integrated, experiential learning resources

GET THE **EXPERIENCE** YOU NEED.

Complementing your degree with workplace experience will help set you up for success before and after graduation. CBU's Career Services team works closely with students to build practical, hands-on skills outside of the classroom to bolster a competitive edge in today's job market.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING at CBU

Co-operative Education (Co-op)

Co-op provides an excellent opportunity for students to combine academic study with **paid, full-time work experience**, allowing you to test-drive career interests while earning academic credit toward your degree. You'll gain valuable job-ready experience, develop practical workplace skills and begin to build your professional network, giving you a competitive edge for future pursuits.

Work Study

On-campus employment opportunities are available for students in good academic standing, allowing you to work under the supervision of faculty or staff across the University as you progress through your studies.

Global Learning (Study Abroad)

Earn credit toward your degree as you experience life from a different lens. CBU's Exchange Program provides students the opportunity to expand their horizons with a semester or year of study abroad at partner universities across the globe. The benefit? You'll pay the same tuition while studying in a new country, allowing you to develop valuable life skills and a broadened worldview.

CBU.ca/experiential-learning-programs

Research

Cape Breton University researchers study topics that address real-world affairs. From pursuing community-engaged research to forging partnerships in public health and environmental sustainability, CBU faculty – with the support of student research assistants – are responding to local, national and international realities.

These efforts continue to be recognized through prestigious awards including a recent investment of $12.4 million from Research Nova Scotia to support CBU's Dr. Alison Grittner, faculty in the Bachelor of Social Work program, in a seven-year research project to develop and pilot supports for rural Nova Scotians to age in the right place. Currently underway, this project marks the largest research grant in CBU's history and is a notable example of how CBU's research efforts are making a difference to academics, students and communities.

CBU.ca/research

NEW & UPCOMING **DEVELOPMENTS**

Explore our evolving campus.

At CBU, we're proud to invest in the future of our students, faculty and staff through ongoing campus upgrades and exciting new developments to serve our growing, diverse community.

Cape Breton Medical Campus (CBMC)

The Cape Breton Medical Campus is Nova Scotia's second medical campus designed to train the next generation of physicians to help address healthcare needs specifically in Cape Breton and rural communities across Nova Scotia. Established in partnership with the Dalhousie Faculty of Medicine, the CBMC proudly accepts 30 Nova Scotia students annually. Students who complete their medical degrees at the CBMC will practice family medicine in rural communities increasing health capacity across the province for generations to come. The brand-new medical sciences building features state of the art infrastructure and a new 10,000 patient collaborative care clinic under the direction of Nova Scotia Health with a strong focus on education, training and research in rural practice.

CBU.ca/cbmc

MacLeod Centre for Discovery and Innovation (CDI)

The MacLeod Centre for Discovery and Innovation is a transformative new academic building set to open in mid-2028, housing state-of-the-art research and instructional facilities to propel scientific inquiry, advance discovery and expedite local solutions for global problems. Aligned with CBU's Climate Action Commitment, the CDI has been designed to comply with the Canada Green Building Council Zero Carbon Building Design Standard and will feature the latest in green technology and digital infrastructure, elevating Cape Breton as a national destination for community-engaged research and innovation, making it a global destination for students. The facility will include modern collaborative research laboratories, active-learning classrooms, flexible student service spaces, and house the Marshall Legacy Centre, in honour of Donald Marshall Junior, designed through consultation with Mi'kmaw Elders, Knowledge Holders and community members.

CBU.ca/cdi

Unama'ki College

Atlantic Canada's Leader in Indigenous Student Success

CBU is proud to be home to Unama'ki College, a dedicated centre focused on preserving and sharing Mi'kmaw culture, knowledge and heritage within the local community and beyond.

Through community-based programming, student support services and cultural resources, Unama'ki College provides support for Indigenous students completing their university studies while serving as an inclusive space for all students to learn, connect and celebrate Mi'kmaw culture.

- L'nu Resource Centre
- The Kji-Keptin Alexander Denny L'nui'sultimkewey-O'kuom (Mi'kmaq Language Lab)
- Student Lounge
- Mi'kmaw Speakers
- On-campus Elders and Knowledge Keepers

CBU.ca/unamaki-college

Take a virtual tour!

virtualtour.cbu.ca/cbu/unamaki-college

AFRICAN **NOVA SCOTIAN/ CANADIAN**

Support Services

Addressing students' unique needs and supporting their success is the utmost priority of the Student Development Officer for students of African Nova Scotian/Canadian descent. We believe that through culturally informed support and a tailored one-on-one experience, students can effectively navigate their academic journey with confidence and thrive from start to finish.

