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from SFU Student Services

A weekly update for undergraduate students

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 UPDATE: SFU COMMUNITY UPDATE

We are doing all we can to keep our campus and community safe. COVID-19 cases at post-secondary institutions in the lower mainland are significantly lower than among the general public. Getting vaccinated is still the most important thing we can do to protect ourselves and the community. As of November 12, of the 93 per cent of SFU students, faculty and staff who submitted their SFU vaccine declarations, more than 97 per cent reported that they were vaccinated.
ACADEMIC CONCESSIONS

As the term goes on, there may be times when you cannot attend class. We ask that if you are sick, then stay home. Likewise, you may experience some other unexpected circumstance, like an accident, loss of a loved one, or being healthy but in COVID-19 self-isolation/quarantine, which may require you to be absent for a short period. If you think you might have to miss classes or cannot complete your coursework, your first step is to speak to your instructor about getting an academic concession. Academic concessions are granted at the discretion of your instructor in circumstances that may impact your availability or ability to complete course-related activities. Instructor-granted concessions include things like deadline extensions, makeup exams, and alternate assignments. Learn more about academic concessions, when you might need to ask for a concession, and how to request one.

ENROLLING FOR THE SPRING TERM? CHECK THAT YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT IS IN GOOD STANDING

If you are enrolling for the Spring term, please check that your student account has no financial holds. If you are on a payment plan and have made all required payments, you are eligible to enrol. If you have an outstanding balance and are not on a payment plan, pay the balance in full to be eligible to enrol.
Questions? Contact student_accounts@sfu.ca.

SPRING TERM PAYMENT PLAN

You’ll be able to sign up for the Spring Payment Plan on December 13. The deadline to sign up for next term is January 21, 2022. Email student_accounts@sfu.ca if you have any questions. More info coming in December.

STUDENTCARE MEDICAL/DENTAL CLAIMS DEADLINE

Reminder to submit any outstanding claims for services incurred on or before August 31, 2021 for the 2020-2021 policy year by November 29. Learn more about Studentcare.

SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS AFFECTED BY FLOODS

Have you been impacted by the recent floods and landslides in British Columbia? The Office of Student Support, Rights & Responsibilities can provide guidance and supports to students. Email student support@sfu.ca to contact a Case Manager. Learn more.
UPDATES

JOIN THE CLIMATE ACTION STUDENT COLLABORATIVE

Interested in advocating for climate action at SFU? Curious about how to take action on climate change at the local and organizational level? Join the Climate Action Student Collaborative! SFU Sustainability and Embark Sustainability are excited to announce the third iteration of the sustainability leadership program for students. The deadline to apply is December 3, 2021.

SFU STUDENT-COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMPETITION

This is the final week to submit your idea. Deadline is Friday, November 26. Thank you to everyone who has already registered and shared their ideas. If you haven’t, ask yourself what change you would make in your community if you had $3,000 to work with. Your project might take home the prize! All you need to start the process is your name and a brief description of your idea. Register today.

U-PASS

You can request your November and December U-Pass BC at upassbc.translink.ca.

SFU HEALTH & COUNSELLING SEEKS STUDENT INPUT

SFU Health & Counselling is creating a guide to make navigating student support at SFU easier. This project is meant to help students better understand current processes for support services at SFU. Take the survey and share your input! Survey closes November 19. As always, you can join a support group, attend an event, or chat with one of Health & Counselling’s care providers for support. Learn more.

FOOD RESCUE - ON PAUSE!
Thank you to all of you who took the time to participate in our Food Rescue program this semester! Unfortunately, the weather is cooling down and we have decided to cancel the rest of our outdoor tabling sessions at Convo Mall. However, we will continue to stock the SFU Community Free Fridge at the 1000 level of the SFSS Student Union Building with produce from Food Rescue and Embark's Learning Gardens! More information about Embark Sustainability programming.

**WHAT'S NEW AND COMING SOON**

**CLIPS & CULTURE CHAT**

The Global Community Peers are holding an online Clips & Culture Chat event to gather people from different backgrounds to discuss topics around culture and identity. Join us on November 18 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. PST to watch clips, have fun chats about culture, play games, meet new people, and win prizes! [Event details](#).

**TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE**

Join SFSS Out on Campus online or in person on November 19 for this annual vigil to remember and honour lives lost to transphobic violence. [Register](#).

**CRITICAL INTERSECTIONS OF BLACKNESS AND GLOBAL SOLIDARITY**

Want to learn more about the intersection of Blackness, global solidarity and anti-imperialism at SFU and in Canada? Join SFU Students of African and Caribbean Descent and the SFU Institute for Diaspora Research & Engagement for an online discussion on November 20 at 3:00 p.m. [Register](#).

**EMBARK'S COMMUNITY KITCHEN - TOFU-RIFFIC JAPCHAE!**

Join Embark Sustainability in collaboration with SFSS Women’s Centre and SFU Health Peers in-person on
November 25th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for this month's Community Kitchen! We will gather at our suite in the SFSS Student Union Building to share space and talk about nutrition and culture. Click here for more information about the yummy Korean food we'll eat, safety precautions we're taking, and to RSVP (required).

BASKETBALL IS BACK! SFU PLAYS UBC SATURDAY NIGHT

Men’s basketball has two home games on Friday 7 p.m. vs Central Washington, and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. vs UBC. Free admission and parking in West Mall for SFU students and staff. More information at athletics.sfu.ca.

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Take a deep breath and clear your mind with us! Come by for a Mindfulness Meditation session on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday from 12:30 to 1 p.m. until December 10. Connect with your body, relax your mind, and discover tools for bringing more calm and ease into your life.

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BOOK BUDDIES

The SFU Surrey - TD Community Engagement Centre is hiring a paid Program and Volunteer Supervisor to support literacy programming in Surrey schools. Apply by November 28.

SPEND A DAY WITH ONE OF CANADA’S LEADING CEOS (APPLY TO CEOX1DAY PROGRAM)

Are you a 3rd- or 4th year student interested in meeting and learning from Canada’s leading CEOs? Apply for the CEOX1DAY Program by Thursday, November 25 for the opportunity to meet CEOs of organizations such as Shopify, RBC Royal Bank, and AGF Management. More information.
ACCESSIBILITY COORDINATOR

The SFSS is hiring an Accessibility Coordinator to work closely with both DNA and the Accessibility Committee to implement student projects, with help from the Accessibility Assistant. This is a full-time permanent position that pays $30.72/hour with benefits. Apply by November 26.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS PERMANENT RESIDENCE WORKSHOP

Interested in opportunities to stay in Canada after you graduate? Join federal and provincial government representatives November 30 for an information session about permanent residence options through Express Entry and the B.C. Provincial Nominee Program. You will also learn how the Post-Graduation Work Permit can help you gain skilled work experience in Canada after graduation, to better position you to qualify for permanent residence.

CONNECT WITH STUDENT SERVICES

REGISTRAR & INFORMATION SERVICES

To connect with us at any of our three campuses, please see our contact hours for our availability.

UNDERGRADUATE DATES AND DEADLINES

For a list of fall deadlines related to adding and dropping classes, etc., please visit Deadlines.
EVENTS AT SFU

For a list of events at SFU, please visit events.sfu.ca.

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.

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