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President & Vice-Chancellor

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to Simon Fraser University and the Uggla Family Scholarship program. Congratulations on this wonderful achievement—and thank you for your passion, resilience and creativity.

You are now part of a unique group of individuals who will inspire and challenge each other as you build connections through your common experience and personal perspectives. Ensuring you and your fellow students have a transformative education means a great deal to me and to all of us at SFU.

We are inspired by and deeply grateful for the Uggla family’s profound vision and generosity. Their commitment is helping to change lives, advance society and enable SFU to continue its growth as a leading advocate of equity, diversity and inclusion.

You truly give us hope that a better world is possible. I am excited for all that awaits you on your journey at SFU and beyond, and know that you will accomplish many great things.

To success!

LANCE UGGLA

Education is a key foundation on which we build our futures. Removing barriers to higher learning is essential in creating an equitable society for all.

The aim of the Uggla Family Scholarship is to assist generations of talented students to realize their full potential by enabling them to take advantage of a combination of hard work, perseverance, dedication, smarts and tenacity.

As an Uggla Family Scholar, you will join a vibrant network of students, alumni, faculty and staff who will be available to guide you along your journey at SFU and beyond.

SFU’s Values and Commitment

SFU is committed to creating a diverse, equitable and inclusive community where all feel welcome, safe, accepted and appreciated in learning, teaching, research and work. We are privileged to do this work on the unceded Coast Salish Territory—the traditional territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

SFU’s Vision

SFU’s strategic vision is to be Canada’s leading engaged university—defined by a dynamic integration of innovative education, cutting-edge research, and far-reaching community engagement. Students are supported from the beginning of their academic journey through to graduation.
Here’s what 958 SFU first-year students had to say about their SFU experience:

The Uggla Family Scholarship Program

As an Uggla Family Scholar, you are a future leader who demonstrates a high level of academic excellence. We have designed the Uggla Family Scholarship program to support you with your transition to university life.

Throughout your degree, the Uggla Family Scholarship program will focus on exploring the following themes:

- Transition and academic support
- Personal development
- Leadership
- Community

In your first term at SFU, you will move through the program with your fellow Uggla Family Scholars, participating in the following activities:

- Orientation and welcome events
- Time management workshop
- University study skills workshop
- Preparing for midterms
- Mid-semester wellness challenge
- Career services workshop
- Program-specific advising session
- Social events with your senior student mentor and other Uggla Family Scholars
- Learning about your personal health and wellness
- Preparing for final exams
- Celebrating the end of the term with a holiday party

Are you ready to make an impact?
Uggla Family Scholars will join a community from not only Simon Fraser University, but from around the world, and will benefit from a comprehensive suite of supportive programming throughout their time at SFU.

**FINANCES COVERED EACH TERM:**
Students must meet renewal criteria
- All tuitions and fees
- Textbooks and materials
- Co-op fees
- On-campus housing fees
- On-campus meal plan

In addition to financial support, Uggla Family Scholars will be welcomed to a supportive community and assisted through their transition to university life. Uggla Family Scholars will:

- Receive leadership programming, mentorship, and opportunities to experience personal growth and development.
- Be supported by a program manager as well as wellness, residence, student, academic and career advisors.
- Share in ongoing networking and engagement opportunities during their studies and as alumni.

**THE UGGGLA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS**

**MEET YOUR PROGRAM MANAGER**

**Bernard Ryu**
Bernard Ryu is your primary contact person for any questions you may have during your studies at SFU, and will also support you in navigating your career after graduation. Working closely with many other services across the university, Bernard can connect you with the people and resources to best help you on your journey here at SFU. You can reach out to Bernard anytime at sfuuws@sfu.ca.

There are also other opportunities for students in their second or third year of study to seek work experience through:
- Internships
- Co-op positions
- Internships
Thanks to the remarkable philanthropy of Lance Uggla and his family, SFU is able to provide the best programming, support and experience for our students. We would appreciate your partnership in sharing some of the positive impacts of this scholarship with our donors, who are passionate about making a difference by investing in SFU students.