CBU.ca/ANS

CBU Students' Union (CBUSU)

The Cape Breton University Students' Union serves as the collective voice of students on and off campus, advocating for high-quality, fully accessible education that recognizes students as the priority. Their mission is to create change through advocacy and inspire growth through engagement.

The Students' Union is home to a number of services that fulfill the diverse needs of the student body at CBU, including:

CBUSU Food Bank

With support from food drives and generous donors, CBUSU's Food Bank aids students and their families in need.

Women's Centre

A confidential resource centre and safe haven for all self-identified women and non-binary persons on campus, CBUSU's Women's Centre is operated by student personnel trained in crisis intervention and women's issues.

Multicultural Hub

Open to all CBU students, CBUSU's Multicultural Hub is a student-operated space which aims to promote inclusivity across campus, providing opportunities to connect and explore diversity through cultural events, recreational activities and more.

Ekkian Indigenous Centre

CBUSU's Ekkian Indigenous Centre works to align CBUSU's organizational goals with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's 'Calls to Action' established in 2015, spreading awareness among the CBU student body on the history and importance of Indigenous cultures.

Pride & Ally Centre

An inclusive safe space for all students, CBUSU's Pride & Ally Centre is a student-operated space providing confidential resources, support and referrals for the 2SLGBTQIA+ and broader community.

... and more!

CBUSU.ca

CAMPUS **LIFE** & **RECREATION**

Studying is a big part of your CBU journey, but it isn't the only part. Whether you're looking for a fun activity or a way to contribute to your overall wellness, there's something on campus for everyone. We have a robust campus recreation program that includes competitive **intramural sports**, **high-level club sports**, **various outdoor recreation opportunities**, **creative arts** and much more!

Creative Arts

At CBU, we're spoiled with excellent creative arts opportunities available to our campus community. There are always exciting performances at the **Boardmore Theatre**, and our **Art Gallery** is a creative hub with a full schedule of thought-provoking exhibitions. If you consider yourself a history buff, the **Beaton Institute** is the official repository for our Island's historical records and serves as a cultural heritage archive contributing to local, regional, national and global research.

Sullivan Fieldhouse

Nestled at the heart of campus, the Sullivan Fieldhouse serves as a dynamic hub for both varsity and recreational sports. For the recreational enthusiast, it provides a versatile space for intramural leagues, fitness classes and open gym sessions, allowing students to engage in a variety of activities.

Cape Breton Health & Recreation Complex

The Cape Breton Health & Recreation Complex, affectionately known as **"The Dome"** by students and community members alike, is a vibrant epicenter of health, fitness and community engagement. The Dome also stands as the heart of soccer in Cape Breton. It hosts a wide range of soccer programs, from competitive university leagues to community and youth activities, making it a pivotal venue for soccer enthusiasts across the region.

Disc Golf Course

A first within Canadian post-secondary institutions, CBU's disc golf course offers an 18-hole layout that weaves through the scenic trails surrounding the campus.

CBU.ca/rec

Kehoe Forum

CBU's Kehoe Forum, formerly the Canada Games Complex, has recently undergone a transformative $38 million upgrade cementing its status as the proud Home of Women's Hockey. Originally built for the 1987 Canada Games, this multifaceted sports hub has been fully renovated to include an expanded Nancy Dingwall Health & Counselling Centre, a brand new fitness facility, an indoor walking track and a fully accessible ice surface for sledge hockey. Serving students, faculty, and the broader community as an elite performance training centre and large-scale event space, the Kehoe Forum is home to the CAPERS Women's Hockey Team and the Cape Breton Blizzard Female Hockey Association which consists of more than 500 girls and young women at all levels of play. The fully accessible arena, the only one of its kind in Cape Breton, is also home to the Cape Breton Sledgehammers.

