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**BULLETIN - MAY 6, 2021**
from SFU Student Services

*A weekly update for undergraduate students*

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**KEY UPDATES**

**U-PASS BC EXEMPTION APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 18**

The 2021 Summer U-Pass BC exemption application is available online—deadline to apply is **May 18** at 4:30pm PT. You can request your May U-Pass BC at upassbc.translink.ca.

**SUMMER ORIENTATION**

Are you a new student coming straight from high school? Transferring from another post-secondary institution? An international student? We have a whole suite of orientation activities for you on **May 11**. More information and registration.

**WHICH SUMMER COURSES ARE IN-PERSON?**

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

**DEADLINE TO PAY TUITION AND FEES**

See our Fees and Tuition website for how to pay with Internet banking. Deadline to pay is **May 26**. See Deadlines for more information.
SUMMER TERM PAYMENT PLAN

The Summer Payment Plan is now available. See the Payment Plan web page for details.

PROTECT YOURSELF WITH MFA (MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION)

MFA 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.

ACADEMIC STANDING

If you are concerned about your Academic Standing, our experienced Academic Advisors can help you reflect on your academic journey and develop a road map for your future academic success. This session is for all undergraduate students whether you are declared, undeclared, domestic, or from international pathways. Sign up for a session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP WELCOME NEW STUDENTS TO SFU!

We’re looking for HIVE Leaders from all faculties to facilitate social and orientation activities this fall. Not only will you help new students, you’ll develop your leadership, problem-solving, and event planning skills, and receive an honorarium for your time! Deadline to apply is May 14 with formal training throughout July. Apply today on myInvolvement.

ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH
In honour of Asian Heritage Month and in light of an increase in anti-Asian hate and violence during COVID-19, we’re inviting self-identified Asian members of the SFU community to share thoughts on what Asian Heritage Month means to them, all throughout the month of May. Read the reflections or submit one of your own.

**DISCOVER A GLOBAL EDUCATION**

Develop skills, expand perspective, create connections. Exchange applications now open for the Fall 2021 (virtual exchange) and Spring 2022 (some remaining spaces)! Check out Exchanges for destination, eligibility, and application information. Deadline: **May 31 at 11:59pm PT**. Or first attend the Exchange Info Session on **May 13** or How to Apply for Exchange Info Session **May 18**.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR SALISH SEA EXPLORATIONS**

What does it mean to be an urban resident living on the edge of the Salish Sea? Enroll in the Semester by the Salish Sea - Explorations in Reciprocity and Care, and dive deep into the ecology, history and political realities of living in a coastal city. New deadline: **May 17**. More information.

**LIFE IN VANCOUVER GUIDE - SUMMER 2021**

Whether you are in your home country or in Canada, sign up for the “Life in Vancouver Guide“ asynchronous Canvas course and meet new people and explore the world of Vancouver living! More information and registration.

**CAMPUS WEBCAMS**

IT Services has a new web site, and has added more live webcams for you to look at campus (and the weather).

**TRAVELLING TO CANADA**

As of February, 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 FAQs for information on current travel restrictions and measures.
WHAT'S NEW AND COMING SOON

GAMES NIGHT

Make new friends at our games night May 7. RSVP here. Through SFU LYFE and SFU Fair Trade.

BURNABY FESTIVAL OF LEARNING

Join, play, question, and explore virtual events at the Festival of Learning May 7 - 11. More information and registration.

SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS AND INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMY DAY

Meet our SFU scientists and chat about aerospace physiology, astrostatistics and the mysterious death of galaxies on May 8. Cap the event with our Starry Nights livestreaming event (weather-permitting). More information and registration.

PLASTICS, BASICALLY

Dr Steven Holdcroft will discuss recent breakthroughs in the world of plastics that can make revolutionary impacts on the global energy sector and climate change. President’s Faculty Lecture. May 11. More information and registration.

