Fall 2015 Undergraduate Student Survey:
Student Comments

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List of Sample Student Comments by Topic

The following is a list of 1,000 randomly selected comments provided in answer to the following question on the 2015 SFU Undergraduate Student Survey:

“If SFU could do one thing to improve your experience here, what would it be? (Please describe only the single most important thing.)”

The comments are separated by topic. In cases where a student discussed more than one topic, the comment is counted under the first topic addressed. Topics are listed in order based on the number of students who discussed them (with the exception of the “Other” and “No Suggestion” categories, which are listed at the end).

An analysis of these responses is available in Appendix C of the full report, available at: http://www.sfu.ca/irp/surveys/ugss.html

Student Life/Campus Community

- A better social campus experience.
- A larger emphasis on community and the sfu student body being more proud about belonging to this university
- activities
- add more campus activities
- Add more clubs to other campuses other than the main campus (Burnaby).
- Beedie School of Business should conduct more events in Segal and Surrey campuses, instead of focusing on Burnaby only.
- Better atmosphere.
- Better campus life and more centralization around the burnaby campus
- Better social life, bigger campus,
- Build a community, admit more sociable students.
- Build more of a community environment
- Building community on campus. I find everyone goes home right away who does not live on campus.
- Campus life and engagement
- Class interaction
- Community
- Community
- Community Engagement
- Community events
- community involvement
- create a bigger emphasis around sporting events i.e: football homecoming event
- Create a friendlier atmosphere.
- Create a more sense of community like UBC. Everything in SFU seems secluded and everybody only comes to campus for class and then goes home.
- Create a more social environment
- create more international students involvement and activities.
- Currently I only have classes that are located int he Surrey Campus. There are many clubs that pique my interest, however most of them are located in Burnaby. If there is a way to have a branch located in Surrey, that would be awesome for students that only go to surrey and do not want to commute to Burnaby just for a club meeting session.

1 Comments are reproduced exactly as written by students, except that profanities and references to individuals at SFU have been removed. Altered text is in [square brackets].
• During the middle of semester all the students are very stressed out with midterms, projects, papers, etc. I feel if there were more small events around the school they would cheer up the student.
• Encourage better student interaction. I find that it is difficult to meet and bond with fellow students outside the classroom. Beyond that, I find tuition and books to be overly expensive.
• Focus on making student led engagement, in the DSUs and with clubs, more well known and easier.
• Fostering greater campus community/connection
• Get every person more involved with the school
• Get involved in student clubs in my first year.
• Have more engagement & events for the students. We really lack in that department! I feel like there’s a [****] load of them in the first 2 weeks of the semester and then nothing.
• Have more engaging this for new students to do
• Have more events
• have more events happening at the surrey campus. I only go there exclusively (SIAT student) and feel like there isn’t any school events or spirit there compared to Burnaby.
• Have more fun events to make university life livelier.
• Have more inclusive events across all faculties
• Have more of the clubs at Surrey campus. For people who always take courses at Surrey, it is hard to attend the clubs at Burnaby campus
• Have more parties on campus
• Have more social events that are appealing to the students
• Have more variety in clubs
• Having a site with all the info on the welcoming week, club’s day, and fair week
• Help students feel like they belong. It gets lonely here for people who don’t have any friends and its hard to make friends since everyone is with their own circle.
• Hold events or activities in which pupil of the same majors can meet and interact.
• Host more non-academic events for the student body
• I guess more opportunities to meet friends. I think they have that sort of thing in first year, but what happens if you missed out on that in your first year?
• I think there should be activities organized by SFU that don't cost money.
• I would get more involved in the community.
• I would have been involved in clubs and DSUs earlier in my career. This would have helped me with home sickness, anxiety and just generally adjusting to life in a foreign country
• I would like to make more friends of different races in school.
• If SFU could to more fun. ”get together” type events like the first week of fall that would be awesome. It seems like people don't really interact on campus and when people have an excuse to get together, campus is much more welcoming.
• Improve campus community life - make it easier to make new friends, particularly for mature students.
• improve campus life
• Improve school spirit.
• Improve the social life for first year students.
• Increase direct support to students facing barriers to participating in campus activities (ie greater food and housing security programs, and access to public transportation)
• Increase participation in activities on campus, SFU promoting more events and providing clubs and students unions with more benefits, providing clubs and student unions with more incentive to organize more school-wide inclusive events.
• Increase school spirit
• Increase school spirit. More school events, also increase areas for seating/eating. Make it easier for students to get into classes without them being wait listed or closed.
• Increased social events/infrastructure.
• It would be to make a more social driven Campus. To eliminate the stigma of a "transit" school, and focus on building a strong campus life. This could be done by having easy accessibility for
clubs, and designated space. Encourage social hang out in residence. Allow clubs such as the SFU designated Sororities and Fraternities to have campus housing, as exampled by UBC, and eliminate stigma against such organizations (This is speaking from an non-biased point of view as I do not belong to such organizations). Changes in attitude towards social gathers (such as a "party"), while still maintaining the element of safety. This school has the potential to be a huge community driven university, from its location and its students, it could become massively social with some changes.

- It's harder to make friends and there aren't any social gatherings or parties. It'd seems to be more for people who are on sports teams or clubs. Maybe they are but I don't seem to get the info.
- Make campus more engaging. A lot of people commute and it's really hard to connect... Yes we can join clubs, but sometimes we just can't commit to that. I think you should really push frosh week and make it super cool, stuff like that!
- Make it easier to join clubs especially in Beedie instead of going through all the political crap. Hire better TA's who actually know what they are doing and can speak English without such a hard accent. Food needs to be more affordable at Burnaby campus.
- Make more connections with my fellow peers, since the student body seems to be very anti-social overall.
- make more events
- make more interesting clubs
- Make the campus a more fun environment. Host events or competitions that bring students together.
- Make the campus life equivalent to the campus life at ubc.
- Makes efforts to break down commuter culture where students come to classes and go home right after.
- Maybe more social events that collaborate more than one department. We have so many people that are up at SFU and if we are in our Major we don't get to full experience each department. A mixer or frosh for each department each year, 3rd year, 4th year and our course a celebrate for grads or new students!
- More a based community. It seems that this school has tried to focus itself towards building a community but it seems contrary to how hard it is to interact on campus.
- More activities
- more activities
- More activities.
- more announcements around the school telling students what's going on
- More applied science style clubs.
- More campus wide events/concerts
- More campus-based social activities to decrease the commuter feel of the school.
- More club variety
- More clubs
- More clubs and activities
- More clubs and events readily accessible to students.
- More clubs based in Surrey
- More clubs More studying spaces More resources for help
- More cohesiveness between faculties so students can interact with others outside of their fields of study.
- More community and belonging
- More community involvement with students of all faculties. Things like mixers, formals, trips, dances. Events for students to mingle!
- More development to school spirit...especially Surrey Campus.
- More diversified interactive student entertainment
- More engagement to students that don't know how to engage
- More engaging events
- More events
- more events
• more events
• More events for students who are not of legal drinking age. I found that I couldn't attend many social events because they were all 19+
• More events on campus
• More events on the first week of school to meet new people and gain more connections.
• More events that engage students in social interactions.
• More events to make school fun and more than just going to class and leaving. I travel 90 minutes each way and it would be nice that the travel time is worth it.
• More events which could help to bring SFU students together more. There are events going on within individual student unions but not for all students.
• More events!
• more inclusive events, less raves more information on required courses for majors/minors
• More influence over engagement, this school feels not as connected.
• More information about how to get involved and feel a part of the community
• More information on clubs or more events I. Especially at the downtown campus. More spirit days and chances to get involved in the sfu community
• More information regarding student events.
• More innovation/ sense of university community like UBC
• more interesting activities for free
• more involvement of students in events
• More involvement options OTHER than student clubs, more lively events throughout campus where students of NON-organization/student clubs can enjoy! ex. the puppy therapy was a good one, but if we can get a little more creative and do more events similar to it?
• More meet and greet events for International students
• More opportunities for student to feel engaged with the school/school spirit.
• More options to get involved in school activities, like watching sporting events (football games) and have things like a stadium to make people more interested in going to them. This would be nice because it would promote more school spirit and community and encourage people to spend time on campus.
• more school events
• More school events/more school spirit
• More school spirit
• More school spirit and a stadium
• More school spirit!!!!!!!!!!!!!! A more entertaining frosh week, more promotions for big sports games among other things would benefit school spirit.
• More school spirit, such that students are involved with athletics and have pride for SFU.
• More SFU events and parties.
• More social events
• More social events
• More social events
• More social events at sfu campus
• More social things to do around and off campus
• More socialization among students
• More socializing for first year students
• More Sporting activities for all. Sports Day etc
• More student community activities
• More student events
• More student events and school pride.
• Network more in my first year.
• Offer more clubs to meet new people!
• Offer more festivities and events to connect students
• Offer more student events and benefits for those who do not live on Burnaby campus residence
• Operate more activities in the surey campus.
- Organize more students activities like on campus parties at least once a month and more concerts not just the fall kick-off concert.
- Participant into different clubs in order to meet friends.
- Promote athletics. Put posters of athletes and athletic hype on campus.
- Promote more public and social events.
- Provide more events on campus.
- School atmosphere
- SFU could focus on community more, we don't have the same school spirit for sports teams etc that other schools seem to. I don't feel informed about our schools standing, or even what the SFU Senate does so why would I vote?
- SFU could improve on the school spirit aspect and have a stronger community.
- SFU has a great staff support system and resources available to students almost at any given time. However, I'd like to have more events going on at the school so you have a better chance to socialize and network with other students to improve your overall school year.
- Social Aspect/ School Comradery
- Social atmosphere
- Social events
- Social life
- There is no pride at SFU.
- Somehow create an environment that encourages students to create more if a community at SFU.
- Stronger social life (Student engagement)
- Student culture is lacking
- Student life more quiet places to study, hence not in the middle of AQ hallways, more designated rooms and corners. More study rooms in the library - better service, why are the buildings concrete? Not such hard classes/grading compared to other places to many things need to be improved to only name one
- Student life. The student culture at SFU is terrible. I often see events taking place at other universities across the county via social media and the only thing I feel is jealousy. SFU does not have any kind of activities such as a orientation week where students become excited about, or a homecoming weekend to look forward to.
- Team spirit - sports related
- The community seems very dry. I have tried to meet new people and talk to others but either everyone is very shy or they care not to converse with others and meet new people.
- The most important thing is to improve student life, and the facilities to be social. I found that there was a lack of places to meet my friends where we could stay for a while.
- The only problem is not something that can be fixed by SFU it is just a fact. The social aspect of the school lacks. A majority of the school population commutes to the school everyday and does not stay on residence so finding friends or friends that I have a lot in common with is tough. A majority of the people on residence I have met are fic students. There's nothing wrong with this as I have no problem with exchange students just it is a lot harder to find things in common with people from other countries than your own. There doesn't seem to be anything SFU can do about it, it's more just bad luck but it is the one thing that I haven't enjoyed about school so far.
- The social experience is lacking, not many events or social groups are placed in the Harbour Centre campus which is where I mostly have all my classes.
- There needs to be a bigger emphasis on social life. When compared to other post secondary institutions, SFU's social life ranks at the bottom. The clubs are so specific to things like race and major of study. There's no acceptance for more inclusive entities like sororities and fraternities where just about everyone can fit in and find their niche.
- To create a better on campus community.
- To have better involvement or interactions with other students from different programs or campuses.
- To set up and support a Language Club/community.
Whenever there's events happening in the mezzanine in the Surrey Campus, there's never signs saying what's up. Other than that I love it here.

