



# Registering for Your Option

# Session Objectives

- To outline the basis for selecting an option
- To review the process for registering for your option
- To clarify the various program options and alternatives available in Years 3 and 4
- To briefly outline the resources which may help you to choose an option

Sauder Website where you can find presentation:

**myBCom > Courses, Money & Enrolment > Options > Registering for your option**

# What is an Option?



- A BCom option is a specialization in a subject area of business made up of a total of 12 to 15 credits – it is not considered a major
- Students begin their option in Year 3 of the program
- Select an option that best suits your interests and goals
- Students in the Combined Major in Business and Computer Science (BUCS) program do not choose an option because they are already in a combined major

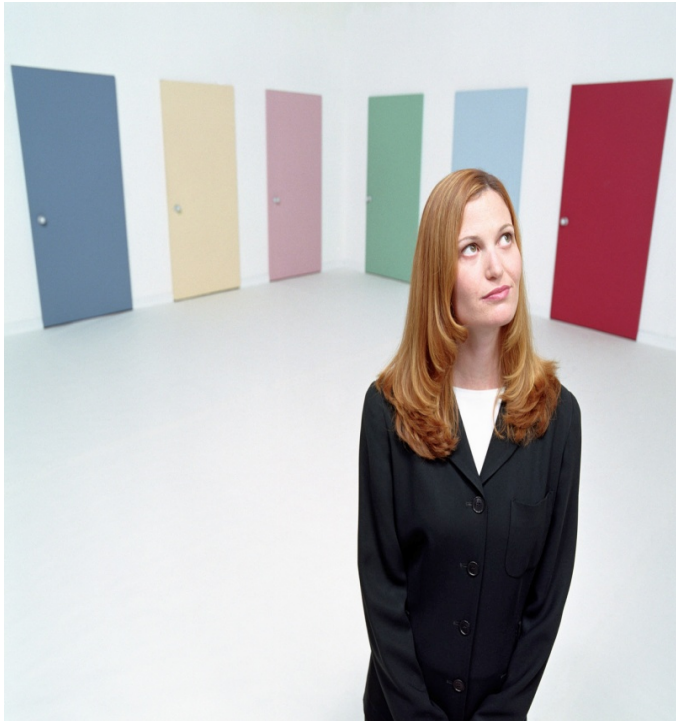
## How important is your option?

“In looking at today’s business environment, there is a common thread that runs throughout multiple industries: an individual’s ability to earn a degree often far outweighs what he or she majored in while at school.”

Markowitz, Troy. (2017, Sep 26). **“Constructing The Bridge Between College Majors And The Workforce.”**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/troymarkowitz/2017/09/26/constructing-the-bridge-between-college-majors-and-the-workforce/#4feaca5a5d82>. Accessed October 2018.

# Options



## Choose from ten options

- Accounting
- Business Technology Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Finance
- General Business Management
- Global Supply Chain and Logistics Management  
Admission by application only - Due on December 6, 2019
- Operations and Logistics
- Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources Management
- Marketing
- Real Estate

International Business (IB)\*

\*IB is done together with one of the options above

## GPA Cutoffs for Options

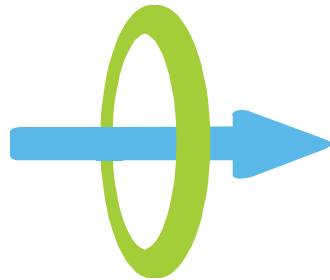


Sessional Average required in  
2019W to start option in 2020W

Accounting	68%
Finance	75%
All other options	No cutoff



## Year 2 Courses Required to Start an Option



Option	Year 1/2 courses needed
Accounting	C290, C291, C293, C294, C295
Business Technology Management	C205
Finance	C298
General Business Management	Depends on analysis courses selected
Global Supply Chain and Logistics Management	C290, C291; C204
Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources	C292; C203
Marketing	C293, C295, C296
Real Estate	C295, C298
Operations and Logistics	C290, C291, C296; C204

## Year 2 Prerequisites Required prior to 2020W Term 1

Competitive Options	Prerequisites required to be completed by 2020 Winter Session Term 1
Accounting	C290, C291, C293, C294, C295
Finance	C298



## Promotion from Year 2 to Year 3

- successful completion of **48 credits** including all Year 1 requirements
- successful completion of **at least four** of COMM 203, COMM 204, COMM 205, COMM 293, COMM 294, COMM 295, COMM 296, COMM 298
- overall sessional average of  $\geq 60\%$  on all courses attempted (required for continuation in the program)

