SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY



Facts about the University

OVERVIEW



Simon Fraser University is 40 years young this year. A list of activities, celebrations and a collection of colourful snapshots of SFU's growing years can be viewed on the web, http://www.sfu.ca/40th anniversary/.

When it opened on September 9, 1965, SFU was called the "instant university". It took just 30 months for SFU to grow from the idea stage into a campus with 2,500 students and a not-quite-completed, three-sided academic quadrangle with automobiles parked in the middle of it. Now SFU boosts an international reputation for excellence with three campuses and more than 25,000 students.

The University was named after explorer Simon Fraser and opened in September 1965. It has been rated as Canada's best comprehensive university five times (1993, '96, '97, '98 and '00) in the annual rankings of *Maclean's* magazine and has consistently placed at, or near, the top of the publication's national evaluations

The University has three campuses: the main Burnaby campus, the Harbour Centre campus in downtown Vancouver, and the Surrey campus. It is also home to the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue in downtown Vancouver. The replacement cost of SFU's buildings and contents is approximately \$1.5 billion.



BURNABY MOUNTAIN CAMPUS

Area: 430 acres (174 hectares)
Buildings: 2.8 million ft²(260,000 m²)
Elevation: 1200 feet (400 metres)

Distinctive architecture is an outstanding feature of the Burnaby Mountain campus, an interconnected complex of buildings based on the original design concept of Arthur Erickson and Geoffrey Massey. The campus, a half-hour drive from downtown Vancouver, offers magnificent views of Burrard Inlet and the Lower Mainland.

SFU is in the process of building a new community on approximately 65 hectares (160.62 acres) of land adjacent to the campus. The new community, called UniverCity (http://www.univercity.ca/), will include a wide range of housing choices along with new commercial, community, and recreational facilities. The Highlands Neighbourhood, the first phase of development, just east of campus, is now welcoming its first residents.

VANCOUVER CAMPUS

Buildings: 210,000 ft² (19,509 m²)

The Vancouver campus at Harbour Centre, opened in May 1989 in the historic Spencer Building at 515 West Hastings Street, and was financed largely by the private sector.

The Harbour Centre building currently serves more than 60,000 people annually: each semester approximately 1,800 undergraduates and 400 graduate students take credit courses, and thousands of individuals, groups and companies take advantage of mid-career education opportunities and public programs, or use the facility for community, corporate and other meetings.

In September 2000 the University opened the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue (http://www.sfu.ca/dialogue). The 1920 heritage building (3901 square metres/42,000



square feet), at 580 West Hastings Street, welcomes local, national and international meetings of government, business and community organizations. It offers a range of exceptional programming designed to use its unique meeting-in-the-round and conference facilities.

A generous donation from the Joseph Segal family has secured a heritage building at the corner of Granville and Pender as the site of the university's new Segal Graduate School of Business. The school formally opens in February 2006. A \$15-million fundraising campaign is currently underway to restore and renovate this distinguished building.

For email notification of free public events at the Vancouver campus, send an email to majordomo@sfu. ca. In the message section type: subscribe sfuhc-info. Do not type in the subject line.

SURREY CAMPUS

Area: 104,000 square feet (9,661 m²)

The SFU Surrey campus, http://www.surrey.sfu.ca/, is located at 2400 Central City, 13450-102 Avenue in Surrey. Currently, classes are held in a temporary facility in the Surrey Place Mall, while administrative and faculty offices are located in the nearby Central City tower.

SFU will open its new permanent Surrey campus in the fall of 2006. The new facility will be located at Central City, an award-winning architectural complex adjacent to the Surrey Central SkyTrain station. Bing Thom, who received an honorary degree from SFU in 2005, designed Central City.

Completed in 2003, the new facility has already won accolades both nationally and internationally. SFU currently occupies 32,000 square feet in Central City. The campus will grow to 322,000 square feet to support planned growth to 2,500 full-time equivalent students by 2010.

There are currently 1,100 undergraduate and 100 graduate students at SFU Surrey. The campus offers undergraduate programs in arts and social sciences, interactive arts and technology, computing science, science and business administration, a graduate program in interactive arts and technology, as well as continuing studies and education professional development programs.

The university also offers community outreach initiatives in the Fraser region, including non-credit courses, public lectures and summer camps for children.

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

Chancellor Brandt Louie confers degrees and represents the University on official occasions. The Board of Governors, chaired by Dr. Saida Rasul, comprises 15 members responsible for management of property, University finances and appointment of senior officials and faculty. The President and Vice-Chancellor, and Chair of Senate, is Dr. Michael Stevenson, who is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the University. The Senate comprises more than 50 elected and appointed members, responsible for all academic matters including admission and program changes.