Facilities

- More study spaces around campus
- 2ply toilet paper.
- Add more color. No smoking allowed.
- Bad condition of SFU building diminish the universities reputation
- be brighter
- Better amenities on campus
- Better chairs in lecture
- Better maintenance of campus
- Better waste management and recycling.
- build more and better washrooms
- Building maintenance
- Burnaby campus building and washrooms.
- Burnaby Campus can be kind of dark at times. Try to lighten things up please!
- Change the environment
- Cleaner facility
- create a space for students to connect.
- Create more ergonomic study areas
- Create more inviting spaces to relax/study/read between classes
- Create more studying space
- Enlarge school district size and building more teaching building and practice building.
- Enlarge the study space in the SFU Surrey Campus.
- Expand the SFU Surrey campus, its EXTREMELY inconvenient to have to go to SFU Burnaby from Surrey everyday.
- Facilities
- Find works of art (modern, abstract, traditional) that could be affixed to the concrete pillars around the university. The SFU50 showed how much the chalk can lighten up the place. While I love the architecture, I can see validity in the idea that it can look a little gloomy, and I think using art in the same way the AQ uses it, by putting up rain/wind proof laminated art on the pillars, could help a lot.
- Fix all the spots and needa maintenance, repaint the concrete building into light cream colors
- Fix the buildings.
- For the library to become more spacious and open.
- Get rid of the rats
- getting rid of the flies in AQ
- Have a commuter's lounge (collegium) where other commuters could feel at "home"
- Have more seating, tables, and outlets around campus for studying
- Have more sitting and studying space
- Have more study space available so that we don't have to walk around for a half hour to find somewhere to study.
- Have well functioning, clean and up-to-date facilities (ex. Washrooms that have worn and broken down, having toilets that flush or sinks that don't break apart, asbestos warnings around the AQ, black-outs, broken lights in the halls that haven't been fixed for several semesters etc.).
- I hope SFU can increase the capacity of some facilities since students are getting more this fall.
- I take classes mostly at Harbour Centre and finding space to study or simply hang out is very difficult. Creating more student space at the Vancouver campus needs to be a priority for the University rather than rent the limited space to private companies.
- I would like cleaner workplaces and maintained bathroom facilities. Often, desks have gum everywhere, and bathrooms have urinals overflowing, not enough paper towels or soap, and are overall filthy.
I would like it if SFU could renovate some of their buildings to make them more aesthetically pleasing. For example, the inside of the AQ has a dark feel to it, like you're underground. I wouldn't mind seeing more buildings like Saywell/Blusson Hall pop up (that incorporate more wood into the design) or even just replacing some of the concrete around campus with more sustainable and newer looking material, if possible.

I would love for there to be a campus closer to where I live, as I live all the way in Maple Ridge and commute for an hour and a half to get to the Burnaby campus. Alternatively, more online classes would be nice, but I'm sure that's highly possible as distance education becomes more and more popular.

If I could improve my experience at SFU, I would create more study space for students and SFU staff to use and enjoy.

If SFU could do one thing to improve my experience here, it would be to build more study areas around campus. There are a lot of study areas already but they get taken up really quickly therefore you have to spend time trying to find places to study which are available than actually bring able to study.

Improve building facilities, Hire responsible TAs, Charge less tuition and other fees (Too many service fees)

Improve facilities

Improve of study area (should provide more resting places, seats and plugs for chargers)

Improve school facilities (washrooms, lighting, water leakage..etc)

Improve the amount of seating in the Surrey campus.

Improve the atmosphere as it feels very gloomy.

Improve the campus atmosphere/physical campus. It isn't a place that I care to spend much time but I want it to be.

Improve the look/atmosphere on campus so the rainy foggy days on the mountain don't seem so depressing.

Improve the seating of the classrooms in Burnaby campus for comfort, and maintain equipment better.

Improve/increase study spaces

Improve/maintain buildings better.

Improve/Renovate the interior spaces. There isn't too much that the school overall should do to improve my experience.

Improving sunlights by redesigning buildings or windows

In my experience, SFU could improve the renovate the old building. We need to upgrade the lecture hall and buildings.

In my personal opinion, I believe that SFU is in need of more 'social' space, or areas where students can gather to socialize,interact, or even study on campus. Again, in my personal opinion, the only spaces that would remotely resemble such an area currently are Convocation Mall and Maggie Benston Center, albeit both lack the capacity and amenities necessary to cater to large numbers of students on a daily basis.

Increased quiet study work areas.

instead of BuildSFU, fix other things around the campus like the washrooms, leaks on ceilings, etc.

It would be great if SFU had a separate building for the Simon Fraser Student Society.

Keep facilities well renovated (gym change room showers are really bad).

Larger campus

lecture halls are not very suitable for exam writing

Listen. There are many washrooms in SFU but there are few with good privacy. The ones with good privacy are the ones in the AQ in floors 5 and above. I hope that SFSS is able to improve the toilets there. Many are dirty and and unsightly. Perhaps a minor renovation would be great for people with bad tummies.

Location and study spaces

maintain buildings

Maintenance on old classrooms.
• Make a more aesthetically appealing campus. Make facilities "nice" and give us new facilities.
• Make buildings look better from the outside. I feel like I am coming to a prison every time I come up the mountain.
• Make more seating places available
• Make more study spots
• Make the campus capitalize on the location... more green space, more nature incorporated into the walkways and between buildings.
• Make the campus more colorful and add more study rooms.
• Make the lecture halls/rooms more warm and inviting (including the physical and emotional aspects--for example, comfortable chairs, inviting colours, profs attending more towards students emotional needs, etc.)
• More ****Comfortable****, updated, and accessible study spaces. I don't know who makes the furniture decisions for lounges and study spaces. But they are terrible.
• More 24 hour study areas
• More accessibility on campus-signage at the very least that clarifies which elevators are where, and what floors are what.
• More area's to socialize and to make the Burnaby campus more lively instead of it feeling so bland with all its concrete.
• More clean and comfortable study spaces
• More color around the school
• More colour on the buildings, especially for during the winter.
• More comfortable seating, everywhere. A lot of the lecture halls have seats too close to sit comfortably enough to pay attention to the instructor, and many of the older work spaces (like tables at Blusson) don't have any cushioning at all for the wood benches.
• More Couches
• More fun and colour, the campus is so bleh
• More individual study spaces. The study carrels on the way from the AQ to TASC were replaced with tables that have no plugs and now less people can study there.
• More places to sit
• More places to sit and study.
• More places to study around campus
• More places to study. Especially in Vancouver
• More practical stuff -> more labs
• More quiet study areas around campus
• More quiet study rooms
• More seating area
• More seating area. The school is too crowded for how many students there are.
• More seating for studying and more general knowledge for students about events, activities, and other things such as exactly where to go for co-ops and academic advising
• More seats in the mez for the Surrey Campus
• More sitting areas
• More space in hallways, less vendors in AQ
• More student spaces. e.g. Common rooms etc.
• More study areas
• More Study areas
• More study areas
• More study areas for students
• More study areas for students
• More study rooms
• More study rooms, more study places overall. Refer to UBC bird's nest.
• More study space
• More study space
• More study space
• More study space - give criminology a common room. We're one of the largest student
departments yet we don't even have a common room, while philosophy, psychology, English etc..
all have one (even if it's shared).
• More study space and group study areas
• More study space!!
• More study spaces, tables and chairs (SFU Surrey)
• More study tables No Strikes - I need my marks!!
• More study/seating areas
• more tables and study rooms
• More workspaces in the Surrey Campus and blinds by the big windows.
• Nap rooms
• New/Improved facilities would be a major improvement for me. Obviously the infrastructure of the
school is aging and I feel as though repairs and new development would enhance the school's
image.
• Newer buildings
• Nicer buildings (classroom/lecture halls need to be brighter and more appealing to students; a
student union building)
• not many places to study because there are too many people
• One experience should be the overall atmosphere. It's pretty bland and it's not unique besides the
50 years of SFU and all the clubs are nice.
• Paint the Grey concrete buildings, there is a huge Corolation between happiness and colours.
• Permanent bleachers at the sports field to make the experience of watching football and soccer
games more enjoyable, although the temporary bleachers and the hill are not the worst thing and
do add character to the school. Sitting on the hill fits with learning on the hill.
• please give students more stop to study.
• provide more lounge space
• Provide more places to study that are comfortable and clean. A lot of places have been updated
such as in the AQ but updating WMC for example would be really good.
• Provide more study space on campus
• Redesign the whole school pls. The concrete is ugly af.
• Renovate more of the washrooms.
• Renovate the Burnaby campus to look more like the Surrey or Downtown campuses.
• Renovate the existing, dilapidated buildings on campus (see: RCB Hall) before constructing new,
frivolous buildings. I am very impressed and happy with the new bathrooms, and the "Hub" in the
Education building, but I would like to see more of that. For being such a "conscientious"
university, I find this decision to construct a "SUB" and grandstand to be about the most wasteful
use of resources conceivable. Unfortunately I was not able to vote (I was in class) on the issue
and for that I am disappointed. Thankfully this is my final semester as an undergrad, and I will not
have to fund such a pointless expenditure.
• Repair buildings and make them more welcoming.
• Replacement of the large black chairs in the library.
• SFU (Burnaby and Surrey) has horrible seating options available. Having more indoor and
outdoor tables would greatly increase my experience.
• Sometimes, Its very cold in the campus (Burnaby) and d
• start spending more money on burnaby campus to fix buildings
• Summer: air conditioning
• Take care of the installations and Goldcorp centre
• the ASB is way to hot most of the time. Lets save some energy and money and use it elsewhere
• The environment of the campus. The grey dull walls are hard to look at and feel alive. We need a
little more color on our campus to make it more exciting.
• The environment, it's lack of study spaces and welcoming/engaging public spaces does not make
me look forward to the commute to SFU.
• The infrastructure and lighting, or sometimes is too bleak up here in Burnaby. Especially during the
fall.
- The lecture hall tables are either broken or near broken.
- The surrey campus could use better work spaces for projects.
- The visual aesthetic of the school. Make the school more vibrant with our school colors (flags, banners, murals) possibly bring in fake but colorful flowers to make the school seem brighter and contrast the concrete.
- Think of a way to get rid of all the chewed gum stuck under/on the study desks in the library please.
- Tiles in Convocation Mall are dangerously slippery when wet.
- Upgrade the architecture because some buildings are so old that they look depressing and I'm almost scared of the library because if there's an earthquake....