As an Uggla Family Scholar, your program manager Bernard Ryu will work closely with you on various opportunities to engage with our dedicated supporters, including:

**Engagement events**
An annual event to welcome new Uggla Family Scholars will take place in the fall term, where you can learn more about the resources available to you and network with other Scholars across the university.

There will also be several events each year where we will invite you to join our donors and supporters. Your program manager will be sure to reach out with these dates well in advance so you can plan accordingly, especially for occasions where you will be expected to attend and represent SFU.

If you are unable to make any event, it is important to inform your program manager via email well before the day of the event.

**Updates**
Each year, all students will have the opportunity interact with Lance Uggla and other members of his family and Foundation team. You are encouraged to keep them updated on your progress at the university and the impact of the program on your studies. You are also welcome to discuss with them your professional aspirations and help you might need in advancing your career. If you need support on how to approach this, your program manager is available to help.

Your program manager may also reach out for other updates but you will be notified in advance if this is required.

**Marketing and promotion of SFU scholarships**
SFU is committed to attracting and recruiting the best and brightest minds from communities around the world. To attract a diverse pool of applicants, it is important for us to encourage students to apply. As a scholarship recipient, you may be asked to share your experience at recruitment events, or we may ask to use information related to your experience at SFU to promote the scholarship.

**Communication with your program manager**
Uggla Family Scholars should be in regular communication with their program manager, who may reach out with different requests related to your scholarship. Please ensure that you respond to all requests in a timely manner and within a 48-hour period.
The Uggla Family Scholarship program is designed to support scholars and deliver the best university experience at SFU. As an Uggla Family Scholar, you will be able to learn from and connect with peers, mentors and various professionals across the university. The types of support will range from weekly group workshops to individual consultations, and activities that will help nurture your individual academic, professional and personal goals.

**Individual check-ins**

You will meet with your program manager on a regular basis to discuss your goals. These meetings are the perfect time to explore ways we can customize your SFU experience and ensure that you get the most out of your degree.

**First year weekly meetings**

During your first fall and spring terms at SFU, you will be required to attend mandatory weekly meetings with fellow Uggla Family Scholars, your program manager and other university staff as you transition to life at SFU. These meetings will include useful resources and takeaways to support you in thriving and overcoming barriers in these important first terms at SFU—they’re also a great place for you to befriend your fellow Uggla Family Scholars and create bonds that will last for many years.

Uggla Family Scholars in their second, third and fourth years will also be invited periodically to join and provide guidance and support to new incoming Scholars, and to create connections between Uggla Family Scholarship cohorts. As an added bonus: your program manager may often bring snacks and treats to share during these weekly meetings!

**Monthly workshops in years 2, 3 and 4**

After your first year, we want to provide you with the flexibility and time to participate in the many other opportunities that SFU has to offer. As a result, Uggla Family Scholarship programming will be reduced to approximately once a month at that time. Each fall and spring term, you will receive a schedule of upcoming workshops and keynote speaker events, where you’ll be able to meet with fellow Uggla Family Scholars from different cohorts, network with notable alumni and industry professionals, and work on your personal and professional development.

**Mentorship opportunities**

Uggla Family Scholars in their third and fourth years will receive peer mentorship training on how to guide fellow first- and second-year Scholars. This is an opportunity for you to grow as a mentor and expand your SFU connections, as well as give back to the Uggla Family Scholarship community by supporting your peers in the early days of their SFU journey.

**Career and professional development**

SFU has a very robust suite of career services programming and professionals who are ready to support your professional development. Whether you are interested in co-op, summer internships, or broader career planning, SFU Career Services is here to help. You will be introduced to the Career Services staff through multiple workshops during your first year, and through individual appointments where you’ll build and strengthen your professional plan throughout your years at SFU.

