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Is SFU-Exeter Accelerated Law for you?

Through this dual degree program, you will earn a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree from SFU and a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree from the University of Exeter in the United Kingdom.

Traditional law school routes typically take at least seven years to finish, but often longer. In just six years, you can graduate from this program and be prepared to enter your legal profession—maximizing your earning potential—all without having to take the LSAT.

Start the first two years of your academic journey at SFU by choosing your major from one of 16 study areas in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. You will then move to England for three years before returning to Canada for your final year.

There are many exclusive benefits as part of this program. You will receive assistance preparing to move abroad, help navigating the UK's student visa application process, a guaranteed spot in university-run housing during your first year in the UK, 20% tuition discount at Exeter, as well as advising and professional support from both institutions throughout the duration of the program.

Shaliza

Canadian student studying LLB Law at the University of Exeter

I picked Exeter as I wanted a university that had a great reputation internationally, embodied a sense of community, and would make my time away from my friends and family back home easier—because everyone knows time flies when you're having fun!

What you will learn

- General principles of ethics and professionalism in law: legal ethics; relevant legislation, regulations, rules of professional conduct, case law
- Administrative law including: delegation and consultation; procedural fairness; administrative tribunals
- Understanding of public law principles in Canada, including their inter-relationships with an application in relation to Indigenous peoples
- Practical experience through mooting, pro bono work, study tours, and work placements

Career opportunities

This program leads you to a career in law in both Canada and the UK, which significantly enhances your job prospects on both sides of the Atlantic.

The courses you will take during your final year of the program will help you pass the accreditation exams, and you will be qualified to practice law in Canada following the articling and bar admission process.



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ANTHROPOLOGY

Is Anthropology for you?

If you are interested in people—their lives, communities, values, realities, conflicts, and aspirations—then studying Anthropology at SFU offers you ways of making sense of social life in all its complexity. Develop a flexibility of mind that allows you to think about people's interactions in new ways and imagine alternate social possibilities.

Anthropology aims to communicate across boundaries of countries, histories, languages, cultures, social inequalities, and power differences. In an Anthropology course, you might be asked to think about Wall Street bankers in New York, mushroom foragers in China, or trans sex workers in Brazil.

As the study of humanity in all its diversity, Anthropology provides a global perspective that will enable you to understand the world as it is, while sparking your imagination with fresh ideas for how to change it.

What you will learn

- Cross-cultural knowledge and global perspectives
- Critical thinking and self-awareness to become better team players with strong communication skills
- Research skills involving long-term, immersive field work
- Writing skills that include detailed note taking, storytelling, critical analysis and argumentation
- Insight to identifying inequalities and creating strategies for systemic change

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Museum curator
- Journalist
- Market researcher
- Social worker
- Human rights lawyer
- Public health researcher
- Educator
- International development worker

Kirsten Henderson

MAJOR: ANTHROPOLOGY HONOURS

Studying Anthropology at SFU was a privilege and a life-changing experience. I had the opportunity to work with a stellar student body and many talented professors—who mentored and helped me hone my ability to think beyond the normative, and to critically analyze my positionality. This program has set me up to critically engage with and be curious about unfolding humanitarian issues in local and global contexts.



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COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Is Cognitive Science for you?

Cognitive Science is the study of the mind and its processes including consciousness, language, learning, information processing, and decision making. At SFU, this is explored at the intersection of linguistics, psychology, computing science, and philosophy.

We offer you the unique opportunity to undertake a Cognitive Science degree at the undergraduate level and participate in research with our faculty members. Such collaborative mentor relationships have produced highly skilled and well-regarded graduates, many of whom have published research by the end of their undergraduate degree.

By studying Cognitive Science, you develop an approach to learning that is robust and informed. Tailor your interdisciplinary program according to your interests by choosing concentrations from a range of elective courses. The program suits self-directed students and those interested in expanding their curiosity in multiple areas while exploring the relationships between them.