CAPERS

At CBU, we're dedicated to supporting our student-athletes. Our CAPERS athletic teams are comprised of top student-athletes from across the globe, representing Cape Breton University in men's and women's basketball, soccer, and women's hockey. Formed in 1982 under the U Sports Association, the CAPERS have seen great successes throughout their legacy as nationally ranked champions.

12 MEDALS

93 ALL-CANADIANS

33 CHAMPIONSHIPS

293 ALL-STARS

95 MAJOR AWARDS

CAPERS Men's Soccer Team!

2023 U SPORTS National Champions

GOCAPERSGO.CA

LIVING ON **CAMPUS**

CBU offers a variety of on-campus accommodations, including single and private dorms, traditional dorm rooms and trendy apartment-style living.

Take a virtual tour!

Residence Application Fee	$25
Residence Confirmation Deposit	$700
Annual prices range from	$2,380 - $4,300 per semester
Meal plans range from	$500 - $3,625 per semester

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Looking for off-campus housing? Our website features a searchable database to help students find suitable off-campus accommodations. This database is maintained by our Off-Campus Housing Coordinator, who works to connect students with landlords and vice versa.

Housing plays a vital role in your student experience. **Off-campus housing in the area is limited, and students should begin their search early.**

Students should budget approximately $1,000* per month for housing and associated costs (heat, lights, internet, etc.).

**Amount shown is an estimate and may vary based on dwelling type and other individual or personal factors.*

CBU.ca/housing

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES

HARD WORK **GETS REWARDED**

When we work together and invest in each other, great things happen. That's why we provide more than $2.6 million in scholarships each year, supporting students from their first year through to graduation.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND **BURSARIES**

Cape Breton University provides students an opportunity to apply for financial support via our scholarship and bursary program. There are a number of financial awards that students may be eligible for. In order to be eligible for a financial award, students must:

- Be a registered CBU student, and/or
- Complete an application form

FINANCIAL SUPPORT ADVISORS

Our Financial Support Specialists are available to assist with anything student-finance related, including student loan applications and financial aid awards.

I've had an amazing undergraduate experience and I'm really grateful for everything that has led me to this point. I'm proud to have received this award on a personal level, but I think it also speaks to the incredible opportunities and the level of support students receive here at CBU.

Ava Graham
Bachelor of Science (Honours) Graduate, '25
McCall MacBain Regional Award Recipient, '25

CBU.ca/scholarships

TUITION & FEES

Education is a worthwhile investment with lifelong returns; just ask one of our 40,000 alumni!

Tuition and fees vary based on area of study, the number of credit hours required by program and provincial residency status. Additionally, students are responsible for a range of fees which help support campus services and student life including application fees, health and dental plans, lab fees, graduation fees and others depending on a student's specific circumstances.

Below is a comprehensive overview of tuition and additional fee estimates for the 2026-2027 academic year. Nova Scotia residents benefit from a provincial bursary of $128.30 per 3-credit course which is reflected in the totals shown.

UNDERGRADUATE

PROGRAM	PROGRAM DURATION	NOVA SCOTIA RESIDENTS (Per Year)	CANADIAN RESIDENTS (Per Year)
Bachelor of Arts (BA)	3 or 4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Arts Community Studies (BACS)	3 or 4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Arts and Science in Environment (BASE)	4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)	4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Education (BEd)*	1 years	$22,032	$25,936
Bachelor of Engineering (Transfer)	2 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BET)**	2, 3 or 4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Health Sciences, Public Health (BHSc)**	2 or 4 years	$11,072 / $9,298	$13,511 / $11,331
Bachelor of Hospitality and Tourism Management (BHTM)	3 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Science (BSc)	3 or 4 years	$9,298	$11,331
Bachelor of Science Nursing (BScN)**	2 or 3 years	$16,412 / $15,439 / $14,041	$19,340 / 18,082 / $16,670
Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)*	16 months	$22,152 (Total Program)	$26,056 (Total Program)

**Previous undergraduate degree required.*
***Multiple program streams available.*

GRADUATE

PROGRAM	PROGRAM DURATION	NOVA SCOTIA RESIDENTS (Total Program Cost)	CANADIAN RESIDENTS (Total Program Cost)
Master of Business Administration in Community Economic Development (MBA in CED)*	2 years	$27,908 / $39,246	$30,810 / $42,513
Master of Education in Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning (MEd in CTL)**	2.5 years	$11,808	$13,595
Master of Education in Holistic School Health & Well-Being (MEd in HSHWB)**	2.5 years	$11,808	$13,595
Master of Artificial Intelligence and Business Analytics (MAIBA)	16 months	$17,266	$18,805
Master of Healthcare Leadership and Innovation (MHLI)	16 months	$17,266	$18,805
Master of Digital Marketing (MDM)	16 months	$17,266	$18,805