Visit the University administration website for more information: http://www.sfu.ca/administration.htm

Visit the Analytical Studies web site for more detailed statistical information: http://www.sfu.ca/analytical-studies

THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY (2004/05)

Faculty	759
Staff	1,416
Graduate students	3,190
Undergraduates	23,480
Degrees conferred (1965–03/04)	80,031

ALUMNI (1965-04/05)

Bachelor's	67,369
Master's	10,683
Doctorates	1,756
Honorary	223
Other credentials	
(certificates and diplomas)	13,235

FINANCIAL FACTS (2003/04)

	(in thousands of \$)
OPERATING INCOME	\$299,515
Government grants	\$166,893
Tuition fees	\$109,939
Investment	\$6,081
Miscellaneous income	\$16,602
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$289,508
Academic	\$162,576
Library	\$17,765
Student services	\$10,151
Scholarships/bursaries	\$15,968
Maintenance	\$12,619
Administration/general	\$70,411

Visit the Vice President Finance office online for more detailed budget information: http://www.sfu.ca/finance

Annual donations to the University were \$14,432,602 plus more than \$20,000,000 in outstanding pledges. These gifts were designated for projects and programs in Burnaby and at Harbour Centre, and scholarships and bursaries.



RESEARCH

The creation of a faculty of health sciences, the invention of the world's fastest bipolar transistor, and the investigation of the impact of technology on the nation's health sector. These are some of the exciting research developments at SFU. A distinguished tradition of scholarly research has been recognized with such prestigious honors as the Governor-General's, Grawemeyer, Guggenheim, Manning and Pulitzer awards, Canada Council Killam research fellowships, NSERC industrial chairs, and gold medals from the Science Council of BC.

In 2003/04 SFU faculty received \$53,574,852 in research grants and contracts, the majority won in open competition outside British Columbia.

SFU has filled 31 of 38 chairs allocated to the university under the Canada Research Chair program. Under the initiative, the federal government allocates funding to universities nationally to support the investigation, salary and infrastructure needs of researchers nominated by universities and approved by the program's chair selection committee. The aim of the chair program is to boost recruitment and retention of top-notch researchers in Canada. Universities are awarded \$200,000 annually for each senior chair and \$100,000 annually for each junior chair appointed.

Visit the Canada Research Chair website for more information about the program: www.chairs.gc.ca

Visit the Vice President Research office online for more information about research at SFU: http://www.sfu.ca/vpresearch

SPONSORED RESEARCH FUNDS (2003/04)

	(in thousands of \$)
Canadian government	\$32,150
BC government	\$6,496
Other government	\$1,108
Canadiann firms	\$3,337
Foundations	\$1,870
US & foreign sources	\$2,141
Total	\$45,057

UNIVERSITY/INDUSTRY LIAISON OFFICE (UILO)

The University/Industry Liaison Office (UILO) assists faculty, staff and students to establish ongoing working relationships with business and government partners in all areas of University research, to improve the transfer of knowledge and technology and develop successful commercial applications of University-based research. These strategic links generate new venture investment and long-term economic benefits for the University, BC and Canada. Since its creation in 1985, the UILO has completed 61 license agreements and assisted in the creation of 70 new companies (44 active) to commercialize the results of SFU research.

Visit the UILO online at http://www.sfu.ca/uilo/ for more information and a list of technology licensing opportunities.



JOINT RESEARCH FACILITIES

Includes: Bamfield Marine Station, Vancouver Island—a major centre for teaching and research in marine biology operated by SFU and four other universities; TRIUMF, a powerful cyclotron used in subatomic physics and chemistry research, operated by SFU and four other Canadian universities, and MITACS. The federally funded network centre of excellence brings together more than 200 researchers at 26 universities and 75 companies across Canada to address design and productivity problems in five key sectors of the economy. SFU is MITACS' headquarters.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

All Faculties offer graduate and undergraduate degrees. Below is a summary of selected programs. For a complete list, consult the official University calendar online at http://www.reg.sfu.ca/calendar.

Applied Sciences: communication, computing science, engineering science, kinesiology, publishing minor, resource and environmental management.

Arts and Social Sciences: archaeology, Asia-Canada, Canadian studies, cognitive science, community economic development, contemporary arts, criminology, economics, English, First Nations studies, French, geography, gerontology, Hellenic studies, history, humanities, integrated studies, labour studies, language training institute, liberal studies, linguistics, master of publishing, mathematics, philosophy, sociology and anthropology, Latin American studies, statistics, women's studies.

