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BULLETIN - MARCH 12, 2021
from SFU Student Services

A weekly update for undergraduate students

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PLANNING FOR THE FALL TERM

On March 8, BC’s Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry, advised all public colleges, institutes, and universities to prepare for a full return to on-campus education this September. Read the message from the vice president academic.

ELECTIVE GRADE SYSTEM INFORMATION SESSIONS

Interested in finding out how the new Elective Grade System (P/CR/NC) impacts your courses for this Spring term? Join an Academic Advisor online for an hour-long online information session. Learn your options and make an informed decision. More information and registration.

SPRING EXAMS

The Spring term final exam schedule is online; log into goSFU to view your schedule. For FAQs visit Spring exam scheduling at Student support and resources. Questions? Contact us via phone at 778.782.6930, email reginfo@sfu.ca.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS
Daylight Saving Time starts Sunday morning in BC. At 2:00am Sunday change any clocks that don’t change automatically to show 3:00am. BC is scheduled to return to Standard Time in November.

**SUMMER 2021 ENROLLMENT**

The enrollment period for Summer 2021 courses has begun. Please review your goSFU account in advance in case there are any outstanding fees, which would block your enrollment. See our Fees and Tuition website for how to pay with Internet banking.

**WHICH SUMMER COURSES REQUIRE YOU TO BE HERE?**

Some courses (labs, practicums, etc.) require you to attend in person -- see the list of Summer courses with in-person components.

**U-PASS BC**

The U-Pass BC website is still unavailable. The March U-Pass BC will be automatically loaded onto Compass Cards for students who used their February U-Pass BC. For those who didn’t use it in February but want the March pass, visit the SFU U-Pass website for detailed instructions. The 2021 Summer U-Pass BC exemption application will be available online on March 29 at 9:00am PT.

**TRAVELLING TO CANADA**

New travel, testing, and quarantine measures for travellers entering Canada are now in effect. If you are planning to travel or return to Canada, please register your travel plans with SFU as early as possible so that we can support you before and after arrival. You may also refer to our Immigration and Travel FAQ for information on current travel restrictions and measures.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
ENROLL NOW IN FASS FORWARD MICROCREDIT COURSES

FASS Forward one-unit courses are back for Summer 2021 (May 18-June 18). These small classes focus on skill building practice and self-reflection. More information. Enroll through goSFU.

SFU BOOKSTORE SALE

You can order online from the SFU Bookstore. Right now all general books are 30% off plus there’s a Spring Cleaning sale.

EMBARK SUSTAINABILITY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We want to hear your thoughts on how Embark has been doing this past year, and what you would like to see more of. Fill out our annual Member Survey by March 16 and you’ll be entered to win a $50 gift card from SPUD.ca.

LEARN AND EARN $1000 GRANT

If you are currently enrolled in a Spring course or program that has a ‘work integrated learning’ component, you may be eligible for a $1000 grant. Just apply for the online “Effective Intercultural Communication for WIL” professional development opportunity by March 19. If accepted, and you complete the PD opportunity, $1000 will be credited to your student account. Spots limited, apply now.

STUDY HALL AND SUPPORT

Feeling isolated working alone? Study Hall @Home will provide you with a dedicated time and space to work in a supported environment alongside other students. Peer tutors will be on hand to provide academic support. More information and registration.

WHAT’S YOUR HOUSING REALITY?

The SFSS and UTILE are asking you to fill out this survey (less than 10 minutes!) to better understand the housing issues affecting students. Providing personal information is optional and all responses are anonymized. Provide your email at the end of the survey if you wish to be entered into a prize draw for a
YOUR SFU ONLINE SECURITY

MFA (Multi-factor authentication) is one of your best defences against identify theft and other cyberattacks. You might already be using MFA for your social media or gaming activities, so why not for your academic account? Learn more and enroll.

RESEARCH IMPACT CANADA

SFU is now a member of Research Impact Canada (RIC), a pan-Canadian network of universities committed to maximizing the impact of academic research for the public good in local and global communities. Through our membership, the SFU research community has access to knowledge mobilization (KM) tools as well as collaboration and capacity building opportunities. More information.