PODCASTING THE DRUG WAR

Mia Donovan (Dope is Death) in Conversation with Garth Mullins (Crackdown) on May 13. More information and registration.
WHERE CAN MY DEGREE TAKE ME?

Feeling foggy about life after grad? Join our Career Educators on May 15 for an interactive career workshop to help you gain more direction for your future and define your next steps. Part of workshop series for upcoming and recent grads. More info and registration.

CLIMATE SOLUTIONS FOR THE FEDERAL BAN ON SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Join us May 17 for the Charles Chang Institute for Entrepreneurship’s next design jam, bringing together students, professors and industry professionals alike to discuss what big shifts in thinking are necessary, and what you as an individual can do to help solve the problem! More information and registration.

RESEARCHING FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE

How do we ensure that equity is central to our approaches around climate solutions? Researching for Climate Justice will bring together activists, policy makers and solution-seekers to surface the challenges and opportunities of taking equity-informed approaches to climate research and policy development. Part of SFU Public Square’s 2021 Community Summit: Towards Equity. May 19. More information and registration.

LEADING THE WAY: WOMEN LEADERS IN POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

This international panel discussion will focus on the main theme of women leaders leading the way in the post-secondary education sector during a global pandemic, the challenges and opportunities encountered, and lessons learned. May 20. More information and registration. Registration deadline: May 18.

AI AND CRV CONFERENCE

Are you interested in expanding your knowledge in the fields of AI and computer vision? AI-CRV 2021 Conferences can help you achieve your career goals. Hosted by SFU’s Big Data Initiative, this set of two (online) conferences May 25-28 will bring together researchers from top institutions with leaders from industry and government. You’ll come away with knowledge of the latest AI and CRV research, development and education from Canadian and international researchers. Spaces are limited.
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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

CO-OP APPLICATION DEADLINE REMINDER

Looking for a co-op job for Spring 2022? Apply for the Co-op program today to get started on gaining the work experience you need. Plus any undergrad who applies before May 31 will be automatically entered into our “Apply to Co-op for FREE Draw” for a chance to have their application fee credited back to them! More information.

PAID VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT ASSISTANT POSITION

Are you detail orientated, able to meet tight deadlines, and enjoy talking to new people? Apply to be the new paid Volunteer Engagement Assistant with the @SFUSurrey - TD Community Engagement Centre! Deadline to apply: May 9 at 11:59pm. Learn more.

FUTURE: READY - CAREER DEVELOPMENT SERIES

Prepare for your future career! This workshop series will generate insights into yourself, inspire career options and make exciting decisions about future plans. Come to Future: Ready! Presented by FASS and SFU Career Services. May 17, May 31, and June 14. More information and registration.

HOW TO FIND A JOB DURING THE PANDEMIC
Job search workshop for upcoming and recent grads with practical tips for successfully adapting your work search. **May 18.** More information and registration.

**STRATEGIC WORK SEARCH**

Take control of your work search! Open to SFU Economics alumni, undergraduate, and graduate students. **May 20.** More information and registration.

**NAVIGATING YOUR FUTURE**

Calling all upcoming and recent grads! **Navigating Your Future** is a new three-part workshop series to support you with your next steps beyond SFU. Gain career direction, learn practical tips to help you get hired, and take some of the stress out of navigating this big transition. **May 15, 18 and 20.**

**JOB SEARCH SUCCESS (ONLINE)**

Receive expert feedback on your cover letter and resume, and engage in activities that are relevant in today’s diverse workplace. Think differently about your experiences and how your unique background can positively contribute to your job search. Cost: $20; non-refundable after course start date. More information and registration.