Business Administration: accounting, finance, international business, management information systems, management science, management and organization studies and marketing. (Also offers master's (MBA) degrees through full-time, part-time or weekend study.)

Education: curriculum and instruction, educational psychology, elementary school physical education, early childhood education, environmental education, learning disabilities, literacy instruction. Offers a bachelor of education (as a first or second degree), a teacher education program and graduate programs in all major disciplines.

Health Sciences: SFU's newest faculty, health sciences, plans to accept its inaugural Master of Science program's first students in September 2005. The faculty's research and teaching programs will bridge social and natural science research with a variety of health-related investigations spanning a number of disciplines. The areas of investigation include: social roots of disease; organization and social dynamics of clinical practice; factors that control health-related institutions; systems and policies; and population health outcomes. Under the guidance of SFU's Institute of Health Research and Education, health sciences is in the process of hiring new faculty.

Science: applied mathematics, actuarial science, biochemistry, biological science, chemical physics, chemistry, earth sciences, environmental science, environmental toxicology, general science, geography, management and systems science, mathematical physics, mathematics and computing science, mathematics, molecular biology, pest management, physics, quaternary studies, statistics.

Institutes and Research Centres: All Faculties are represented in more than 30 SFU institutes and research centres, which are of a specific and interdisciplinary nature.

Continuing Studies: for part-time, adult, off-campus and other students seeking to combine university work with other activities. Included are credit programs (Integrated Studies degree completion, certificate and diploma) at the Harbour Centre campus, day and evening; credit distance education programs; credit-free professional development and liberal studies programs which include short courses, workshops, lecture series, colloquia and conferences at both campuses; programs for the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue.

Co-operative Education: combines academic study with relevant full-time paid work to mix theory and practice, test career possibilities and earn income. More than 2,000 students in a variety of disciplines participate every year.



TUITION

SFU's tuition fees are comparable to other Canadian universities: \$4356.00 for two semesters (30 credit hours) of full-time undergraduate study (basic tuition fee of \$145.20 per credit hour; \$435.60 or \$478.0 per credit hour for international students).

Exceptions to this are courses at the 200 level and above offered by the faculty of business administration (domestic \$192.70; international \$526.10) and the schools of computing science (domestic \$152.50; international \$485.90) and engineering (domestic \$159.80; international \$493.80).

Other fees each semester are \$251.84 (includes \$98 for Universal Transit Pass), \$58.70 in student society activity fees, \$59.46 in athletic/recreation fees and a \$35.68 fee for student services.

Fees are subject to change.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The University spent a total of \$16.8 million on student financial assistance in the 2003/2004 fiscal year: \$11.8 million was funded from the operating fund and \$5.0 million was awarded to students from private and endowed bursaries, scholarships and awards.

In the 2002/03 fiscal year SFU students (graduates and undergraduates) also received \$44.5 million from provincial and federal loan grant programs.

Visit the Financial Assistance office online for more information: http://www.reg.sfu.ca/fa

SFU INTERNATIONAL



SFU International promotes the benefits of internationalization inside the University and serves as the portal to internationally-related information and services for individuals and organizations within and beyond the University. The unit is responsible for coordinating SFU's international

student recruitment and support, exchange programs, field schools, development projects, contract training and other international opportunities for students, faculty and staff. The unit also helps bring together the appropriate individuals and groups within the University with partners in Canada and abroad.

For more information see: http://www.sfu.ca/international/

ARCHIVES

Located in the Maggie Benston Student Services Centre, the University Archives house a growing collection of archival materials from SFU and private donors. Almost 1,500 metres of archival documents, photographs, and audio-visual materials serve the teaching, research, and administrative needs of SFU students and faculty. Collections relating to women's issues are attracting the attention of distinguished outside scholars.

Visit SFU's Archives online for more information: http://www.sfu.ca/archives



LIBRARIES

The SFU Library motto is 'Our Library is where YOU are'.

The library is located on all three SFU campuses, with Burnaby's WAC Bennett library being the largest. The Samuel and Frances Belzberg library at Harbour Centre and the SFU library at Surrey are branch libraries with a full range of services and speedy delivery of requested materials between Bennett, Belzberg and Surrey.

All three locations have reference librarians to assist students and faculty with their research needs. In addition to the print collections, the library provides access to many online information resources. With approximately 135 staff members, it is SFU's largest single administrative unit. More than \$7 million is spent annually to add to the library's collections, which include more than 1.4 million volumes, and 26,000 online and print journals.