**TSSU Strike (Including Withholding Grades)**
- * Resolve the TA Strike * Add more studying tables
- Allowing this strike to go on for so long. How much did that 50th anniversary party cost?
- As someone who aspires to be a TA, i would love to hasve the issue resolved quickly.
- be friends with the tssu so we get grades
- Come up with a reasonable agreement with the TSSU so that we students don't have to go through the pain of not getting grades.
- Deal with different strikes better so students don't get stuck in the middle of something that shouldn't involve them.
- Do something about the bargaining with the TSSU so that people can actually get the grades they worked for and paid for.
- Do something about TSSU withholding grades and constantly going on strike all the time.
- Don't allow the TSSU to use us as leverage in getting what they want. On their website it says "defend education", when really, it's all about the TSSU and nothing about the students.
- End the current strike so that innocent students can receive their grades and, as a result, have a better idea of whether or not they need extra help in their classes, allow them to apply for jobs following graduation, and apply for other programs. It is absolutely ridiculous that paying students are being penalized because Teaching Assistants are dissatisfied with their pay and benefits.
- End the job action so students are not taking the brunt of it by being denied our grades.
- end the strike
- End the TSSU Strike
- End the TSSU strike and give the TAs proper working conditions.
- End the TSSU strike by allocated funds appropriately
- End the TSSU strike by listening to their concerns and attempting to come to a solution; not by coercing them into submission through cessation of benefits. We can't properly take full advantage of our educational experience here if our instructors, the very people responsible for that education, are not fully cared for and appreciated.
- Figure out their contract issues with TSSU without having to sacrifice student grades.
- Figure your [****] out with the TSSU. I don't care how, but I want my grades from summer 2015 and feedback this term.
- Fix the problem with the TSSU. Give students grades, we paid for it. Not increase International Students fees to make profit. Fix the buildings.
- Fix the TSSU, it's the end of September and I still don't have my grades from last semester. TSSU has gone on strike at least 3 different occasions since I started my undergrad in 2011. This has to stop.
- Get better staff member for managing the relationship between SFU and TSSU. They are NOT doing a good job here. The strike is affecting many students' lives, and being forced to make unwanted decisions. So please have someone who know how to negotiate to run the thing.
- Get me my grades.
- GET MY GRADES ALREADY, CHEAPER TUITION
- Get my summer semester grades released
- Get our grades
• get our marks after midterms.
• Get our marks back for tests and assignments
• Getting grades/marks back.
• Getting my grades to be quite honest.
• Give marks
• Give me my grades from the summer 2015 semester and end the TSSU conflict so I can get my grades in the system for this semester as well (fall 2015)
• Give me my grades.
• Give me the grade!
• Give our grades back
• Give the students our grades
• Give the TSSU what they want so we can get our grades.
• Give us our grades
• Grades
• Had major trouble getting into courses at the beginning of this semester due to the wait list system being frozen due to the strike. Was only only able to get into 3 of 4 courses I wanted to take. Got into my third course on the day tuition was due; That was ridiculous. Please resolve the issue with TSSU before enrolment for spring 2016 semester begins.
• Have the TSSU stop withholding my grades.
• Hire TAs who would not strike. It's terrible how we can't see our marks.
• How about settling your strike with the TA's and Profs so that I can see my grades for this, and last, semester? That would be great.
• I am fairly happy with my experience at SFU. However, I am kind of disappointed with what is happening with our grades being withheld. It does not seem that other universities have labour disputes occurring as frequently as SFU does. It kind of sullies the reputation of what should otherwise be a world class institution.
• I have been extremely frustrated by the recent TSSU job action; it bothers me a great deal that I have spent several hours researching and working yet I am receiving no numerical grade feedback. As someone who hopes to one day go to law school, not knowing my CGPA standing makes me very anxious and worried about my academic standing. I simple just want the university administration to work out a new, fair deal with them. I am in complete support of the TSSU and understand their reasoning, it is the administration I am upset with and I feel that they should be making more compromising and moving more quickly.
• i just want my grades,
• I truly believe that as a private educational institution, SFU is obligated to protect student's from negative effects of labour disputes. I have considered switching to another institution due to the frequent disruptions that SFU inflicts on it's student body. Regardless of the nature of the labour dispute, in the future, unions should not hold the authority to withhold grades. Student grades are the property of the student. If grades are not released, then why is tuition still due on the same deadline? If I pay for something, I expect the full service and I truly find it absurd that it is possible for the university to deny me my grades and full teaching services. A labour dispute is not of the student's concern and it should be handled privately and professionally by the union and the university. Please implement a policy that forbids the union from withholding grades in the future.
• I wish the strike could be resolved ASAP :)
• I would get rid of the withholding of grades from TSSU, it affects me and many fellow students greatly
• I would like my grades for the summer 2015 term. It's extremely frustrating to not have them. If the labor dispute was over, I would be a lot more satisfied with my SFU experience
• I would really like to recieve the grades that I pay for.
• I wrote down "somewhat satisfied" because I still have not received my grades from the summer semester, owing to the labour union job action. While this matter perhaps cannot be helped, I hope that regulations will be put into place to prevent such a strategy being taken in the future. Other than the job action, I am quite happy with my experience at SFU.
If SFU could bargain with the TSSU and reach a collective agreement. If this bargaining reaches a lock-out, it will be very damaging to students and our Sessionals, TMs, and TAs. With how many Sessional instructors we have, the impact would be monumental.

Improve the Agreement between SFU and TSSU, therefore it doesn't constraint student's grade and performance at school

Just end the TSSU strike. And make the campus more inviting (rennovate all areas and ugly floors to look like the area in Images Theatre)

Less ta strikes.
Less TSSU strikes
Maybe i could get my marks back
Maybe provide the marks to us
More respect to the needs of TAs, instructors, and markers. The treatment of the TSSU is shameful.

My number one issue with SFU is that the university has not yet resolved the job action by the TSSU. My TAs are unhappy, my marks are being withheld and as a first time student at SFU that means that I have no idea how I'm doing. I wish the offers the University made were more generous and I feel that the demands of the TSSU are reasonable. This part of my SFU experience has been really disappointing.

Negotiate with TSSU so my grades from last semester can be released. THANKS!

No more strike by having a consensus with employees

Pay the TA's more so that we can all just get on with what we're here to do. It's absolutely ridiculous that the university will not raise the wages of some of the lowest paid TA's in the country, and it's a very simple fix that allows them to do their job and the students to study and learn more effectively than in the current situation (WHICH IS THE WHOLE POINT OF A UNIVERSITY IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN)

Pay your TA's enough money so we can get our grades back.
Please improve on TA job action and giving out marks. Thanks
Please resolve the TSSU issue, it would really be helpful to students if both sides would compromise and reach an agreement already

Preventing strikes every 1.5 years.
Provide the necessary staff and get them a fair contract so it doesn't disrupt our learning experiences

Reach an agreement with the TA's so grades can be released. I would also like a better "sense of community" and more togetherness amongst the students.

Release our grades.
Release the grade in time
Resolve issues with TSSU.
Resolve problems between the SFU administration and the TSSU. I need my grades.
Resolve SFU vs. TSSU issue
Resolve the issue with TSSU and release our grades
Resolve the issues with the TSSU
resolve the strike with TSSU
Resolve the TSSU strike
Resolve the TSSU strike
Resolve the TSSU strike (by paying them a living wage) and allow me to see the grades I haven't been able to view since July.

resolve TSSU, have more of student body represent the vote for buildSFU
Settle issues with the TSSU.
Settle the labour dispute
Settle the labour disputes that seem to be ever-ongoing here. I'm paying good money to get a partial university experience

SFU could respect the TSSU and not ignore their contract which ultimately affects the students. As a Communications student, I have mostly sessional professors and TAs. I have not received any grades for the summer semester and I'm quite upset about it. I am completely on the side of
the TSSU because it is not fair to them to have a precarious job situation and to not have a contract that enables them to provide for their students in the best way. This is the 2nd time there has been a strike in 3 years and SFU needs to respect the TSSU and listen to them as opposed to ignoring them and simply trying to put a band aid on the situation. I would not wish this situation upon ANY future student.