What you will learn

- Effective communication and interpersonal skills
- Critical research and evaluative skills
- Understanding of computer programming and the nature of human-computer interaction
- Application of problem-solving and analytical skills in a variety of situations
- Topics such as perception and attention, the nature of consciousness, computer models for intelligent systems, rules and logic, and the philosophy of the mind

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Artificial intelligence programmer
- Neuroscientist
- Psychologist
- Software developer
- Systems analyst
- UX designer

Zoe Stanley

MAJOR: COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Studying Cognitive Science allowed me to explore a wide range of my interests through an interdisciplinary lens—something I'd worried I might miss in university. I've had the chance to learn from incredible faculty tackling complex, real-world problems, and was inspired to pursue research interests and career paths I hadn't even known about.



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CRIMINOLOGY

Is Criminology for you?

Criminology is a fascinating interdisciplinary field that studies crime as an individual and social phenomenon. It examines how behaviour comes to be defined as criminal, why it happens, and explores how society and governments react to it.

We offer several exciting and dynamic undergraduate programs. Students can complete a major, a major with honours or a minor in Criminology, and minors in legal and police studies. We also offer diplomas and certificates in criminology, forensic, legal, police, and correctional studies.

Our program provides theoretical and practical coursework, allowing students to gain a broad education in all aspects of criminology, or focus on a specific area such as law, policing or corrections.

If you are curious about the complexities of criminal, delinquent and deviant behaviour and you seek to develop a critical and focused mind, then this program could be just what you are looking for.

What you will learn

- Ability to describe and apply the merits of historical and contemporary approaches to crime
- Research skills gained from describing and assessing various research strategies
- Critical and creative thinking skills gained from identifying assumptions and complexities through analysis of information
- Knowledge of how to describe and critique the Canadian legal system

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Crime scene investigator
- Corrections officer
- Cybercrime analyst
- Notary public/paralegal
- Police officer
- Policy analyst
- Victim and witness advocate

Joeun Chong

MAJOR: CRIMINOLOGY HONOURS

MINOR: COUNSELLING AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The breadth and diversity of topics offered in criminology stand out. It's a program where I could explore from forensics to cybercrime to law, and each course felt relevant and eye-opening. There were also so many opportunities to grow both academically and professionally, which have helped me succeed in ways I hadn't imagined.



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Is Economics for you?

Why are some countries rich and some countries poor? How will rental restrictions affect the housing market? How can people make better decisions? These are the types of questions economists try to answer.

Economics is the study of how individuals, businesses, governments, and societies behave. It combines social science observation with a mathematical and statistical skill set that is in high demand from employers. In economics you will learn to think in a disciplined, rigorous way about the issues facing our world.

Economists use data analysis to answer questions in a wide range of settings, from business and finance to government to environmental problems like climate change.

You will gain an in-depth understanding of real-world phenomena such as inflation and unemployment numbers. Learn how people behave when they are facing constraints or scarcity, and how governments and businesses can account for this.

Your knowledge of trends can also help to predict the future.

What you will learn

- How people and firms make decisions
- How decisions and economic institutions determine market outcomes
- How government policies like tariffs impact individuals and societies
- How to analyze and interpret economic models
- How to use economic and mathematical concepts to think critically
- How to use statistical software like R and Python

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Business analyst
- Data analyst
- Economist
- Financial advisor
- Market research analyst
- Policy analyst

Ana Mayorca Alzate

MAJOR: ECONOMICS

MINOR: SOCIAL DATA ANALYTICS

My Economics degree equipped me with the necessary tools to understand and navigate our complex world. It taught me how to bridge abstract theories and models with practical applications, giving me a decision-making mindset that considers diverse perspectives and their implications when evaluating any problem.



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ENGLISH

Is English for you?

Information bombards you every moment of every day in this fast-changing world. By studying English, you can develop the critical lens you need to see through it all.

By reading and examining a wide range of literature, you gain insight into diverse perspectives on issues and ideas. Imagine what you could discover through Indigenous literatures, eco-poetry, media culture, and much more. You will also discover how to convey your own ideas effectively through creative writing and essays.