# When and How Do I Register for My Option?

- Early June – Check your registration date and time on the Student Service Centre
- Year 3 registration – Starts the last week of June and remains open until second week of September for Term 1 courses



## On your registration date and time:

1. Choose an option/specialization
2. Register in the required option courses
3. Register in required Commerce core courses
4. Register for electives

# Registering for Courses

On your registration date and time



- 1) On SSC click on specialization and then "ADD SPEC".
  - 2) Register in the required Year 3 option courses  
e.g. For Accounting --  
**COMM 353** – Financial Accounting  
**COMM 354** – Cost Accounting
- You must be registered in two option courses to be officially in an option. Before starting the option you will need to have the prerequisites for the option courses completed.
  - To be promoted from Year 3 to Year 4 you need to have two option courses completed.



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Standard Timetables

Courses

Specializations

Campus: UBC Vancouver ▾

Session: 2014 Winter ▾

Specializations: List of the subjects offered at UBC Vancouver. Click on a subject code to drill down into the courses offered. You can then drill down into the offered sections of that course. Drag your mouse over each section to see how it would fit into your timetable (log in required). Drill down further to see details such as start and end dates, meeting times, location, instructor and seat summary.

\* indicates that there are currently no courses offered for this subject in the current session.

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Subject Code	Subject Title	Faculty / School
<a href="#">AANB</a>	Applied Animal Biology	Faculty of Land and Food Systems
<a href="#">ADHE</a>	Adult and Higher Education	Faculty of Education
<a href="#">AFST</a>	African Studies	Faculty of Arts
<a href="#">AGEC</a>	Agricultural Economics	Faculty of Land and Food Systems
<a href="#">ANAE</a>	Anesthesia	Faculty of Medicine
<a href="#">ANAT</a>	Anatomy	Faculty of Medicine
<a href="#">ANSC</a>	Animal Science	Faculty of Land and Food Systems
<a href="#">ANTH</a>	Anthropology	Faculty of Arts
<a href="#">APBI</a>	Applied Biology	Faculty of Land and Food Systems
<a href="#">APSC</a>	Applied Science	Faculty of Applied Science
<a href="#">ARBC</a>	Arabic Studies	Faculty of Arts
<a href="#">ARC</a>	Alternative Routes to Computing	Faculty of Science
<a href="#">ARCH</a>	Architecture	School of Arch and Landscape Arch



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**Specializations:** Here is a list of all of the programs with available specializations for the selected session. Click on the degree program to drill down into the subjects offered within the degree. You can then drill down into the specializations offered in that subject. If available, you can add/switch your specialization from this page (log in required).

All B C D E J L M P

#### Degree Program

#### Description

<a href="#">BA</a>	Bachelor of Arts
<a href="#">BASC</a>	Bachelor of Applied Science
<a href="#">BASMEN</a>	Combined BASC & MENG
<a href="#">BCOM</a>	Bachelor of Commerce
<a href="#">BCS</a>	Bachelor of Computer Science
<a href="#">BEDE</a>	Bachelor of Educ (Elementary)
<a href="#">BEDM</a>	Bachelor of Educ (Middle)
<a href="#">BEDS</a>	Bachelor of Educ (Sec)
<a href="#">BEND</a>	Bachelor of Environmental Des.
<a href="#">BFA</a>	Bachelor of Fine Arts
<a href="#">BHE</a>	Bachelor of Home Economics
<a href="#">BHK</a>	Bachelor of Human Kinetics
<a href="#">BKIN</a>	Bachelor of Kinesiology
<a href="#">BMUS</a>	Bachelor of Music



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Session: 2015 Win ▾

**Specializations for Program BCOM:**

All A B C E F G H I J K L M O P R S T V

Subject	Description
<a href="#">ACCO</a>	Accounting Co-op
<a href="#">ACCT</a>	Accounting
<a href="#">BTM</a>	Business Technology Mgmt
<a href="#">ENTR</a>	Entrepreneurship Commerce
<a href="#">FINC</a>	Finance
<a href="#">GMGT</a>	General Business Mgmt
<a href="#">GSCL</a>	Global Supply Chain & Log
<a href="#">MKTG</a>	Marketing
<a href="#">OBHR</a>	Org Behavior & HR
<a href="#">OPLG</a>	Operations and Logistics
<a href="#">REAL</a>	Real Estate

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# Option Waitlist



1. If you don't meet the cutoff for your first option choice (ACCT or FINC), register in the courses for your second option choice.
2. If you are within 3% of the cutoff average for your first option choice, you can add yourself to the Option Waitlist by mid July.
3. The Option Waitlist opens at the beginning of July. The link to the option waitlist can be found on the [myBCom Sauder website](#) under "Options."