- SFU really needs to work in collaboration with the TSSU in order to resolve the ongoing strike action. SFU administration and TSSU need to stop thinking about themselves, and realize that there are others (students who pay thousands of dollars every few months for tuition), involved as well.
- should have resolve the conflict with the TSSU so we can get our final grades of summer courses
- Shut down TSSU and get my grade back, open more classes as we asked for.
- Solve the issue regarding the strike, in which students cannot access their grades. I need my grades in order to understand where I stand in each of my courses.
- Solve the issue with the TSSU.
- Solve the problem with TSSU
- Solve the TA problem because it's very hard to study with no marks to judge how you're performing
- Stop letting the TA's screw us over whenever they don't get what they want.
- STOP THE STRIKE AND RESOLVE ALL THE ISSUES WITH THE TSSU.
- Stop the TSSU job action/strike in order to receive grades that you owe us from the summer and this semester.
- Stop the TSSU strike
- Stop TSSU strikes from affecting students.
- The TA strike is unnecessary and adding insult to injury, tuition has been raised. The students are suffering from this action, not the decision makers.
- The TSSU strike is withholding valuable grades that students need in order to progress with their degree here, which I as a student am very concerned about. The university itself has been a tremendous experience as to my introduction to it so far, but this strike is affecting not only my grades but planning towards my degree as well. Once it is resolved, I can fairly rate SFU as excellent in the experience thus far.
- The TSSU strike should not involve and hinder the student body, especially the process of withholding grades. Please make changes to this.
- To finally come up with a solution in regards to the issue with the TA's
- To provide me with grades, and to settle the strike matter occurring.
- To resolve and bring an end to the TSSU strike as soon as possible so we can receive grades and feedback on our work.
- To resolve the TA strikes so that we can actually see our grades.
- TSSU strike should be dealt with soon. I need my marks.
- Yes, deal with admin issues promptly in a fair way. My welcome to SFU was to not get to see my grades. I study my brains off to get "high marks" that God knows if they are high or not. Stop threatening tssu people and just solve the issue. SFU has higher tuition that UBC and yet tssu people don't get paid properly. In fact, we, the student are paying for all this issue but not getting marks. I hope tssu will strike all the way not getting any work done and maybe that way all this drama can be solve then. I like it here but come on!

Course Availability, Variety and Scheduling

- Adding more sections for a class to make personal time and agendas more efficient.
- As an SFU NOW student we are regularly told that we are legitimate students within the SFU population, fine. However; there has not been much thought given to the overall scope of what a full time career driven individual needs in order to succeed it their chosen area of study. Beyond the ridiculous fees that many full time working adults have to pay as part of being a "regular" SFU student for services we will never use or organizations we have no time to participate in, my biggest complaint is the limitations of course availability open to me as an evening and weekend student. Often a prof asks why we have taken a particular course and my go to answer is simply that it was the only one (s) available that allowed my progress to move in a forward direction.
Whomever it is that creates the NOW schedule is in essence forcing the direction of the courses we have to take and over the past 3 years this has been a major issue. The same courses are offered over and over with the odd switch or addition (relating directly to a Communications Degree) and therefore I am stuck taking what is offered and throwing electives in that sound interesting only because the options are so limited.

- Be able to have courses available and choose by need/interest not only availability of the courses. For example, this term I am taking one course to complete my degree only because it was the only one available, and I want to finish my degree now. I am having a bad experience.
- better class scheduling
- Better class time choices.
- Better course availability in the semesters that students need the courses.
- Better course management. I can't get into anything because courses are always full
- Better course scheduling.
- Better system for class registration
- Class enrollment system.
- Class offering and scheduling
- Classroom capacity, resolving the shortage of enrollment spaces
- Course availability and inter campus travel would be nice, but PLEASE LOWER TUITION.
- Course selection and availability.
- Don't make courses so small that it's impossible to get into, I'm a third year IAT major, and by the time our course registration times came around, out of around 10 300 level courses there were only one or two still open, and in the wrong concentration stream that I had no intention of taking prior to this.
- Easier Course enrollment.
- Enrolling in classes should be less problematic.
- Getting into the classes I need to to be able to graduate on time
- Greater range of classes offered every semester
- Have better schedules or open the time slot more
- Have more arts classes
- Have more night classes available
- I am a History student at seems that not many courses are offered each semester and that the ones that are offered are all at the same time.
- I completely understand that the fine arts and Music departments are in downtown Vancouver, but I think there should be more fine arts and music classes offered on the Burnaby Campus.
- I would allow more room in certain high demand courses. For example people may be interested in BPK but it is extremely hard to take the lower division courses when they are constantly full. I feel as though it is blocking students ability to experiment and look for what really motivates them. It also demotivates students who may have decided to switch majors and cannot get into the courses they need to further their degree due to the not being accepted in to the faculty yet. Having a larger class size or being more accommodating for those students who truly want to take the course would make course selection much less stressful and give students the opportunity to smoothly transition if decided to change majors.
- i would like to have more courses during evening time
- I would say a wider variety in course offerings. I am finding most of my courses here are rooted in philosophy and not practical communication and that I am reading the same theorists and articles in every class despite what the course is. I would like to see classes that are truly varied and practical.
- Improve class enrolment. One of the most common complaints I hear is being unable to register in courses they want or even require, forcing them to delay other courses.
- Improve course selection
- Improve the fairness of course selection so that more students can select courses that they really need to enrol in.
- Improve the registration system for class enrollment.
- Less morning (8:30) classes
- Let people take the class that they want
- Major courses enrollment
- Make courses available all year round and provision of better profs. Also, ensure engineering honours students finish their thesis in 8 months and not drag them for 1 year plus to benefit out of their research.
- Make it easier to complete my degree in four years. Wasn't able to get into the courses I needed some terms due to reserve seats or just too long of a wait list, very few summer courses, took me forever to get into my major.
- Make it easier to take the courses I was interested in.
- Make mandatory courses for a degree available every semester with more than one section for the smaller classes so students have options for times
- Make registration an easier/less frustrating process.
- Make some classes more available to certain campuses. For example, it is very difficult to get accepted into policing courses because they are open to Surrey students first. While I may not have the Surrey campus as my main campus, this shouldn't keep me from being able to take the classes that I want. Either make most classes accessible on all campuses or allow something at the Vancouver or Burnaby campus a realistic shot in getting Surrey courses without having to go through the headache of switching official campus or hoping that someone drops the class. This goes all 3 ways.
- Make the classes I need available.
- Make the course schedule better, like in a same day for tut and lec
- Making more available room in classes for students in the faculty.
- Maybe offer more classes. I transferred to SFU because it looked like you had a lot of class choices but now it appears as though they are not offered. There are hardly any humanities classes available and now I am planning to transfer to UBC due to class choice.
- More accessibility to more classes
- More class variety and availability during the summer semester.
- More classes in Surrey
- More classes offered distance ed or at night
- More classes, so more flexibility and options for students to make a good schedule.
- More course options because sometimes there are courses that are uninteresting for some terms.
- More course selection, more courses in geography offered (not just one semester a year)
- More courses offered at better time so I can actually get into them so I can graduate.
- More french classes, better variety
- More online classes
- More options for classes (schedule-wise). Offer core classes more often. I know people who have had to wait for a year in order to take a course they need for the program.
- More time slots for classes. I'm every semester I have a difficult time making my school schedule work with my work schedule. Even taking night classes and going to all three campuses, I still have a hard time taking what I need.
- More variety of class selections and easier enrollment into classes. (I don't always get into the classes I wanted)
- More variety of class times so that in between classes, there is not a huge gap.
- Multiple course offering per year
- Not enough classes to quickly graduate from SFU. The amount of classes in computer science is shrinking concentrations have become useless since either you are prevented from taking those classes because of other classes or due to them being available to software engineering students. The classes listed are either never offered or offered extremely rarely.
- Offer classes more often. I've had to wait a year many times to take a class. Very annoying
- Offer courses more than once per year
- Offer engineering course more often not once a year!
- Offer Engineering courses more than once a year
- Offer mandatory courses every year instead of once every two.
- Offer more class times... and not all in the late afternoon (HSCI)
• Offer more courses throughout the year and stop removing them from enrollment
• Offer more evening/weekend upper level CMPT courses.
• Offer more night class availability.
• Offering more sections/choice in upper division courses.
• Organizing courses so that it is possible to fill your schedule with your major without having to attend school four days a week at separate campuses which makes finding time to work incredibly difficult. Or lose out on courses because the limited amount of upper division humanities courses are at the same time or right after each other but on separate campuses therefore forcing you to take fewer classes and making it harder to graduate in a timely manner.
• plan, schedule, and offer more courses in each semester.
• Provide more sections of classes which are mandatory for degrees
• Provide more tutorials in a week for a course than just once a week. ie. Psychology
• some of courses are not available to take next semester which makes hard to me to planning my academic schedule for graduation.
• Take more courses
• The enrolment process can be frustrating, and sometimes I feel as through SFU is not the best at getting students involved. The worst part of my academic career here is Simon Fraser allowing the TSSU strike to impede students’ work, and not creating an effective solution to allow undergraduates updates on their grades in classed that are effected.
• The MSE program could work more with the students to allow program modifications. (For example, offering courses more than once per year, or alternate prerequisite models, so that one missed course doesn't equal an entire year's delay of graduation. Or, not requiring the student to end on coursework rather than co-op, for the same reason.)
• to offer classes every semester, not having to wait a whole year to take a class if needing to retake
• Too limited course sections
• Use a better enrollment system