As an SFU English student, you will be learning from award-winning faculty all while reading and writing about texts including fiction, essays, poetry, critical theory, and drama.

You will work alongside insatiably curious, intelligent students who see things in language that most people miss and do things with language that most people didn't know could be done.

What you will learn

- Advanced reading, writing, and editing skills
- Critical thinking skills by reading and evaluating literature across a range of genres and media
- Comprehensive research and analytical methods by studying texts, evaluating complex ideas, and formulating relevant questions
- Communication skills and creative thinking developed through a sustained engagement with imaginative literature

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Author/writer
- Communications coordinator
- Educator
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Public relations specialist

Nimrit Basra

MAJOR: ENGLISH

MINOR: CRIMINOLOGY

EXT MINOR: GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

CERTIFICATE: LEGAL STUDIES

The English program provided me with a strong foundation for my future endeavours. The professors encouraged me to explore diverse literary fields and critically examine the role of language and discourse in society, helping me discover my passions. I am also grateful for the lifelong friendships and memories I've gained through the program!



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FRENCH

Is French for you?

Whether you are pursuing a degree in French or taking just a few courses in language, linguistics, literature or culture, studying in SFU's Department of French offers you a range of possibilities.

Innovative teaching techniques such as interactive language classes, online and blended courses, and explorations of mass media and social media can bring your French to a polished and professional level.

Our French program is the only one in Western Canada to offer a combination of French/French Canadian/Francophonie literatures and linguistics, with beginner and advanced language classes, composition, and conversation courses.

Students can benefit from accessing teaching assistant programs in Quebec and France, co-op work placements, exchanges in Europe and Quebec, and a variety of French language bursaries and awards.

What you will learn

- Comprehension, production, and analysis of oral and written French
- Proficiency of argumentative writing in French
- Practical competencies in communication and intercultural relations
- In-depth knowledge of and familiarity with processes in the acquisition of cultural literacy
- Understanding and explaining cultural, social and political issues in the modern Francophone world

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- French language instructor
- Interpreter/translator
- Journalist
- Legislative assistant
- Marketing coordinator
- Voice-over artist

Mina-Marie Louvat

MAJOR: FRENCH

MINOR: INDIGENOUS STUDIES

The French program provides an excellent environment for academic and personal growth. The smaller class sizes allowed me to engage meaningfully with my peers, while the professors and advisors consistently offered strong support throughout my studies.



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FRENCH COHORT PROGRAM IN PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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FRENCH COHORT PROGRAM

Is the French Cohort Program for you?

The French Cohort Program (FCP), a multidisciplinary program taught primarily in French, includes courses in a variety of disciplines: political science, international relations, history, Indigenous studies, French language, linguistics, and Francophone literatures and cultures. The FCP offers a personalized, engaging, and supportive academic experience from the very first day, including:

- An exchange program to Quebec or Europe
- Engaged professors committed to your success
- Cohort learning
- French language support and a dedicated academic advisor
- Bursaries and awards: up to \$15,000
- Complementary activities in French (festivals, trips, and more)
- Numerous opportunities for bilingual student employment and involvement in local projects

What you will learn

- A deep understanding of politics in Canada and globally
- The ability to analyze political movements, policies, and issues
- Strong critical thinking and logical reasoning skills
- Communicating clearly, both in presenting data and conveying ideas
- A solid foundation in historical perspectives
- Professional fluency in both French and English

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.*

- Political advisor and consultant
- Journalist
- Communications and PR advisor
- Immigration officer
- Policy analyst
- Project manager
- Teacher*
- Lawyer*

Benjamin Étienne

French Cohort Program in Public and International Affairs

MAJOR: POLITICAL SCIENCE

MINOR: FRENCH

I enrolled in the French Cohort Program because it allowed me to study political science and better manifest my Francophonie. I really felt cared for throughout my time at SFU; they were very proactive in advising me. Since graduating, I stand out from other candidates because my degree is bilingual.



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GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

Is Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies for you?

Curious about how gender and sexuality impact society? Concerned about issues of equity, diversity, and inclusion?

