



## Message from the President



Welcome to the University of Alberta. Welcome to the world!

Our goal at the University of Alberta is to create an outstanding experience for you, our students. A big part of that is preparing you to meet the demands of the world. Addressing the most pressing global concerns of our time will require international and interdisciplinary collaboration.

How do we foster this international outlook? First, we provide a learning environment where you can study “the big picture.” We offer students a wide array of degrees, programs, and courses, taught by experts in their fields, providing you with multiple opportunities to discover and explore the rich complexity of our world.

Second, we have opportunities that will send you out into the world. You can spend a summer, term, or a year studying, working, or researching overseas while earning credit towards your U of A degree. Take a course at the University of Ghana and see first-hand the challenges of delivering to rural education in Africa, or spend a summer in Germany with a mentor at a top research institution. Our goal is to provide international experience to as many students as possible.

We also bring the world to you. The University of Alberta is proud to be home to students from over 130 countries. At International House you can share in an international potluck dinner with your floormates, learn a new language, explore cultural customs and traditions, and enjoy casual conversations with world leaders. During events such as International Week, you’ll hear from speakers on world issues like poverty and hunger, sustainability and human rights

And finally, we foster an international outlook by providing an unbeatable hands-on research experience. There are great opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to conduct research in state-of-the-art facilities with world-renowned professors. You could be part of an international team working to perfect the Edmonton Protocol—a way to cure Type 1 diabetes. Or you could travel to Iceland to study hot spring and geyser deposits and look at mineral transformations over time. International research collaboration is revolutionizing the world as we know it and you can be a part of it.

The world is a dynamic place. Complicated, challenging, ever-changing. Our job at the University of Alberta is to prepare you for the world. Your job is to expand your borders.

**Indira V Samarasekera, O.C.**

President and Vice-Chancellor

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