University Administration/Policy Decisions
• A better student union and more funding for facilities
• Academic policy
• Accept more courses to directly transfer from local colleges to SFU, particularly in the French department
• accept more transfer units from other institutions
• Actually care about the students and be transparent about processes.
• Adjust summer terms so that they could be shorter, and students could actually have summer
• Align the university's investment practices with it's research record on climate change (consider removing its investments from fossil fuel companies). As a student, I am aware that my life is and will be impacted by climate change. I feel uncomfortable that my university is invested in companies that destroy the climate.
• Allow for preferred names on Student ID Cards.
• Allow me to transfer my grades over from Okanagan College and count towards my GPA
• Allow students to take elect courses for their interest and for the sake of exploring outside their comfort zone while not affecting their CGPA
• Assign departments to one campus. It probably isn't realistic, but commute time from Burnaby to Surrey to downtown can be a bit taxing. There's a weird disconnect between campuses - everyone just seem to want to be in Burnaby.
• Ban all smoking on campus.
• Be more efficient in terms of communication between administration and teaching staff.
• Be more engaged with their students
• Be more strict with studying on campus. Multiple times I have experienced not being able to find a study spot on the Surrey campus because students from other Universities are on campus. As a result it's very difficult to find a spot, and frustrating when I attend the University and these people don't yet they are in study rooms, tables etc.
• be more student oriented and respect your students better while they are in training. Don't try to overwhelm them to test their resistance to stress. We learn less when we are totally overwhelmed. Be more transparent about certain evaluation processes. Have teacher who treats their students as adult learners.
• Be more understanding and less dismissive of the individual needs and circumstances of students.
• Better accommodations for students with disabilities.
• Distribute community service awards based on community service rather than academic excellence.
• Divest from Fossil Fuels
• Do not continue with Build SFU. It's a huge waste of money for the university and the students, most of whom will not see the its' fruits until long after they have graduated.
• Don't host loud events outside the library (e.g. when preparing for SFU Fall Kickoff, loud music outside)
• Extend the drop-out-of-a-class time to 2 weeks. So we really know what classes we want to commit ourselves for a whole semester.
• Fall reading break. So many other schools have it and it would really help stress levels.
• Get better students
• Give higher focus and acknowledgement to the Fine Arts and fight for some unity between the different campuses and disciplines.
• Give the student public information on tuition increase, and the reason behind those increases.
• Have bus passes available 24 hours a day
• Have more security at the Surrey campus that stops non-sfu students from studying there. They take up so many study places during finals and it makes it so difficult to find study places.
• Have your admissions department coordinate better with your international department so that you get basics right such as knowing how grade boundaries convert from other countries. I was not amused, having been top of my class, to be told I should ideally have better grades. Realise that if someone is to come here from a different continent then it is important that they have sufficient time to prepare, and that leaving it until less than 2 weeks before the start of classes to confirm which courses need to be taken, does not make it easy for someone to plan a schedule, arrive, make living arrangements and get over jet lag before classes start. I understand that a final assessment has to wait until official grades arrive, but surely all of the course equivalences can be worked out in advance so that as soon as the grades arrive, everything can move forward quickly provided that those grades are good enough.
• Higher Admission requirements. SFU has too many underachievers. sigh.
• Hold democratic voting for things like BuildSFU, and take into consideration the negatives STUDENTS have brought up or target all sources to resolve the TSSU strike. Basically, everything that will somehow effect students should be priority in being solved as we as students pay thousands of dollars to get an education, and have chosen SFU for it.
• I thought the BuildSFU vote was pretty unfair. Lots of people couldn't make the vote in person, so why was there no online option like with this or with student elections? That should have been changed.
• Improve internal transfer requirements for new students, or have more lenient appeal system
• Improve SFU's reputation.
• Improve the bureaucracy
• Increase financial support for sports. Our sporting department is seriously lacking.
• Institute an online voting system so that students can actually vote on things that affect them.
• It would be to eliminate the vast amounts of greatly unnecessary red tape tying up everything that you do at SFU. Also, start caring about your students and making their interactions with SFU pleasant and enjoyable, instead of SFU's current overarching mindset of being completely focused on making money. Three (small) examples of the above: 1) Removing the option to pay for tuition by credit card to save money. This was very easy and convenient for me. 2) The Ethics office telling me that I need their approval, and then not allowing me to file an application for an interview for my essay. This from "Canada's leading engaged university"? 2) Renaming
buildings/structures after donors. This is ridiculous, and only serves to reinforce the 'money first' dogmatic attitude at SFU management. 'SFU Theatre' was a short and sweet name, not like the mouthful that it is now. How many structures does Djavad Mowafaghian and the Diamond family need named after them? Good lord!

- Less Chinese international students who cannot speak English.
- Let me opt out of the upass.
- Lower the gpa standard for internal transfer into other faculties
- Make the process to withdraw with extenuating circumstances less stressful.
- Make the SFSS find a way for everyone to vote on things, not just those who luck out and are able to make a meeting.
- Making SFU less business like and actually educate people on what they are getting into what options they can do job research demo
- More active, open and supportive of student initiatives/groups/organization on issues of social and environmental justice - and to be a leading universities on such issues.
- More attention to international students
- More clarity re: school fees
- More flexible degree requirements. Offer courses in more than just one semester a year so degrees don't take as long and class sizes become smaller.
- More reading breaks
- More support within the education department
- My issues with SFU only extend to the applied sciences, engineering department to be specific. It's already an extremely demanding degree and with the curriculum changes and the reduced and spaced course offerings I've had to delay my graduation by a solid two semesters already.
- No smoking on campus
- Often during lectures in the AQ I can hear what sounds like construction (ie loud banging, machines working) coming from somewhere nearby. It's extremely disruptive, I don't know if it's due to construction or maintenance or what but it's unacceptable to have lectures interrupted like that.
- Open office policy. Do not be step up lip service.
- Optional charges on student athletic facilities on Burnaby since I am a downtown based student I do not use any of the facilities on the Burnaby mountain.
- Organization within the departments. Many departments are very unorganized with the way they handle problems and the student services department has no idea how other departments do things (ie. business, engineering, etc.). This is very hard for new students.
- Please make entrance requirements for returning students clearer. It would have saved me much time and stress enrolling if I had known I could not get into the program I wanted. Your website needs a usability redesign badly. Perhaps engage the program I couldn't get into? Try SIAT for some help.
- Please stop doing special events in front of librart during exams period
- Provide a better budget for international studies so students can get more qualified professors
- Provide a longer period before the deadlines to swap/drop classes - it sometimes take more than a month to get a grasp of your class and schedules before you realize something isn't for you or isn't meeting your expectations.
- Provide letter grade for students
- SFU could reduce the number of times lecture halls get changed for each class.
- Show they care about students more
- Start caring more about learning and students and less about money.
- Stop build sfu. End the strike. Maintain facilities.
- Stop changing the curriculum in engineering. And expecting students to wear the financial cost and time in their lives. It is ridiculous.
- Stop changing the requirements, stop messing with students please.
- Stronger scent policies Too many people are wearing perfumes. Almost once or twice a week I get headaches, sick, dizzy. Because someone has worn perfume. This is everywhere, hallways, cafes, line ups waiting areas lectures. You name it Being sensitive to smells is a really problem
is not made up or dramatized. It effects my education and my ability to function in class and at school. I would like it to be taking more serious. I have read your pages on the policy. And lack of one. Saying it is up to the student to confront others. This is not enough.

- The ability to transfer upass to one person in your family/household.
- There's too many people. Needs higher admission standards.
- Transparency during SFSS-related referendums.

**Tuition/Fees and Financial Aid**

- As an international student, paying tuition fee is always a struggle and it would help them if school could provide more chances for scholarship
- be cheaper
- Bring down the price of tuition
- Cheaper tuition
- Cheaper Tuition fees
cheaper tuition. I can barely afford it and will be relying on student loans for a long time.
- Cut the tuition fee
- Decrease international student fees. Or at least do not increase them by more. Than local fees!
- Decrease school fees
- Decrease the fee for international students
- Decrease the tuition fee
decrease tuition
- Decrease tuition.
- Decrease Tuition.
- Do Not increase the tuition fee every year!
- DO NOT increase the tuition... Its been tougher and tougher for international students. The TA strike put off the works they should do but we are the victims that are being affected.
- Don't increase fees for tuition.
- Fees and inconvenient of transit
- For tuition to cost less or for books to cost less.
- FREE TUITION FREE [***] TEXTBOOKS
- Hi, SFU should take more care to international students, who are not the rich at all. Why do not upraise the tuition fee slowly? Also, I hope some professors should treat fair to international students. Thank you!
- I would have went to post secondaries for the first 60 credits to save money.
- It would be nice not to feel like SFU is constantly try to take your money at every turn. It feels more like a corporate business than an actual school.
- less tuition for international student
- Lowe international students' tuitions
- Lower down the tuition fees.
- lower international students' tuition fee
- Lower school rates and ways to charge students more. Give us a little bit more time to decide if we want to drop a course w/o a penalty charge etc. YOU should make us feel like SFU cares about education and not use US, the students, as a financial gain for everything. You already charge enough for courses.
- Lower the cost of tuition
- lower the price of printing
- Lower the tuition
- Lower the tuition fee
- Lower the tuition.
- lower tuition and fees
- Lower tuition costs
- Lower tuition costs.
• Lower tuition costs.
• Lower tuition fee
• Lower tuition fees
• Lower tuitions
• Lower tuition fees
• Lowering tuition fee
• Maintain the level of international student tuition fee and stop increasing
• More accessibility to financial assistance (scholarships, bursaries etc.)
• More affordable tuition
• More affordable. It's been very expensive between tuition, increases in costs, and books.
• More bursaries.
• More scholarships!
• Not increase tuition yet again
• Please stop raising the international tuition.
• Reduce the international students tuition
• Reduce the tuition fee!!!
• Reduce the tuition fees
• Reduce total fees for seniors taking classes for credit. Currently I'm paying $750 - $950 per term to take ONE 3 unit class!
• Reduce tuition
• Reduce tuition costs
• Revamp its scholarship policy.
• Stop charging ridiculous fees for everything and stop the buildsfu project.
• Stop increasing international student tuition
• Stop raising tuition every year
• The tuition for international student is way too high, and SFU still keep on add it for each year. On the other hand the space in library are no enough for student especially during the fall and spring semester.
• There's an increase in student's tuition, meanwhile I'm not even able to get my grades because of the TA strike. That seems unfair to students. Some parts of the building are old and need renovation
• Tution fee for international students. Really mean

