



## UVic Discovery Café

### UVic Alumni Participant Information

The UVic Discovery Café is being delivered by the UVic Alumni Association through the UVic Alumni Relations department. The program is available for all UVic alumni, students and new grads (up to 2 years after graduation). UVic Discovery Café questions can be directed to Linda Nicoll, Manager, Student and Alumni Programs, UVic Alumni Relations.

**STEP 1:** Register as a UVic Discovery Café – Alumni Mentor which includes submitting a 200-word bio.

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**STEP 2:** The UVic Alumni Relations office will review the alumni participant form. If an alumnus/alumna and student match is identified, the UVic Alumni Relations office will provide the alumnus/alumna with the names of the two students/new grad (up to 2 years after graduation) who are interested in meeting them over coffee, as well as provide their contact details, program, year of study and why they signed up for the UVic Discovery Café program.

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**STEP 3:** The students/new grad will be required to contact the alumni mentor by email to introduce themselves and make arrangements to meet face-to-face at the identified date and time or if the date and time was flexible, agree by email to a date and time that works for everyone.

At the meet-up, the alumnus/alumna will share information about their career path, how they got into their field and the relevance of their degree to their work, job, industry, sector and/or organization.

Participating does not mean alumni have all of the answers about a particular career area or industry. We only ask that you be willing to share your personal career experiences and knowledge with students/new grads and answer questions about your job, industry, sector and/or organization to the best of your ability.

The alumni mentor will choose a venue for the meeting (in the Greater Victoria area on or near campus) so that students can travel easily.

The alumni mentor will pick up the cost of coffee, tea or a non-alcoholic beverage of choice for the students/new grads.

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**STEP 4:** The alumni mentor will complete the [UVic Discovery Café - Alumni Evaluation Form](#), following the alumni and student meet-up.

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#### **STEP 5: Cancellations**

Once you have been chosen to participate in the UVic Discovery Café program, you are required to show up. If you have to cancel due to unforeseeable and legitimate circumstances, you must notify the students/new grad and the UVic Alumni Relations office 24 hours before the scheduled date and time.

To notify the UVic Alumni Relations office, please contact Linda Nicoll, Student and Alumni Programs, UVic Alumni Relations at [lnicoll@uvic.ca](mailto:lnicoll@uvic.ca)

**In the email, please give your first and last name, the date and time of your UVic Discovery Café meeting and the name of the students/new grad that you were selected to meet.**

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**Ready to sign-up?** [Register for a UVic Discovery Café - Alumni Mentor](#)