## Option Waitlist (Continued)



Option admission from the waitlist will be reviewed in mid July. Factors considered are:

- Year 2 Winter Session average
- Average in Comm 29X courses taken in Years 1 and 2 and course prereqs for the option
- Space availability in option courses



If there is space to add you to your first choice, the UGO will notify you via email. You will be switched into your first option choice and added to the available seats in the required option courses.

# Program Alternatives in Years 3 and 4



- ➔ Co-op program
- ➔ Double option
- ➔ International Business
- ➔ A minor in a subject area outside of Commerce (e.g. Arts or Science)
- ➔ Exchange and/or Study Abroad
- ➔ **Concentrations**
  - Sustainability
  - Business Analytics (New in 2019W)
  - Law (New in 2019W)

# Co-op. Beyond Work Experience.

Co-op is a personal and professional development program that integrates classroom learning with a minimum of 3 four-month paid work terms



- All programs require a minimum academic average of 72% based on all post-secondary courses.
- Students can apply in 2<sup>nd</sup> year or 3<sup>rd</sup> year. If a student is not accepted in 2<sup>nd</sup> year, they can apply again in 3<sup>rd</sup> year.
- Application deadline is in September.
- The first work term is typically in the summer or fall following acceptance into the program. Students are required to participate in pre-employment workshops and conferences.
- Review Co-op Information on the [MyBCom Website](#) and attend an information session in late August or early September (posted under the "Workshops" section of COOL) .

# Benefits of doing Co-op

Being accepted into this competitive program will benefit you in many ways, including:

- Collaborating with the same Co-op Career Manager throughout your Co-op experience so you can form a long-term relationship with the same person who is passionate about helping you succeed.
- Graduating with 12 months of work experience which will help you with your post-graduation job.
- Gaining access to a pool of exclusive job opportunities.
- Having access to networking and professional development opportunities.
- Developing career competencies valued by employers and receiving guidance from the professionals you work with

## Double Options



You can register in one option only (other than the IB option).

You can complete courses in another option during your third and fourth year and count them as your electives.

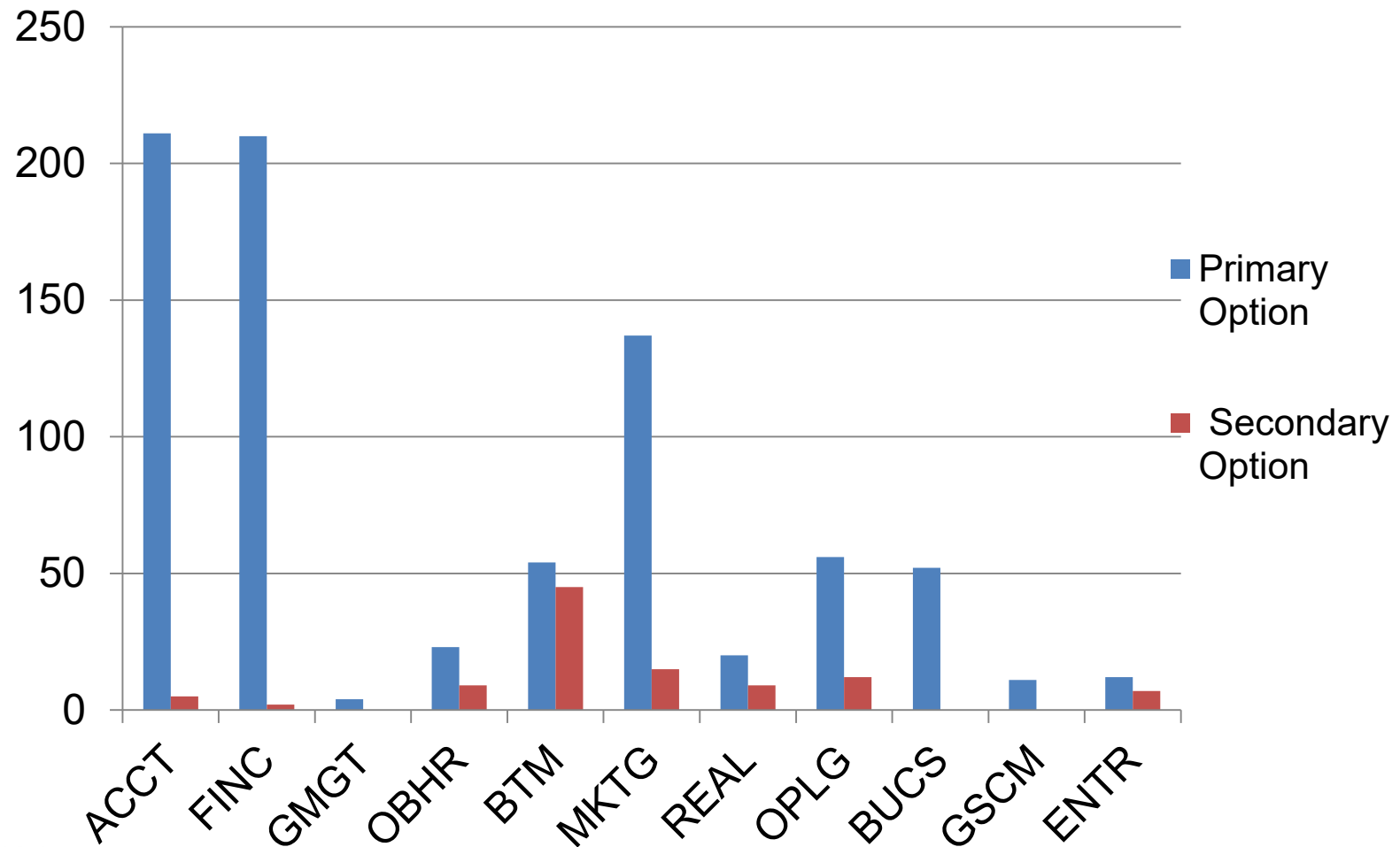
If by graduation, you have completed requirements for two options, you can request the UGO to record both options on your transcript.