Simon Fraser University faculty, students and staff can obtain a card to borrow material from most other Canadian university and BC University College libraries. Users have access to material in more than 10,000 North American libraries through interlibrary loans; more than 80 per cent of requests are sent directly to the supplying library, resulting in speedy turnaround. Distance education students can also access online requesting and mail delivery.

Visit SFU's Libraries online for more information: http://www.lib.sfu.ca

COMPUTING

SFU is committed to making computers an integral part of teaching, research and administration. In the distributed computing environment at SFU, an Ethernet-based Unix system allows access to Unix systems, Apple Macintosh and PC microcomputers and printers connected to the high-speed, campus-wide fibre optic network.

Sun infrastructure servers provide electronic mail and web services for 20,000 active users. In addition, a multi-processor SOI server is available for faculty research computing and one for instructional computing.

Academic computing services maintains microcomputer facilities for instructional and general purpose use: the WordStation (150 workstations); a student dropin facility (130 workstations) and classrooms (Apple, PC, and NeXT workstations); assignment labs (80 workstations); and graphics/image processing, 30 "bring your own computer" stations, and four computing labs at Harbour Centre (64 workstations).

The 7,500 computers on the campus network are linked to other educational institutions across the country through BCnet and to the Internet through CAnet.

Visit Computing online for more information: http://www.sfu.ca/acs



RESIDENCES AND CHILDCARE

The final tower of a new three building residence project opened in the Fall of 2005 at SFU's Burnaby campus, increasing the campus student residency rate by 727. In combination with other campus accomodation for single students and those with families, there is accomodation now for nearly 2,200 student residents on campus. The new building has a residence dining facility.

SFU presently offers 1800 living units available in 9 residences. Visit residences (http://students.sfu.ca/residences/) for more information.

Simon Fraser University is pleased to offer unique accommodations to visitors and groups who wish to stay at the Burnaby Mountain Campus. Year round hotel accommodation at the Simon Hotel is available to visitors — situated on the top floor of the residential tower, the view of the north shore mountains and surrounding city is spectacular.

During the summer months, from May to August, SFU Residence and Housing provides guest accommodation to travelers. Traditional dorm style accommodation, four bedroom townhouse units and a dining pavilion are available to groups, teams, visitors and conference attendees. A retreat-like atmosphere, the area makes for a memorable meeting, perhaps your next family reunion.

The SFU Childcare Society operates eleven childcare programs at the Burnaby campus for children ranging in age from three months to twelve years old. It is one of the largest campus-based childcare centres in Canada and has an international reputation for providing high quality childcare. The staff members are professionally trained early childhood educators and school age childcare providers. The society cares for the children of students, staff and faculty of Simon Fraser University and also many children from the broader community. The non-profit society is funded primarily through parent user fees.

Staff are professionally trained early childhood educators.

Full-time and part-time care is offered and most programs offer a hot lunch option. The school-age programs serve Sperling and Aubrey schools.

Visit SFU's Residences online for more information: http://students.sfu.ca/residences/

RECREATION SERVICES AND ATHLETICS

The Chancellor's Gymnasium Complex is a facility with multi-use options, offering a variety of aquatic, fitness, recreation and competitive opportunities. The Complex houses the East and West Gymnasiums, an Aquatic Centre, Piper's Gym Fitness Centre, The Bog (weight room), a combatives room, the Service Centre, the Equipment Counter, seven squash and racquetball courts and four locker rooms. Two locker rooms offer direct pool access. Another two are equipped with a sauna. SFU's Physiotherapy Clinic is also housed in the complex.

Recreation and Athletics also offers access to the following items not found within the complex: four tennis courts, an outdoor play court, l, a 400 mete running track, three grass fields and a multi-purpose field with lights.

Recreation Services include intramural programs, fitness classes/workshops, aquatic programs, non-credit instructional activity classes and clubs, which offer a wide diversity of opportunities to recreate and to be active your way everyday.

SFU Clan Athletics offers opportunities for student-athletes to compete in both Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) and the USA-based National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). SFU has 12 varsity sport teams, which involve almost 300 student-athletes. Football, basketball (M&W), volleyball (W) and wrestling (M&W) compete in the CIS, while soccer (M&W), golf (M), softball, swimming and diving (M&W), track and field (M&W) and wrestling (M) compete in the NAIA. The teams have established a strong tradition of university athletic excellence, having previously won the NAIA Sears' Cup five times (the cup is emblematic of university athletic program excellence). The women's basketball team secured its first CIS National Championship in its 2002 season.

For more information see: http://www.sfu.ca/athletics/



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