Learn how social movements and political activism can change the world in this interdisciplinary field of study. You will evaluate how ideas about gender shape institutions, popular culture, and social policies as well as how gender intersects with categories of race, ethnicity, class, gender identity, sexuality, and/or disability. Our interdisciplinary degree programs offer courses in a wide range of subject areas in the social sciences, humanities, natural and applied sciences, medical humanities as well as arts, culture and media.

As the first women's studies program in Canada, we aim to bring feminist, queer, and intersectional understandings to the analysis of power and how it operates locally and transnationally. We continue to build an interdisciplinary environment that nurtures and promotes critical research and scholarship, engaged teaching, and meaningful community service.

What you will learn

- Disciplinary knowledge of core concepts of gender and sexuality
- Communication skills from delivering written statements and well-rounded opinion pieces and papers
- Information management skills from performing comparative surveys and critical examinations on course topics
- Critical analysis and application of interdisciplinary approaches to gender and sexuality
- Skills in project design, field work, and data analysis from experiential and project-based learning opportunities

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Equity officer
- Counsellor/therapist
- Crisis worker
- Human rights advocate
- Journalist
- Social policy specialist

Erika De Torres

JOINT MAJOR: GSWS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Doing a joint degree with the Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies department was a highlight of my time at SFU. The professors and the entire department are so supportive and I learned so much that I continue to use today in my career working in civic engagement.



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GERONTOLOGY

Is Gerontology for you?

As the older adult population grows, the demand for aging professionals increases. Our undergraduate gerontology program provides a specialized pathway for students interested in the aging process and careers serving older adults. The program provides critical skills to complement your studies and open doors to careers in aging services.

Learn from internationally renowned faculty members with expertise in social and health sciences, and environmental gerontology.

The Gerontology minor adds a specialization in aging to your degree. Through diverse courses, you will explore how aging impacts individuals, families, and communities.

For students with a bachelor's degree in any discipline, the post-baccalaureate diploma provides in-depth aging knowledge and includes 260 hours of practicum experience. It is ideal for professionals seeking career advancement or a new path in aging services.

What you will learn

- Topics such as health promotion, aging and the built environment, prevention of elder abuse, technology and aging, and the sociology of aging
- Quantitative and qualitative research skills
- A deeper understanding of how innovations in housing, support services, and technology can support Canada's rapidly-growing aging population

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Care facility administrator
- Health region specialist
- Occupational therapist
- Public health agency coordinator
- Senior centre worker

Dena Sananin

MAJOR: PSYCHOLOGY
MINOR: GERONTOLOGY

The Gerontology program at SFU has inspired and fascinated me. Each course taken during my undergrad, regardless of the discipline, can be understood through a gerontological lens. In this way, Gerontology has informed my worldview. I am very enthusiastic about continuing studies within the field and contributing to positive experiences for people as we age.



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GLOBAL ASIA

Is Global Asia for you?

Discover the global story of Asian people, places, ideas, and cultures. This interdisciplinary minor explores topics like migration, imperialism, decolonization, identity, indigeneity, cultural representation, political activism, and environmental change from a transnational and social justice perspective grounded in SFU's Lower Mainland location. Courses highlight the diverse experiences of Asian and Asian diasporic peoples as they navigate complex societies shaped by globalization and inequality.

Designed to complement any major, the program prepares you to engage with pressing global issues as they manifest in Asia and beyond. Learn a new Asian language or build on the linguistic skills you already possess. With access to courses from 12 disciplines and study abroad opportunities. The Global Asia minor offers both depth and flexibility.

Whether your interests are academic, professional, or personal, the Global Asia minor will prepare you for success in an increasingly interconnected world.

What you will learn

- Topics like migration, imperialism, cultural representation, and globalization
- Critical thinking and intercultural communication skills
- A social justice perspective on global challenges and their local ramifications.
- An Asian language such as Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, or Punjabi
- An international perspective from study abroad opportunities across Asia in countries like Japan, South Korea, and Thailand

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- International trade analyst
- Policy consultant (government or NGO)
- Community health worker
- Media and communications specialist
- Cross-cultural educational consultant

Kelly Ma

MAJOR: BUSINESS
MINOR: GLOBAL ASIA

SFU's Global Asia program is a fascinating opportunity to explore the cultures and dynamics of Asian countries. I enrolled in the program to explore my Chinese heritage. I learned so much about my culture and many others. The program completely transformed the way I look at the complex histories of Asia.