## More on Double Options

<b>May 2019 GRADS</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Primary Option</b>	<b>791</b>
<b>Secondary Option</b>	<b>104</b>
<b>% with Double Option</b>	<b>13.1%</b>

- Seat availability in option courses is limited for students not in that option.
- Option Courses which typically have space for non-option students:
  - BTM, MKTG, OBHR, REAL, ENTR and OPLG courses have some space
  - ACCT courses have limited space
  - FINC has limited space in some option courses such as C370, C371 and maybe C374
  - Access to option courses for non-option students is sometimes only available starting in fourth year
- You may need to stay an extra term or year in order to complete all the courses for a second option

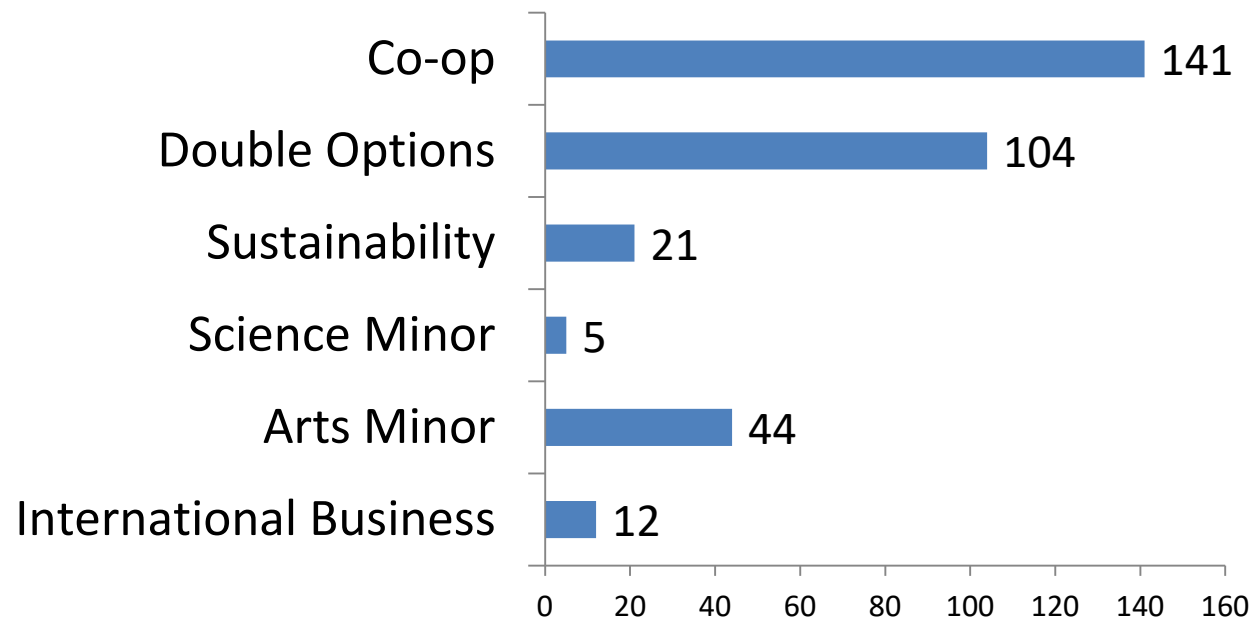
## May 2019 Grads by Option





## May 2019 Grads

Number of May 2019 Grads who completed Co-op, a Minor, Double option, Concentration, International Business



# FAQs



- Can I complete a double option and also do the International Business option or a minor?
- How do I choose my option if I'm going away on exchange in my third year?

# Choosing an Option



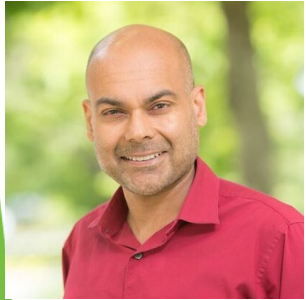
## More information about choosing an option

- Business Career Centre (BCC)
- Upcoming info sessions run through the BCC and UGO
- Undergraduate Office (UGO)
- Third and fourth year BCom students
- Option Clubs
- Family and friends

# UBC Sauder Business Career Centre

Robyn Godard- Manager, BCom Careers  
Hari B. Varshney Business Career Centre  
November 2019





## Meet your: **BCom Careers Team**

- Provides 1:1 career coaching to support you further in your career journey
- Hosts drop-in from 12-2PM in CPA hall for your quick career questions
- Runs Mentorship, Workshops and Specialty Programs to enhance your knowledge
- Connects you with the business community



# Let us help you make the most of your time on campus!

## Here to help!

**Career Peer Advisors** are senior students trained by the Business Career Centre to help you with your career journey.

## They've been in your shoes

Get advice from peers based on their own personal experiences as students in the labour market.

## Get a unique perspective

Each peer has varying option choices, campus involvement and work experiences.

**Book now on COOL**



# Options Night



Tuesday November 12th, 2019  
5:30pm-8:30pm  
Henry Angus Building  
**Register on COOL**

Not sure which option to  