**Services**

• A place to hangout and be loud off residence so that the students trying to study are able to have a quite space, or a quite space open till late at night/early in the morning for studying off residence.
• Actually, at the first week I needed to pay for half an hour to find the class before it started. Through the map I just knew where the buildings but not the room, even I knew the room number.
• Aggressively advertise volunteer research opportunities, especially to first years
• Attending orientations or FROSH at the beginning would have really helped with meeting new people
• Better customer service
• Better direction/resources for new students. The website is not a very helpful resource when it comes to course planning, finding out where and how I can print things etc. I have had to rely completely on the help of siblings who were past students, and I'm lucky, but not every student has that. Without proper resources or direction, you're essentially setting up students for failure.
• Better opportunities to volunteer or work in my field at the same time as doing my school. While work-study exists and I have taken advantage of it, it is not really related to my field, at least in my experience.
• Build student union building for students to interact more. Also have more restaurants on campus.
- Direction on campus and route to campus parking would be very helpful
- Do more tours for undergrads so they know where everything is, or have an online system where you can type in your class room's name/number and it can show you where it's located on the campus map
- Even though their was welcome day going from high school to university is a big jump and some of us are already struggling in first semester. Their should be more done to help us get ready for university. I don't know if this can be changed but I personally feel that labs should be optional! I feel that labs should be a learning opportunity only rather than be part of our mark. Labs are very difficult and I feel that their should be a course or some sort of proper introduction to university labs if they will be still mandatory.
- Expansion of co-op programs or work-integrated learning. Perhaps make some aspect of work-integrated learning a requirement in all degree programs.
- Extend the hours for the language labs in the French department
- Give out maps with class room directions on the first day
- Have a better space for new students. A one stop shop full of all the information you should know. The offices are all over the place and its hard for new students to navigate, even with orientation.
- Have a more detail floor map of each level in each section, which will be easy to access
- Have more resources for help within classes
- Have someone to talk to about bad experiences with instructors and TA's. Last semester I was punished for speaking with one of the humanities faculty members about my experience with a TA. That resulted in me getting a C- in a class where I should've gotten at least an A-
- Having student services be open later at least one night a week for those of use who take night classes.
- helping center
- Helping students to graduate and find out what they like not depressing them with bad marks
- Host more opportunities to engage with and learn from the real world.
- I wish I could have had a mentor in first year, especially because my program is very small so there aren't very many people who can help advise me. It would be nice to study and talk to someone who has been there, knows how much study is required and help guide me.
- I would expect that there are more emails that can tell us, the first year students about what to do next academically and socially.
- I would shorten the length of time library books could be checked out to no more than one month loan periods.
- If I can use both the gyms at Surrey and Burnaby then that would be great because I live in Burnaby but all my classes are at Surrey.
- If there is any posting on volunteering at a lab or any environment connected to our majors, that would be very nice. I sometimes hesitate to ask a professor about a volunteer job opening.
- If there were more prep for international students coming from countries with less mathematical/engineering etc levels than canadian high schools
- Implement More career path programs
- Improve services for students at satellite campuses
- Include more options for SFU NOW students. Access to career fairs, info sessions for exchanges, networking events that take place at Harbour Centre in the evenings.
- It would be helpful if the library opened before 8 am (i.e. 7:30 am).
- It would be nice to have more employment opportunities locally available for ENSC co-op searches. Since the program is mandatory, with a high volume of applicants who may or may not be able to relocate for a simple 4-month work period, many are left hanging without the required co-op work period and cannot take higher level courses. There are many employers locally, but sometimes we students aren't sure which are reliable enough to approach and would like to know other options (particularly for those approaching graduation and are seeking employment locally as well).
- Make the welcome day a bit more laid back, I simply got overwhelmed with all the information I got.
- Making it more clear for first year students to know what classes they should take in the first semester and afterwards
- More directions, on first day I couldn't find my way and no one knew directions
- More flexible work opportunities for students.
- More information booths or desks for students.
- More international help (guides, poster)
- More investment in at CMC that actually helps, most students don't feel it provides much real value outside of CPA recruit.
- More job fairs and opportunities for arranged work experience
- More opportunities at the Surrey Campus, because most of them are in Burnaby.
- More options for volunteer work
- More facilities at Surrey Campus and Less International Student Fee. Solve TSSU issue plz.
- More resources and organization of resources and correspondence with students.
- More volunteer and job opportunities based on what faculty you're in
- Need a tour of the campus
- Offer more HR co-op positions. Other universities have a larger connection with employers and are able to provide more opportunities for their students.
- Part-time job
- Perhaps lengthen the library hours on weekends!
- Provide better support for students enrolling in classes, trying to ensure they are graduating, etc. It feels like we are completely on our own and SFU wouldn't notice if we took 10 years to finish an undergrad degree
- Provide opportunities for people who did not have a "great start" at school. It feels like once you mess up one semester, you messed up your whole post secondary life
- Provide work opportunity
- Should establish more communities that involve both students AND authorities that can teach career-related knowledge or involve students in minor projects to have some practice at. I don't feel a sense of involvement sometimes at SFU, counsellors or TA don't actively get in contact with students personally (whereas in UBC counsellors actively contact students who show a great drop in GPA), clubs are generally too playful for people looking for professional development, and students are not instructed to use the available facilities.
- There needs to be more library opening time at SFU Vancouver, especially in the summer semester.
- Update the library to include Graphic Novels.
- Volunteers more and take less courses
- When I came to SFU for the first time to get info about a course at Burnaby campus, i felt I was lost, as I asked a bunch of people about the main office or student services, nobody knows where they are. I walked & walked checking all the buildings one by one (as the campus is huge) and trying to find out whom to contact to get the required info, until a woman looked like a librarian, helped me and directed me to get what I needed. That's the only time I felt bad about SFU, otherwise everything looked pretty good for me. I suggest there should be big sign boards (to get people know where the office and student services are located, not just mentioning like in the SFU website that 8888 university drive) so that people who are new at the campus won't get a feeling like me.

**Transportation**
- A better public transit experience (i.e. more frequent buses up the hill).
- Better access to transit
- Better accessibility on and off campus, makes living on campus feel like you are trapped
- Better transit
- Build a gondola from Priduction Station to Burnaby campus.
- Build a gondola which goes up the mountain.
- Cheaper parking
• cheaper parking passes  
• Drive to school because the commute is incredibly long  
• Express buses to other campuses  
• Free parking  
• Free parking! I’m already paying to attend the school so parking should be included or optional with the bus pass.  
• Have a shuttle from Burnaby to Surrey. or the other way around  
• Have a skytrain up the mountain  
• Have more buses running at a time.  
• Have more parking  
• Helping students to get to classes easier Buses are not enough, students have to wait for 3 to 5 buses in order to get to class to get to school Once students have cars, parking spots are not enough even students have to pay for an expensive price and also have to pay double pay for their compass, SFU takes a lot from students here  
• I have a night class in sfu, but the last bus 143 is on 7:30. On holiday or weekend, it is not operate. Could sfu talk with trans-link?  
• I live in Richmond, so maybe a bus that goes from Richmond to SFU would be nice. It would cut down the transit time from the rather long 2hrs to something shorter.  
• I would like to see an improvement in weekend parking rates at sfu  
• Improve parking.  
• Improve transit, essentially ensure that students are not being "passed up" by full busses anywhere on campus.  
• Increase the bus services available to reduce wait times.  
• Increase the number of #135 buses (or really any bus line) service. Getting picked up from school and getting to school in the morning is immensely painful and uncomfortable and makes for a bad start to the day = not very productive students. Besides that, I love SFU!!!!  
• Increased bus service  
• Less expensive parking at Burnaby campus.  
• Make a gondola-type rail system to make getting up and down the mountain easier.  
• make it easier or quicker to get from richmond to sfu burnaby  
• Make it easier to get to Burnaby  
• Make parking on campus more affordable.  
• Make the 145 bus stop at Lougheed Station, not Production.  
• More 143 buses that also run later in the evening.  
• More bus in rush hour(7:00-8:00/16:00-17:00) Its impossible to get on a bus in lower bus station  
• More buses during peak times  
• More buses.  
• More frequent buses for the 145.  
• More frequent busses  
• more parking  
• more parking  
• More parking space  
• More parties and better activities  
• Not enough transit services to get to and from SFU (i.e. do something about the crowding at the 145 bus stop)  
• Parking is too expensive and full  
• Parking lot  
• parking lot distance from central campus  
• Parking! It is expensive and I can never find a spot.  
• provide better, faster and more efficient methods of transit for students coming from Richmond  
• The commute up the mountain. Waiting for the bus takes forever  
• The translink service could’ve been improved more!  
• To increase the frequency of bus arrivals
• to make it easier to transport among 3 campus without so many transits
• To provide more busses during rush hour.
• Transit
• transit
• Transit system can be more effective
• transit, more events
• Transportation