TANDEM LANGUAGE EXCHANGE - SUMMER 2021

“Tandem” is a method of language learning that pairs up two people who want to learn each others’ languages. Learn French while teaching Spanish, or improve your English while helping someone improve their Mandarin. SFU Tandem will pair you with someone on campus while facilitating casual language learning and conversation sessions! Register today.

FEATURED WQB COURSES

- Did aliens build the pyramids—and are archaeologists keeping it a secret? Is Bigfoot one of our ancestors? Explore these topics and more in this new course ARCH 105: Archaeology and Pop Culture.
- A non-science student looking for an upper-division B-Sci elective? Enroll in MBB 302-3 Energy: From Cells to Society. From molecular machines to ecosystems, the capture and flow of energy defines life. Human use of fossil fuels is explored as a transformative evolutionary development.
WHAT'S NEW AND COMING SOON

PRINTEMPS DE LA FRANCOPHONIE: A FREE EVENT

All during March, the SFU's Office of Francophone and Francophile Affairs invites you to celebrate "La Francophonie" through 15 cultural, academic, and professional activities—free of charge. You speak "pas du tout" French? No problem! Join us for our series of English-friendly activities, such as Movie Times, a Rap virtual concert, and more. More information and registration. À bientôt!

NO-BAKE WORKSHOP

SFU Rec and SFSS are hosting an online no-bake workshop March 12 at 11:00am to promote healthy eating and quick recipes. Join us on Instagram Live!

MINDFUL MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP SERIES

Expert speakers are presenting six weekly workshops on goal achievement, career development, investing, confidence, mental health, and more! Starting March 13. RSVP here. Through SFU LYFE and SFSS.

VIRTUAL NATO FIELD SCHOOL

This year’s virtual NATO field school will prepare you for a career in various national and international defence, security, and foreign policy sectors. Apply by March 15. More information.

NURTURING OUR ROOTS: AN EXPRESSIVE ARTS & ZINE WORKSHOP

The SFSS Women’s Centre and arts therapist Heather Prost are excited to offer Nurturing Our Roots: An Expressive Arts & Zine Workshop on March 15. More Information.

OTONIYA OKOT BITEK IN CONVERSATION
Jack and Doris Shadbolt Fellow and poet Dr. Otoniya Okot Bitek will discuss language, literature, and translation with African-born poets Professor Wangui wa Goro and Shazia Hafiz Ramji in a free webinar on March 17. Register by March 16 at 5:00pm. More information and registration.

THE CARIBBEAN SEA IN CANADA

Join the Department of Sociology & Anthropology and speaker Dr. Rinaldo Walcott of the University of Toronto for Part 2 of our 2021 Spring Colloquium Series: The Caribbean Sea in Canada: Notes on Tributaries. This virtual event will take place on March 16. More information and registration.

HOSTING INCLUSIVE EVENTS WORKSHOP

Learn more about disability awareness and hosting inclusive events! March 17. RSVP here. Through SFSS Events and SFPIRG.

TRAITOR OR GUIDE?

Is the translator a traitor (traduttore, traditore), as the old Italian adage states? Or is the translator a true “guide” as the Latin etymology of the word suggests? Join the World Languages and Literatures Department on March 18 and discover what renowned literary translator Anna Rusconi has to say about translating works by Alice Munro, Yann Martel, Haruki Murakami, and Anosh Irani, among others. More information and registration.

WHERE CAN MY DEGREE TAKE ME?

Does your future feel foggy? Join SFU Career Educators for a free workshop that will lend you new perspectives on your future and help you identify industries, organizations and careers that might be a good fit. March 18. More information and registration.

DEMOCRATIC BACKSLIDING: CAUSES FOR CONCERN IN THE US

The Department of Political Science is hosting a roundtable discussion and Q & A on the recent developments in the United States and what they suggest about the health of the U.S. democracy. March
19. More information and registration (deadline 5:00pm March 18).

THE GREEN COLLAR PODCAST

Curious about careers related to environment, sustainability and social justice? Listen to FENV’s new weekly podcast featuring career conversations with SFU Environment Alumni. Available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, or wherever you get your podcasts.

After recurring notices appear in the Bulletin several times they may be moved to the Bulletin home page which also features an archive of previous Bulletin issues.