**EFFECTIVE INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION**

Want to be a culturally competent and sought-after professional in today’s globalized workforce? This free self-paced online course gives you the opportunity to integrate theory and practice of understanding and navigating cultural differences at school or in the workplace, have an increased awareness of how your cultural influences can affect your intercultural interactions, as well as understand the impacts of colonialism on Indigenous cultures in Canada. More information and registration. Starts **May 17.**

**INTERVIEWING 101**

Interviewing for a job requires a lot of preparation. If you’re adjusting to speaking English or adapting to Canadian culture you will find several helpful tips on how to succeed in a Canadian workplace interview. This Canvas resource is built with videos and infographics so there is not a lot of reading. The material
includes resources on what to do before- during- and after an interview and where you can get additional support on campus. The Canvas course is non-facilitated; use it as a resource hub. You can join at any point through the term and it’s open for you until the term ends. More information and registration. Starts May 17.

NEED MARKETING, EVENTS, AND VIDEO EDITING EXPERIENCE?

SFU LYFE is hiring for a marketing coordinator, two events coordinators, and a video editor. Apply by May 11. Learn more. Through SFU LYFE and SFSS.

CAREER PLANNING

Don't have a career plan? That's okay. Career Educators can help you make a plan and take action. We are still providing services online. Book today.

ONGOING RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

Centre for Accessible Learning: If you are a student with a mental health or physical disability and want to explore possible academic supports, please contact the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) as early as possible (caladmin@sfu.ca; 778-782-3112). For more information regarding registering at the CAL, please visit the Centre's website.

Health & Counselling Services is open. Student life is challenging. Health & Counselling Services is still operating with most of our services provided virtually. Book a medical appointment today or arrange to see a counsellor.

Creative Collective: Since it’s term break, why not try out something new? We have beginner-friendly art tutorial PDFs you can download and follow along with. Head over to Creative Collective.

Drop-in HCS Advising: Balancing all your priorities during these uncertain times can be difficult. Our Access Case Managers are here to ensure students seeking care feel validated, connected, and heard. More information.

COPE. Living through a pandemic has been overwhelming with lots of feelings of isolation, frustration, and loss. Register for COPE: a safe and supportive group to process and understand experiences of grief and pain.
through education, reflection, sharing, and art.

**Cultivating Self Compassion** is a support group for students who want to explore and develop self-compassion practices. Meet challenges with more kindness, care, and understanding towards yourself. There will be discussions, experiential exercises, meditation, and home practices. [More information.](#)

**Self-Isolation Support:** Do you need to [self-isolate](#)? SFU’s [CARES program](#) (COVID Assistance & Remote Engagement Support) can provide a safe environment while meeting all necessary guidelines and allowing you to feel part of our community. Our program includes options for accommodation and meals, if needed, as well as remote support if you already have your own self-isolation plans.

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**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**International and Newcomer Welcome Guides:** Congratulations on your admission to SFU! Not sure how to start your SFU journey as a new student from international pathways? Check the [Welcome Guides](#) for a step-by-step guide and a downloadable checklist.

**Medical Insurance Reminder:** Your international medical insurance with Guard.me@SFU is temporary and for your first term only. All qualified BC residents must apply for the BC Medical Services Plan. Ensure you have an adequate medical insurance coverage. [More information.](#)

**Study Permit Processing Times:** As per the latest update from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), students outside Canada who submit a complete study permit application by May 15, 2021 will receive a decision on their application by August 6, 2021. [More information.](#)

**COVID-19 FAQ for International Students:** Visit the [international student FAQS](#) for updates and information regarding immigration (e.g., study/work permits, visas, travel insurance) and medical insurance for newly admitted students.

**International Student Advisors** are working remotely and can answer questions related to immigration (study/work permits, visa, travel restrictions, etc.) or medical insurance. Visit our [Connect with Us](#) page to see more information on how to connect with an advisor.

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**CONNECTING WITH STUDENT SERVICES**
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 Live Help, phone, and email.

Undergraduate dates and deadlines: For a list of Spring and Summer term deadlines related to adding and dropping classes, etc., please visit Deadlines.

Do you have your SFU ID? Obtaining your SFU student ID is easy. Fill out the online form and we'll mail your card to the address you've provided in goSFU. (Please check that you have the correct address listed.)

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.

Connect with Student Services