Instructors and TAs
• - have more opportunities to work with the TA's and professors in their labs, and in closer association with their research
• A way in which interactions with professors becomes more convenient. With limited office times and big lecture halls it is hard to interact with professors one-on-one.
• All comments about the Teaching Assistants from students should be carefully reviewed and taken seriously. Teaching Assistants who alter students' original work should be penalized just as how students are penalized from academic dishonesty.
• Better instructors
• Better professors-- they need to actually care. And actually teach. More sense of community.
• Better quality TA's
• better TA's who actually care/show up to their tutorials. Also who prepare tutorials well so that they are helpful for the class
• Better teachers and TA. Better wifi. I like the events that are happening this term (fall kickoff).
• Deal with the TA situation quicker, and hire more profs that can teach
• Both professors and TAs have more flexible office hours.
• Communication between prof, TA and students
• Ensure teachers are more friendly towards students
• Ensure that prof's have good teaching abilities. It is really disappointing to pay so much for classes when you get a professor who is terrible at teaching.
• Get more TA's or open their hours more.
• Have a screening system for professors in terms of their teaching abilities - some profs are brilliant but cannot teach. There needs to be a standard for the teaching abilities of the profs.
• Have better TAs
• Have more engaging professors with slightly smaller classes to get students more involved.
• Hire better instructors who set out clear expectations and actually TEACH material.
• hire better prof.(econ)
• Hire better professors.
• I think the teaching assistants for math should be on the same page as the professor. For example, one TA showed us how to do a question a certain way for the homework, and when the answer key came out which was done by the professor, it was wrong.
• I wish SFU would come their own teacher evaluations by attending a couple classes and seeing what is going on. The reason I am saying this is because a teacher can influence a students mark a ton. Some teachers are known to be 'easier' than others due to teaching style differences. However, not all students get the same to work with same teacher since the 'easier' ones fill up faster. In addition, some TA evaluates assignments differently also. So maybe improve uniformity in the marking so there isn't a big influence cause by what teacher or TA you get?
• I would ask SFU to improve standards for the TAs and maintain good relations with them so that students don't have to suffer the consequences despite paying so much tuition every semester.
• Improve Teacher competence
• Lay off some of the professors like [****], [****] etc.
• Make sure to pick TAs that are supportive of their students/ provide better qualities of TAs
• More teacher student interaction.
• More teacher-student time.
• Obtain better 1st/2nd year undergraduate professors. There are numerous problems: language barriers, gaps in knowledge, inexperience. Quite annoying.
• Picking well qualified TAs and professors
• please provide more rigorous teaching training for professors with bad ratings on their course evaluation. I have yet to see any prof (with bad reviews) improving their ability to teach when I retake a pre-req course with them.
• Professor's need to be much more organized.
• Professors should all take a public speaking course and some education classes to allow properly and effectively teach their students.
• Profs be More engaged with students
• replace [****]
• Require that all teachers speak fluent english and not have heavy accents.
• TA should be more efficient
• TA's should provide more detailed explanation on marking schemes and reasoning
• Teaching
• The professionalism of the instructors. e.g. arriving on time to lectures and finishing on time.
• Train TAs to run better tutorials

Program/Course Curriculum and Format

• I wish SFU had more audio lectures so that I can hear the lecture again to grasp missed points in the lectures.
• Course materials should feel more connected, rather than random topics one after another (even though these topics are related to the course itself, they are not related to each other), it is hard for me to sense that I am learning, achieving or improving when the topics are structured randomly. I am currently in first year, so I do understand the first two years may be a bit broad and wide in terms of teaching materials.
• Explain mechatronics and its courses thoroughly
• Focus on prioritizing academic departmets. I particularly wanted to see Near Eastern Studies courses such as they have at UBC. I requested the Archaeology department to implement some of those subjects into their program, particularly given what is going on in the middle east right now with the destruction of archaeological antiquities and sites.
• Hard skills
• Have classes that are more discussion based, than lecture based.
• Have classes, whether it be lectures or tutorials, more engaging. For example, in the criminology department, tutorials generally all follow the same pattern. This involves being assigned a paper to present during one of the weeks, asked to summarize the main points and lead a discussion. This gets repetitive and students do not ask questions that generate enough discussion. Only "basic" conversations can be produced, as opposed to more critical, debate-type questions.
• Have fewer readings per class. I think more professors need to take into consideration that their class is not the only thing I do in a week.
• Have more engineering options
• Have more field trips to apply our knowledge. More practical applications based on solving real world problems.
• I would love to have some practical, hands-on classes to feel more prepared to transition from my degree program to the workplace (specifically in the psychology and linguistics departments).
• Implementing a system whereby students get more chances to bond with their classmates - instead of seeing new faces in each course in each semester, there will be a system where all the for example 2015 September intake in program XX will graduate together four years later.
• Incorporate practical/field experiences into every program.
• Knowing grade early, so I can improve the next exam
• Less assignments
• Less bs in REM [****] tutorial
• Less reading and fewer research papers in courses that don't really need them. I want more class dicussions and be able to write my perspectives on course materials not constantly talk about other peoples perspectives and why they're good, bad, right, wrong.
• Less readings. Excess workload creates an unhappy environment. Not much fun, just studying
• Limit group projects to once a class. Possibly never have them.
• make the chemistry classes more interesting
• Make the education experience more personalized. It's understandable that it is not easy to do this when there are over 300 students in first year classes, but at the same time, the University could be doing more to foster the drive that many people have for learning, rather than simply making students read and memorize facts that results in a loss of interest on our part.
• Make tutorials optional
• More classes focused on understanding and less on memorization based exams
• More classes that offer technical skills
• More hands on classes rather than all classed learning from a textbook
• More interactions with peer students during big lecture.
• More interactive classes. More project and group work, less alone time work.
• Provide a better understanding of how courses interact with each other
• Regarding assignments, projects, quizzes, etc. More information and guidelines on what the professors exactly expect from us.
• Regulate tutorial format. Some tutorials are run in a much better fashion than others. For example, I have a chemistry tutorial which is fantastic, and well worth the two hour commute from Richmond to Burnaby. On the other hand, my physics tutorial (my last class of that day) is the worst tutorial I've ever been a part of. However, given the fact that the marks for tutorials in that class are attendance based, I have to stick around. To be clear, the chemistry tutorial walks through problems. The physics tutorial just has us sit and try to figure out what to do while the TA's have been instructed NOT to help... PS Put a campus in Richmond : ) : ) :
• Require that courses, including online courses, include a lecture or TA/professor facilitated discussion component.
• some lectures are boring
• Stop forcing students into groups with international students who never do any work or answer emails.
• That one thing would probably be offering more varied engineering programs. This is the reason why I am considering transferring out.
• the consumer behaviour class
• The most important thing that SFU can do to improve my experience is to open educational programs that provide knowledge and skill-sets that are truly connected to the real world. Throughout my experience of studying at SFU, I have always been only studying out-dated or soon-to-be-outdated information and knowledge, these sets of knowledge are so out-of-date that I always need to search for solutions outside of school.
• There is so much I would............. 1. how the materials are taught in classes
• To have less emphasis on traditional learning methods, e.g. mid terms/finals, unnecessarily long papers.
• To make the education more practical, helping students to be able to apply what they have learned in real life situations.
• Useful and interesting classes

Food
• - Better, cheaper food options - Better cell and wifi reception in all parts of campus (many dead spots) - More events that allow students to meet - More events that allow students to know what there is to do at school - Easier access to sports games - More advertising and promotion
• Add mcdonalds
• Better food
• better food on campus -better stocked library (both subscriptions to online journals and in print) - more parking -more quiet study space
• cheaper food options
• cheaper food options at the Burnaby campus.
• Food options at Burnaby Campus! It would be nice if they opened later. Also, transit could be better. The 145 should come more often.
• Food: choices, pricings and locations
• free food at Surrey Campus Mezzanine during our ten minute class intervals
• Have a Five Guys opened up
• Have more food choices on campus
• Have more food options on campus that are not over-priced.
• Have more microwaves!
• Have more vegan options on campus and a better awareness of animal suffering and health risks associated with the food options available.
• Include more microwaves in the AQ.
• Make the food cheaper haha
• More cheaper food options.
• more eating options
• More food options and longer gym and library hours.
• More Food options, study/lunch area
• More food vendors
• More food.
• More Mackenzie cafes around SFU. Mackenzie cafe provides students with many different options for food as well as study spaces. There's one in the AQ but there should be one by the Library and one in Mackenzie.
• More options for cheaper food.
• Open a McDonald's on campus.
• Provide more microwaves and kettles to encourage people to bring food from home.
• The prices are too high for food. Lower them please.

Computing/Technical Facilities
• As a psychology student, I would like to see more funding going into keeping the psychology labs up to date, in regards to the computers and equipment we use.
• Better quality of lectures. Some teachers don't use microphones and it is difficult to hear at times.
• Better seating and studying area with laptop plug available. Often time I find that the table in many places around the campus to be too low (causing neck pain) or the seats to be too hard (soreness after sitting too long). I feel that there should be better ergonomic design for study area. This will encourage better studying and less neck pain.
• Cell service and wifi is terrible in most parts of campus
• Easier access to wifi. It takes me a five minutes to connect to the internet every time I open my computer. Is there already an easier way to do this that I don't know about?
• Have better wifi everywhere
• I would like more outlets in the older parts of SFU for studying or taking notes with my laptop.
• I would love if the seats in the lecture hall at Burnaby had a place to charge your laptop, like how they have at the Surrey Campus.
• Install more outlets at various study areas.
• more computer and new instruments for the engineering labs
• More outlets available in lecture halls
• More outlets on Burnaby Campus. More heaters and walkways so we don't have to walk outside in the cold to get from the AQ to west mall. Free parking areas!!!!
• More quiet study areas w/ power outlets scattered around everywhere
• More study areas on campus with power outlets. Everywhere that fits these criteria is full on normal days in the fall/spring semesters at a normal time.
• More study spaces with power outlets ie the booths in mack cafe
• Power outlets by each seat in classrooms
• That is to strengthen the wifi signal in ASB and AQ
• To have cell phone service as a lot of buildings don't give you any service such as Blusson Hall and the tutorial rooms in SWH (Saywell Hall - 10000's)
• Upgrade engineering labs
Bookstore/Textbooks
- Bookstore’s worker attitude
- Cheaper books
- Cheaper school supplies (ie. books)
- Decrease cost of textbooks. Many of them are outrageously expensive.
- Free textbooks
- Lower class materials costs (textbooks, iclickers, etc)
- Lower the price of textbooks.
- Make it easier for students to have access to inexpensive textbooks.
- Make textbooks cheaper.
- Make textbooks from the book store more affordable
- Reduce the cost or the obligatoryness of certain course materials that are dispensable. I bought the i-clicker for about $65 and used it for only one course, that money could have gone toward tuition or books. I know that it is a modern tool but it’s not crucial for learning.
- Stop charging so much for textbooks and have new editions for textbooks. Should have different professors use the same textbook for the same course.
- Textbook prices are too high, and many textbooks don’t even have used copies
- The prices of the textbook.
- To improve SFU’s experience, the prices of materials such as books, hoodies, equipment etc from the bookstore should be lowered.