**Multiple program delivery options available.*
***Online delivery only.*

ADDITIONAL FEES*

FEE	AMOUNT	CONDITIONS
Application Fee (Undergraduate)	$40	Non-refundable
Application Fee (Graduate)	$100	Non-refundable
Textbooks & Learning Materials	$150 per 3-credit course	Applicable to all students; estimate for budgeting
Health Plan**	$200	These rates are subject to change annually
Dental Plan**	$130	These rates are subject to change annually

Other fees may apply. For more information and a detailed cost breakdown by program, visit **CBU.ca/tuition.*
***Students who have their own coverage through an employer, a parent, or sponsored by an Indigenous Band Council, are eligible to opt-out of (drop) the CBU Students' Union plan.*

For additional information and a detailed cost breakdown, visit **CBU.ca/tuition**

IMPORTANT **DATES**

2026

OCTOBER

1st Application Opens for Fall 2027 Undergraduate Programs.

24th **Open House**
Get to know CBU for yourself - from our growing campus to student life and everything else.

2027

JANUARY

15th Application Closes for Spring 2027 BEd and Fall 2027 BSW Programs.

FEBRUARY

1st Application Closes for Spring 2027 BScN Program

26th Application Closes for Fall 2027 BScN Program

MARCH

1st Application to apply for Entrance Scholarships closes.

MAY

Applying for a student loan? Now is the time to start!

JUNE

Applying for Fall? Ensure all final transcripts are submitted by this time!

AUGUST

Welcome Capers! Residence Move-In
Week of Welcome/New Student Orientation Begins!

CBU.ca/important-dates

Join us for an event!

CBU.ca/events

APPLYING TO CBU

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Important information you need to know before you apply can be found at **CBU.ca/beforeyouapply**.

HOW TO APPLY

Visit **CBU.ca/howtoapply** for a step-by-step guide on our application process.

ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Received an admission offer? Confirm your program seat!

In order to register for courses, you must first accept your admission offer by paying a non-refundable tuition deposit. This will confirm your seat at CBU and be used toward your tuition and fees balance. Additionally, you'll be the first to see available Fall courses once registration opens.

Visit **CBU.ca/accept** to learn more!

WHAT'S NEXT?

Find a handy checklist of next steps once you've confirmed your seat at **CBU.ca/whatsnext**.

LIVING ON CAMPUS?

Apply early for on-campus residence!

Complete your residence application by visiting **CBU.ca/residence**.

Transferring to CBU?

Visit our Transfer Hub at **CBU.ca/transfer** for everything you need to know.

ROOTED IN CAPE BRETON

CONNECTED TO THE WORLD

Discover a place where lifelong bonds are formed, potential and hard work get noticed and a diverse learning environment helps a community thrive.

As a CBU graduate, you will join a powerful network of more than 40,000 members worldwide.

Alumni
Cape Breton University

CBU.ca/alumni

My time at CBU gave me the options and opportunities to truly explore my interests, which ultimately helped me discover the career path I was meant to follow. That flexibility and support allowed me to thrive both academically and personally, shaping the work I do today.

Brady Doucette
Bachelor of Arts in Science and Environment
Master of Education in Sustainability, Creativity and Innovation

EXPLORE CBU

Check out our 360° tours to get a glimpse into our academic and campus life and discover some of our favourite spots on Cape Breton Island.

CBU.ca/tour

OUR HISTORY

Cape Breton University (CBU) is a young, dynamic institution with deep roots, cultural heritage and resilient spirit located in the heart of Unama'ki/Cape Breton.

Shaped by the Island's legacy of immigration, cultural exchange and social progress, CBU reflects the true values of the land it calls home. Today, we carry that legacy forward through programs grounded in community research, experiential learning and real-world impact.

In 2024, CBU proudly celebrated its 50th anniversary as an independent, degree-granting university, marking a milestone year of reflection, community-driven events and forward-thinking initiatives honouring our past, present and future.

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