**SFU Uggla Family Scholarship alumni community**

Once you’ve completed your studies, you will become a member of the Uggla Family Scholarship and greater SFU alumni communities. Your program manager will reach out with opportunities to return as an alumnus, including speaking engagements and networking events to support current Uggla Family Scholars. These events will give you a chance to meet other Uggla Family Scholarship alumni from both SFU and the LSE in the United Kingdom.
SFU Residence and Housing is located on the Burnaby campus. First-year students will live in an exciting and active community with access to contemporary amenities and peers who are also on their new university journey.

Each room is single occupancy only (i.e. no roommates), which means that you can enjoy complete privacy in your space. Everyone is also given a complete meal plan, so you won’t need to worry about cooking. Common areas such as washrooms, lounges and laundry rooms are shared spaces for all residents.

Students can learn more about their living spaces here: www.sfu.ca/students/residences.html

For students primarily studying at the Surrey campus, there are multiple bus routes to skytrains from Burnaby that can get you to your home campus in less than an hour. Scholars will have access to U-Pass, a universal transit pass across Metro Vancouver. Learn more about U-Pass at: www.sfu.ca/students/upass.html

Check out our video on how to get to SFU Residence and Housing. The video aims to help incoming residents with where to go and park during move-in, and where to go to check in. Here is the video link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=gIDd3j3soneg

All Ugla Family Scholars will live in SFU Residence and Housing on campus. Research has shown that compared to students who commute, those who live on campus in residence:

- Are more comfortable with the campus environment and more satisfied with their university experience.
- Show more rapid development of social and interpersonal skills.
- Experience greater personal growth and development.
- Have higher self-esteem, feel better about themselves and their accomplishments, and demonstrate more self-confidence.
- Develop greater understanding of different cultures and lifestyles, and learn how to break down cultural biases and stereotypes.
- Build stronger friendships, and experience a greater sense of community.
- Are more involved in campus extracurricular and volunteer activities.

Source: Four Critical Years, by Alexander W. Astin
**Athletics**
SFU is the only Canadian institution that is a part of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), Division II. The NCAA is the largest college-level sports association in the world. There are a total of 17 teams in the league, which includes soccer, basketball, volleyball, swimming and diving, golf, softball, cross country, track and field, wrestling and football.

**Recreation**
SFU offers access to recreation facilities and programs. At the Burnaby campus, students have access to an aquatic and fitness centre as well as a rock climbing wall, while the Surrey campus has partnered with the City of Surrey to give students access to the city’s fitness centres, pools and weight rooms. These centres offer a series of classes that SFU students can participate in, such as spin, meditation and the extremely popular bunny yoga.

**Food on Campus (Dining Hall)**
SFU is proud to be recognized as the first university in Canada to be awarded Fairtrade Gold status, the highest level of designation. SFU’s Dining Hall has an “all you care to eat” policy, which is covered by the Uggla Family Scholarship. The Dining Hall offers more than 50 food items daily, a variety that supports dietary and cultural needs. New dining commons are anticipated to open in fall 2022.

**Multifaith Centre**
The Multifaith Centre seeks to facilitate living one’s faith; support the spiritual well-being of students, staff and faculty; and increase the understanding of, and respect for, religious beliefs and practices across all three campuses. Over 1,500 students use the centre weekly, with countless community members joining them in various faith activities.

**Student Union Building**
The Student Union Building (SUB) is 100,000 square feet of space at the Burnaby campus reserved solely for students at SFU. The building, which opened its doors in 2021, was designed with the goal of enhancing the sense of community on campus and the student experience. The SUB includes the following areas:

- **Club Centre** - resource room for student groups on campus
- **Gamers Lounge** - room equipped with digital displays, gaming consoles and power / data for individual gaming
- **Community Kitchen** - a place to cook with friends
- **Napping Room** - an acoustically treated room for a quiet environment with soft seating
- **Rehearsal Booths** - acoustically treated rooms for music rehearsals
- **Social Stage** - lounge which includes a stage and DJ booth for organized student events such as karaoke, live music or other club and student society events

Students can learn more about the features of the SUB here: [www.sfss.ca/sub/whats-in-the-sub/](http://www.sfss.ca/sub/whats-in-the-sub/)