Residence (Including Dining Hall)
- Better mattresses
- Build more residence on campus for a better community experience. This would not only benefit students, but also the school’s income. This would create a much better atmosphere and school spirit
- Downtown residence.
- Get more people living on residence and make it so the party rules aren’t so strict. I understand there is a certain amount of responsibility that students must have, but rules should be more lenient on Friday or Saturday; or at least one of those days.
- Have more options in terms of food given in the dining hall.
- I had an awful res experience in my second year due to lack of proper maintenance of the buildings. Dealing with those issues would be ideal.
- Maintenance and repairs on residences and campus
- Modernize the dorms
- More diverse dining service. Dining hall provides very limited kinds of eating options, we want to have Chinese food, Indian food, Thai food, Korean food etc. because student population is so diverse, how can we not have food diversity on campus. May be let more business in ?
- More on campus housing that is actually cheap
- More options for first year res
- More residence activities between the towers
- More varieties in the dining hall such as soup and meat (beef).
- Offer more residences and better building
- Residence

Advising
- Better academic advising so students ensure they are fully aware of appropriate courses to fill WQB requirements. For instance, it would have saved me money and valuable contingency time during my degree had I been informed before completing two B-Sci and one Q course that the Astronomy Physics course (190, I believe) covered both a Sci and a Q credit.
- Better student advisors.
- Encourage student advising more strongly so that new students have a good grasp of what they need to do to achieve their specific academic goal
- Have a better [****] advisor and more communication between employees when it comes to transfer credits and application processes.
- Have the advisors be faculty members.
- It would be great if they would have more advisors and if those advisers could be a lot more general because I struggle with what I have to do next and what I'm supposed to do etc.
- More accessible for help (eg. advising)
- More efficient advisors. Coming in with questions and being told to google something is not particularly beneficial.
- More services towards helping graduation planning - clearer ways to plan courses, indications of which courses can be transferred between departments, better training for the advisors in such areas (I have been told many times that nobody can help me plan my degree but that does make it kind of difficult doesn't it)
- More support surrounding graduation requirements. I received a resounding "go to the website" answer when I went for academic advising support. Which is fine, it is just that I was wasting their time.
- One on one scheduled academic overview counselling.
- Provide me with a better understanding of how to access academic advising when I don't have a major.
- talk to career advisor and apply coop program which will give me a great opportunity to improve myself and get more inspiration from others.
- The advising transcripts available through the SIS aren't very helpful when it comes to trying to planning out your degree. It would be helpful to have something like "Degree Navigator" like UBC where you select your intended major, it and lists all the requirements and whether or not you have completed them. It would also help if it told you whether or not you have met your WQB credits.

**Grading Scale**

- Change the 4.33 grading scheme to make it on par with other universities. This scheme disadvantages us when applying for graduate schools.
- Change the grading system to percentages and to a 4.0 scale. Law schools and grad schools are already competitive enough as it is. Having a decrease in grades as you apply is not a fun experience and should be changed.
- consolidate the grade percentages across departments. ie: B- starts at __%, etc
- Focus less on standardized testing and curriculum?
- for the classes to not be on a curve.
- get rid of the curve.
- I do not believe the grading system for SFU is necessary. I strongly wish that SFU would change it's grading system where a students grade, is what they earn and not increasing or decreasing their grades based on others. This system causes a lot of stress on many others such as myself. It would be a relief if that was changes. Thank you very much for taking other students interests into consideration.
- It seems like when I take courses outside of linguistics, the grading is much easier and the amount of work required to do well in them is lower.
- Lenient grading policy. Institutions should focus more on imparting knowledge rather than running for grades.
- Not curve the grade in some faculty it's unfair
- stop curving exams

**SFU Online**

- A better organized and more clear "plan your degree" system. The website compared to other universities in Canada is outdated and confusing.
- An easier website to browse through and find information
- Better servers for canvas and SIS
Better way to organize all homework/readings into one place. Some profs don't use canvas and some assignments aren't even on it.

I wish there was a better website that ACTUALLY had updated information. When I click on various departments sections of the website, or even event pages, SO many of them are years outdated! It makes it hard to keep up on events and happenings at the university.

Improvement for the websites. I would say the website for SFSS is quite good and up to date. But one thing to improve is the SFSS Go, which is the club portal. I am not sure if it is the problem of my computer or what, the left column is tilted to one side. It would be nice if you could do something about that.

It would be nice to have obligational canvas pages for all courses. Right now only some profs do it but it really helps getting work structured so it would be nice to have centralized access to course information there

Make clearer the Facebook pages and groups that there are to join so we can get updates of events

Merge all of the online things into one. At the moment, I am using SFU SIS, Canvas, My IT Lab, Wiley PLUS, and Macmillan Launchpad.

update and renew the IT services, such as the websites, more frequently

Class Size

• Bring back smaller tutorials that focus on thoughtful discussion.
• Have smaller class sizes, or at least more interactive tutorials. Huge lecture halls are really not my thing!
• Make the classes smaller and more engaging
• offer more seminar classes. most psychology courses are classes of at least 200 people each, which makes it impossible to really get to know an instructor and vice versa. there are only very few (5or so) seminar courses one can take and for those a high GPA is even a prerequisite, which really shouldnt be the case!
• Reduce class size and ensure timely feedback on academic work.
• Smaller class sizes
• Smaller class sizes so profs can get to know their students better. Also, raising awareness about post-graduate programs and valuable work/volunteer opportunities for students related to their major.
• Smaller classes

Workload/Difficulty

• It is too hard to get a nice grade.
• Even taking 4 courses can sometimes be way too demanding, especially when trying to juggle work and volunteering. It would be great if classes could be even slightly less intense.
• Making the exams more easier
• Not be so hard
• Reduce academic difficulty.
• The standardization of overall class difficulty seems nonexistent. Depending on the professor / TA you get for the course, you can either receive an impossibly hard class or an easy one. If you get a professor that gives hard tests and a strict marking TA it’s unfairly difficult when compared to your friend who is in the other section and you look at their quizzes that much shorter and less difficult. Your grade is almost more based on your professor / TA than your actually knowledge.
• very hard marking

WQB Requirements

• I wish there was more opportunity to take relevant courses outside of my major, as a part of my degree. I learn things in these courses that make me better at seeing holes in my own discipline.
• Please don't force me to waste money taking breadth requirements - none that I have taken have "broadened" my horizons in the way that this requirement wants them to. I would much rather have "credit space" left over to take courses that I am actually interested in (and not have to
make a decision to spend an extra two semesters and finish with 140 credits instead of a regular 120).

- Remove non-major/minor related requirements such as breadth-science etc.
- Remove the WQB requirements. I honestly believe it really doesn't help you any more than had you just taken a normal version of your degree like any other university offers. All it's done is bloated my planning for courses in the future, and it forces people to take courses that they have no interest in but must take none the less since it is required. I have to redo my high school math because my grades were good enough to enter into my degree program but not good enough to take any "Q" courses. I will not be allowed to graduate if I don't take a Q course because of WQB, which is utterly ridiculous in my mind as I have no interest in any Q courses nor does my future prospects require it, but SFU does require it for me to go past third term.
- The WQB requirements are ridiculous, scrapping or modifying it would be a service to the students of the future.

**Other**

- administration (not profs) need to be more personable.
- Be more cohesive
- Expand on scale
- Female intramural sports leagues.
- I wish SFU would realize that most students are not able to dedicate their entire life to SFU and studying through their academic life. Most students have to work, deal with family matters, and deal with other life events on top of school. I feel like there are so many professors and SFU events/services that just expect students to have all the time to dedicate just to school.
- if it was quieter outside at night that'd be awesome
- Make new students feel more comfortable and have some things with courses be less confusing
- More friendly and approachable staff who are able to help students
- More value for the amount of tuition and fees I pay... the amount of student loans I have... and not even close to graduating...
- PROFESSIONAL
- Segregating faculties with their own separate merchandise sounds cool. (eg. one specific faculty gets a 'red' theme, another will get a 'blue' theme)
- SFU could enhance the ability of self-control for study
- SFU has a very rich research environment, and lots of high-level work is being done. It would be wonderful to see this displayed more, especially to encourage undergraduates who may not know what future work in academia would look like
- standards
- Take better care of the satellite campuses, Burnaby is unfairly given greater privileges.
- The University definitely needs more Attention and Budget by the government. Old buildings, library and classes are only some minor examples of this huge issue. A University with this huge potential, should not let their TA's to strike for about 6 months and Play with the destiny of the students. As a result, I am really disappointed with the way that this University is managed.
- Ultimate frisbee practices should be right after school, around 5pm

**No Suggestion**

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- At the moment, there is nothing about SFU that needs improvement.
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- everything has been really great so far!
- Honestly, I can't think of anything
- I cannot think of anything that needs to be improved.
- I personally don't have any problems, so everything is all good for now.
- If I had the money and the opportunity I would have traveled more across BC. I would have worked in more labs.
- It's totally fine fine for me now.
- N/A
- N/A
- no comment
- Nothing
- Nothing!
- sfu done a great job