choose?

## Features:

Alumni  
Senior Students  
Faculty  
Option-specific clubs  
Co-op  
and more!

Ask your questions  
in an **informal setting**  
and make an  
**informed decision**  
about your option



# Career Research and Next Steps

[mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/chooseoption](http://mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/chooseoption)

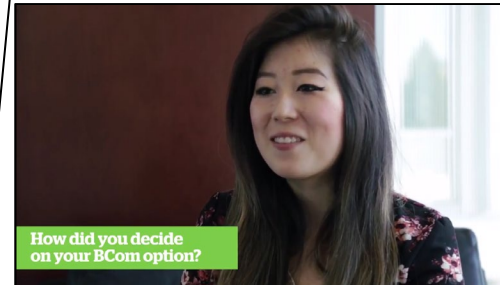


**Compare your BCom Options**

Quickly compare each option track side-by-side to help inform your decision making.

	General	International	Finance	Marketing	Human Resources	Operations	Information Systems	Health Services	Real Estate	Other
Program Description	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Length	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Focus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Structure	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Outcomes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Costs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Benefits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Requirements	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Opportunities	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Challenges	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Program Success	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Learn more about these options at [mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/chooseoption](http://mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/chooseoption)



Flowcharts | Option resources | Student Testimonials

# More questions about connecting your BCom Option to your career?

**Schedule a career coaching appointment with the Career Centre:**

- Find out where your BCom options can take you
- Decision-making support to help make a confident, informed option choice
- Suggestions of people to talk to

**Book your next appointment on COOL!**

# UGO Contact Information

**Undergraduate Office** Mon – Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm  
(except on Wednesdays when we are open until 3:30pm) in HA 165

**Drop in advising** Mon – Fri 10:00am to 11:30am  
1:30pm to 3:00pm

**Appointments** Mon – Fri 12:00pm to 1:30pm  
Call us to schedule

**Email** your questions to [bcomquestions@sauder.ubc.ca](mailto:bcomquestions@sauder.ubc.ca)

**Call** us at 604.822.8333

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