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GLOBAL HUMANITIES

Is Global Humanities for you?

Are you intellectually curious and eager to understand the increasingly complex world we live in? In Global Humanities, you will engage with fundamental questions that shape the human and natural world, immerse yourself in the cultures, texts, and ideas of people both foreign and familiar, and discover why it matters to think deeply, creatively, and empathetically about the world.

You will learn to evaluate knowledge, pose questions, subject ideas to critical scrutiny, address concerns central to the human experience, and envision different futures. Tackling problems through different disciplinary approaches will help you think outside the box.

The study of the human condition—the core of what we do—knows no bounds. Thus, our reach is global and stretches from antiquity to today.

Our faculty includes experts in a range of fields: Eastern and Western religions, Chinese cultural studies, Renaissance humanism, Hellenic studies, migration, art history, modern literature and film, and environmental humanities.

Olivia Finlayson

MAJOR: GLOBAL HUMANITIES

CONCENTRATION: ART AND MATERIAL CULTURE

SFU's Global Humanities program is incredibly rewarding. I find myself entrenched in unexplored topics; discussing art, literature, and film in entirely new contexts. I will take the passion I've found for new modes of knowledge and ways of thinking into a career in library sciences, where I can assist others while furthering my own learning.

What you will learn

- Comprehensive writing and research skills through analysis of literature, media, historical documents and speeches
- Interpersonal skills from collaborative working relations with diverse groups of people
- Communication skills from presenting theories and ideas
- Extensive knowledge of social impacts of religion, politics, art and culture in different time periods
- Critical thinking skills and the ability to be creative and innovative in identifying solutions

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Arts program curator
- Editor
- Educator
- Historian
- Humanitarian aid worker
- Legal counsel
- Librarian



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HISTORY

Is History for you?

Ever wondered, “How did we get here?”

Historians ask—and answer—this question by exploring the stories of people, from the marginalized to the powerful. At SFU, studying history means understanding how societies change by examining everything that humanity does: politics, work, social movements, science, sexuality, and beyond.

Our courses open your mind to the richness of the human experience across time and cultures while equipping you with critical thinking, research, and persuasive communication skills. You will tackle major research projects, discuss complex issues with peers, and develop the analytical tools to navigate today's challenging world.

With flexible program options, you can tailor your studies to your interests. Opportunities like paid co-op work placements and a comparative approach to regional studies enrich your learning.

SFU History prepares you to understand the past, make sense of the present, and shape the future.

What you will learn

- Regional and global histories across diverse themes like colonialism, migration, religion, revolution, and more
- Critical thinking, research, and persuasive communication skills from tackling major research projects and discussing complex issues
- A global perspective and analytical tools for understanding change
- Professional skills by pursuing co-op work placements

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Educator (K-12 & post-secondary)
- Museum curator
- Archivist / digital archivist
- Culture and heritage specialist
- Privacy and information officer
- Art historian / conservator
- Policy researcher / analyst

Nyx Forth

DOUBLE MAJOR: HISTORY AND INDIGENOUS STUDIES

Understanding why things are the way they are and the past injustices that have shaped the world we live in today have proven invaluable to me in my career working in Indigenous governance. I can't help but feel fortunate for the solid foundation that I was provided at SFU.



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INDIGENOUS STUDIES

Is Indigenous Studies for you?

We are committed to honouring Indigenous Peoples, Lands, and Ways of Knowing by cultivating transformative change, decolonizing systems, and uplifting Indigenous stories and joy.

Our programs are created with all students in mind, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous. Students become part of the process of creating a solid foundation in the study of critical Indigenous studies through various interdisciplinary approaches as taught by our dedicated faculty.

