## Resources - International Graduate Students

### Before you arrive...

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<td>□ Read about your medical insurance coverage while at SFU. <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/medical-insurance/graduate-students.html">www.sfu.ca/medical-insurance/graduate-students.html</a></td>
<td>□ Moving into Residence? <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/residences/new.html">www.sfu.ca/students/residences/new.html</a></td>
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<td>□ Read about immigration requirements while you study in Canada. <a href="https://www.sfu.ca/students/isap/new/before-arriving.html">https://www.sfu.ca/students/isap/new/before-arriving.html</a></td>
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### In your first week after arriving...

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<td>□ Sign up for the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP) <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/medical-insurance.html">http://www.sfu.ca/medical-insurance.html</a></td>
<td>□ Buy your textbooks [if applicable] <a href="http://sfu.collegestoreonline.com/">sfu.collegestoreonline.com/</a></td>
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<td>□ Have your photo taken for your SFU ID card <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/contact.html">www.sfu.ca/students/contact.html</a></td>
<td>□ Thinking of adding/dropping courses? Find out the deadlines before you do <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/current/important_dates/guidelines.html">www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/current/important_dates/guidelines.html</a></td>
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<td>□ Pick up your Compass Card and load the U-Pass BC onto it <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/upass.html">www.sfu.ca/students/upass.html</a></td>
<td>□ Open a bank account <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/isap/finances/banking.html">www.sfu.ca/students/isap/finances/banking.html</a></td>
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<td>The U-Pass program provides unlimited, all zone access to public transit in Metro Vancouver including TransLink bus, SkyTrain and SeaBus services and a discount on West Coast Express Train fares.</td>
<td>□ Familiarize yourself with academic terminology <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/advising-resources/university-glossary.html">www.sfu.ca/students/advising-resources/university-glossary.html</a></td>
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<td>□ Planning to work on or off campus? Apply for a Social Insurance Number (SIN) <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/isap/resources.html">www.sfu.ca/students/isap/resources.html</a></td>
<td>□ Get a parking pass <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/parking.html">www.sfu.ca/parking.html</a></td>
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<td>□ Pay your fees <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/fees/howtopay.html">www.sfu.ca/students/fees/howtopay.html</a></td>
<td>□ Check services at Simon Fraser Graduate Student Society (GSS) <a href="http://sfugradsociety.ca/">sfugradsociety.ca/</a></td>
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<td>□ Find helpful resources on the ISAP website for current students <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/students/isap/current.html">www.sfu.ca/students/isap/current.html</a></td>
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In your first month...

**Suggested:**
- Check out the FREE Recreation facilities you can access with your SFU ID card
  [www.sfu.ca/programs/athletics-recreation.html](http://www.sfu.ca/programs/athletics-recreation.html)
- Explore SFU’s library services
  [www.lib.sfu.ca](http://www.lib.sfu.ca)
- Check out the Research Commons
  [www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons)
- Connect with your grad community
  [www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/new_graduate_students/when_you_arrive/engage-community.html](http://www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/new_graduate_students/when_you_arrive/engage-community.html)
- Apply for a BC ID card to carry as identification

**Important Dates**

- Academic Dates
  [www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/2016/fall/academic-dates/2016.html](http://www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/2016/fall/academic-dates/2016.html)
- Deadlines
  [www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/current/important-dates/guidelines.html](http://www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies/current/important-dates/guidelines.html)
- Statutory Holidays

**Emergency Contacts**

Emergency assistance is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, at each of our campuses:

- **Burnaby Campus**
  778.782.4500
- **Vancouver Campus**
  778.782.5252
- **Surrey Campus**
  778.782.7511
- **Goldcorp Centre**
  778.782.6649

[http://www.sfu.ca/srs/emergency-contact.html](http://www.sfu.ca/srs/emergency-contact.html)

**Off Campus [Police, Fire, Ambulance]** 911

**Off Campus Resources and Services**

- **BC Medical Services Plan (MSP)**
  [http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/msp](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/msp)
- **Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada**
- **GSS Benefit Plan**
  [www.studentcare.ca](http://www.studentcare.ca)
- **Tourism Vancouver Information**
  [www.tourismvancouver.com](http://www.tourismvancouver.com)
- **TRAC Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre**
  [http://tenants.bc.ca/](http://tenants.bc.ca/)
- **Translink**
  [www.translink.ca](http://www.translink.ca)

**On Campus Resources and Services**

- **Campus Security**
  [www.sfu.ca/srs/security.html](http://www.sfu.ca/srs/security.html)
- **Centre for Students with Disabilities**
  [www.sfu.ca/students/disabilityaccess/](http://www.sfu.ca/students/disabilityaccess/)
- **Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Fellows**
  [www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies.html](http://www.sfu.ca/dean-gradstudies.html)
- **Health & Counselling Services**
  [www.sfu.ca/students/health/](http://www.sfu.ca/students/health/)
- **Interfaith Centre**
  [www.sfu.ca/students/interfaith](http://www.sfu.ca/students/interfaith)
- **Student Services, Registrar & Information Services**
  [www.sfu.ca/students.html](http://www.sfu.ca/students.html)