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

JOB SEARCH SUCCESS WORKSHOP ONLINE

Receive expert feedback on your cover letter and résumé, and engage in activities relevant in today’s diverse workplace. Job Search Success costs $20; non-refundable after course start date. Deadline to register is March 14.

SUSTAINABILITY CAREER NIGHT: RESILIENT FUTURES

On March 18 join Embark Sustainability Society for a sustainability-themed career night showcasing the stories of outstanding professionals working on creating a more just, sustainable and resilient world. More information and registration. More information and registration.

CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS

- Support newcomers with their search for volunteer experiences while furthering your storytelling skills! Volunteer as a Facilitator for the March 19 DIVERSEcity Virtual Volunteer
Storytelling skills: Volunteer as a Facilitator for the March 19 DIVERSEcity Virtual Volunteer Fair. Develop your communication and storytelling abilities, while working under the mentorship of nonprofit staff at DIVERSEcity. More information. Deadline to apply is March 14.

- SFU Public Square’s peer ambassadors are looking for volunteers to help facilitate and take notes at their event Zooming In: Education in 2021 on March 31. Each volunteer will receive a $50 honorarium. Apply today on MyInvolvement (ID: 5414).

- Would you like to enhance your leadership and communication skills? We are recruiting volunteer Career Peers to join our advising team of like-minded students who learn and give back in a fun and supportive virtual environment. Make a difference in the lives of SFU students who are looking for work and volunteer opportunities. More information. Deadline March 22.

- Develop skills. Make connections. Build community. Peer Education is about students supporting students and building each other’s individual and collective capacity. For more information and to apply, go to MyInvolvement and search for opportunity ID: 5424. Deadline is March 22. More information.

- Promote global awareness, celebrate diversity, and foster intercultural understanding and engagement through educational initiatives and festivities as a Global Peer this fall. Currently recruiting for the 2021-2022 school year! For more information and to apply, go to MyInvolvement and search for opportunity ID: 5424. Deadline is March 22.

- Join the Student Health Advisory Committee: We’re recruiting for SHAC until March 28. Find the posting on MyInvolvement under Job ID 5425.

ONGOING RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

Health & Counselling Services is still open. Student life is challenging. Health & Counselling Services is still operating with most of our services provided virtually. Book an appointment today.

Global Cafe: Connected Globally & Adjusting Locally: Join the Global Peers and Health and Counseling March 18 for a live Q&A session on adjusting to student life online. Get casual chat tips for online learning
from fellow students.

**LGBTQ+ Radical Self Care Groups:** Taking into consideration some of the world’s current events, how can we channel our grief and anger into community impact, while also being sustainable with ourselves? Join the discussion at [LGBTQ+ Radical Self-Care Group](#)’s second session on **March 24**.

**Progressive Muscle Relaxation Group:** When you feel anxious or stressed, one of the ways your body responds is with muscle tension. [Progressive muscle relaxation](#) is a relaxation technique that teaches you to recognize that tension and relieve it. Drop-in sessions, no registration required.

**Mindfulness Meditation:** Did you know that meditation helps to relieve stress and anxiety? Explore these benefits at [Mindfulness Meditation](#) every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:30 to 1:00pm.

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**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**Study permit / passport expiry:** Please check the expiry date of your study permit as study permits often expire at the end of March. If you are in Canada you will need to apply for a study permit extension before your permit expires in order to remain in Canada legally and to avoid interruptions in your studies. [More information](#).

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**CONNECTING WITH STUDENT SERVICES**

**Your tax forms:** T2202 and T4A forms are now available on goSFU. Visit the [T4A page](#) or [T2202 page](#) for further information. If you have any questions, email [staccts@sfu.ca](mailto:staccts@sfu.ca). Are you a student employed at SFU? Contact [payroll@sfu.ca](mailto:payroll@sfu.ca) for your T4.

**Registrar & Information Services:** Our offices have temporarily discontinued in-person services on all three campuses until further notice. However, our staff are still available to help during [remote office hours](#) to support you via phone and email.
FOR ON-GOING ACTIVITIES, RESOURCES AND MORE

We can't always fit everything in the Bulletin email, so check out our Bulletin page for even more info and advice.