Simon Fraser University’s Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences educates the thinkers and entrepreneurs of tomorrow.

CANADA’S ENGAGED UNIVERSITY

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Simon Fraser University’s **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS)** is the largest and most diverse faculty at SFU. Our students benefit from working closely with active research faculty members currently working in their fields. Our robust degree options bring flexibility and interdisciplinarity to your degree. FASS develops engaged and informed citizens who pursue careers that excite them.

**WHY ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES?**

1. Maclean’s University Rankings (2019)
3. Times Higher Education Ranking (2020) by subject area (5th in Canada in both “arts and humanities” and “social sciences”)

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- 23 Undergraduate Departments & Programs
- 1,200 Undergraduate Courses To Choose From
- 26 Certificate Programs
- 300 Co-op Placements Annually
- 67,932 Total FASS Alumni
- 95% Alumni Satisfied or Very Satisfied
- 42% Total SFU Alumni

Join FASS at the forefront of communication, collaboration and reconciliation as our world-class research faculty give you the skills to navigate the world of tomorrow.
PHILOSOPHY: EXPLORE THE FOUNDATIONS OF KNOWLEDGE

In SFU’s Department of Philosophy, students tackle deeply important human issues and learn how to think critically. Philosophy major Milad Doust experienced first-hand how highly valuable these skills are and how transferable they can be in any situation.

During his co-op placement at the Employment Standards Branch of the BC Ministry of Labour, his abilities in critical thinking were indispensable. His employer recognized this and Milad was offered a third co-op term or part-time position while finishing his studies.

“I felt like I was making a difference by helping employees get what they were entitled to and enforcing employment laws,” says Milad.

DELVE INTO PSYCHOLOGY, THE STUDY OF THE MIND

Thanks to SFU’s flexible interdisciplinary programming, Zaakirah Khan was able to pursue her childhood interests with a major in psychology and a minor in criminology. She raves about her experience at SFU: “I’ve made friends for a lifetime, and I couldn’t be happier.”
Payten Smith credits her diverse undergraduate experience for making her well-grounded and more confident.

A criminology honours student, Payten came to SFU on a full-ride athletic scholarship for wrestling. She won several provincial, national and international wrestling titles until a neck injury ended her career.

Eager to stay busy, she got involved in SFU’s Centre for Forensic Research and started participating in programs to get kids interested in STEM fields. She also regularly visits her high school to teach youth about forensic techniques in criminal investigations.

Payten continues to volunteer with the wrestling community and is considering a career in teaching or research in criminology.

SFU Criminology students have five exciting certificate options: criminology, legal studies, police studies, forensic studies, and correctional studies.
INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVES

Did you know that FASS is home to the 20-year old Department of Indigenous Studies [formerly First Nations Studies]? The department partners with Indigenous communities and individuals to restore and revitalize traditional knowledge, ancient and modern aesthetics and literatures.

INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AND SUCCESS

Pow-wow dancer, singer and regalia maker, Jakob Knudsen is an active and engaged student, volunteering with a number of Indigenous groups at SFU and in the community. He is completing a major in Indigenous studies with a minor in legal studies and is looking ahead to pursuing a master’s degree.

INTERNATIONALIZATION IN ACTION

The new Department of World Languages and Literatures is one of FASS’s many departments putting international connections, understanding and skills into action. By taking courses in this department, you will develop critical thinking and writing skills, while pursuing hands-on research opportunities and engage with communities around the world.

FASS is SFU’s oldest, largest and most diverse faculty and home to 30% of SFU’s faculty and students. FASS researchers and students explore topics as diverse as foreign policy, women’s writing, and sleep patterns in Vanuatu.

We build bridges from the academy to the community. We conduct respectful conversations that enable people to work together towards common goals.

Our work is interdisciplinary and we thrive in building connections that help our citizens stay informed and better understand the human experience.
Four departments, one unique degree: the multidisciplinary **social data analytics** minor integrates **economics, linguistics, philosophy** and **political science**. Students will analyze data and find solutions to real problems, preparing them for careers in government, business, healthcare and more.

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**ENGLISH: MINOR IN CREATIVE WRITING**

Do you want to write your own prose, poetry and drama? Would you like to engage with the artistic and intellectual currents of the literary world? Develop your own literary voice in conversation with some of the most prominent and influential literary figures working in Canada today.

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**MINOR IN SOCIAL DATA ANALYTICS**

**FASS RESEARCHER REVEALS THE GENDER GAP IN THE MEDIA**

Maite Taboada, a faculty member in SFU’s **Department of Linguistics**, aims to close the gender gap in media representation. As the lead researcher on the Gender Gap Tracker powered by SFU, she helped launch the tool to track the disparity between female and male voices quoted in major news platforms in Canada.

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**MINOR IN CREATIVE WRITING TAUGHT BY WORLD-CLASS ENGLISH FACULTY**

Celebrated novelist David Chariandy will be teaching in the new **Creative Writing** minor program, along with lauded poets Clint Burnham, Stephen Collis and many more.
Global Asia Program

students investigate topics across national borders and academic disciplines. Students learn to think and communicate critically and have the option to learn Chinese, Japanese or Punjabi. Graduates are prepared for a variety of global career options.

Global Asia Program

REVIVING INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES


MARIANNE IGNACE WINS GOVERNOR GENERAL’S INNOVATION AWARD

Many FASS faculty members are recognized beyond SFU. Marianne Ignace, Linguistics professor and director of the First Nations Languages Program, won the 2019 Governor General’s Innovation Award.

BUILDING COMMUNITY

Getting involved with the community is central to SFU. In addition to ongoing public contributions such as FASS’s many events, we have a robust support network for students. After transferring to SFU, sociology major Andrew Araneta became an integral part of this network. He was a FASS Mentor, connected with incoming first-year students and served as a member of the Sociology and Anthropology Student Union.
From mentorship programs to advising to first-year programs such as FASS One in Surrey, SFU’s Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences offers you many avenues to make the most out of your undergraduate experience.

We offer many ways to enhance and enrich your educational experience. Spend a couple of terms studying abroad, gain practical experience through co-op or join a field school—the possibilities are endless.

Learn more at sfu.ca/fass/undergraduate