Rooted in Indigenous ways of knowing and practice, students will have the opportunity to study governance, land rights, identity, and the arts and sciences through an Indigenous lens. Through these diverse learning experiences, students will have the opportunity to engage in activist research, creative production, and community engagement.

Students will become empowered to be future scholars, leaders, and citizens, who hold the knowledge for transformative change through decolonizing systems and building authentic reconciliation endeavours.

What you will learn

- Indigenous knowledge(s): Indigenous logic, practice, and theory
- Indigenous perspectives: Connects academic rigor with Indigenous perspectives
- Colonial issues: The study of colonial issues impacting Indigenous Peoples from a variety of interdisciplinary approaches
- Indigenous research methodologies: Differentiates and challenges western academic approaches to research and colonial assumptions
- Transformative change and empowerment: Commitment to reconciliation through decolonization and Indigenization, creating space for all Indigenous voices and ways of knowing

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Indigenous governance
- Inter government relations
- Law, human rights, and justice
- Public administration and civil service
- Creative arts and literature
- Resource management

Hannah Big Canoe

DOUBLE MINOR: INDIGENOUS STUDIES,
CREATIVE WRITING

I was able to create a university experience that I care about. The advisor showed me that I had already completed many of the requirements for an Indigenous Studies minor, just by taking elective courses I enjoyed.



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From climate change and armed conflict to poverty and global migration, SFU International Studies brings an interdisciplinary lens to understanding the political, economic, and social dimensions of the world's most complex problems.

With leading scholars as professors, and a diversity of research and work opportunities, our program empowers students to connect academic theory, deep regional expertise, and practical forms of engagement. In our courses, you will explore the interconnected topics of peace and security, international development, human rights, international law, governance, and civil society. We work to ensure our graduates are well-informed, well-prepared, and well-connected to meaningfully influence knowledge, policy, and action in Canada and around the world.

What you will learn

- Research skills, digital literacy, project design, and policy analysis, to help you investigate global issues, assess policies, and develop impactful projects
- Leadership, negotiation, and collaboration to then manage teams, mediate conflicts, and build international partnerships
- Development of persuasive communication and interpersonal skills which are key for diplomacy, advocacy, and building strong professional networks
- Analytical thinking and cultural awareness, which help you navigate diverse perspectives and assess global challenges

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Foreign service officer and diplomat
- Human rights advocate
- Intelligence analyst
- International development practitioner
- Lawyer
- Policy analyst

Mariah Izabelle Merican

MAJOR: INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

MINOR: POLITICAL SCIENCE

International Studies allowed my interest in comparative politics to truly flourish and it broadened my perspective on critical issues that aligned with my strengths. The degree provided a foundation applicable to various fields, such as law, policy analysis, and social work. The possibilities are truly endless.



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Is Labour Studies for you?

We are all workers, and the world of work is changing fast. Automation and AI, climate change, the spread of gig work and precarious jobs, migration, and geopolitical conflicts—for many working-class people and communities, these disruptions are making life harder.

Workers' rights and struggles are more important than ever and there are many careers that require a deep and critical understanding of employment, labour markets, and unions. In the Labour Studies Program at SFU, you will acquire this understanding and be empowered to tackle complex issues shaping the lives of workers and the future of work.

You will take courses exploring how labour is represented in the media and how it intersects with the areas of health, race, class, and gender. We also offer a certificate in workplace rights, which introduces students to labour law, social change, and collective bargaining.

With smaller classes and an interdisciplinary faculty, you will develop a critical analysis of capitalism together with the skills and knowledge to make positive change in the workplace and beyond.

What you will learn

- Knowledge of the current debates, trends, and issues about working conditions
- Critical thinking from evaluating global developments and processes relating to labour, inequality, and class
- Quantitative and qualitative research skills
- Oral and written communication and negotiation skills from interpreting data and analyzing policies
- Teamwork and interpersonal skills from working effectively in group situations to plan, organize and implement projects

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Equity officer
- Human resources administrator
- Labour relations manager
- Lawyer
- Occupational health and safety officer
- Union representative

Olivia Seidel

MAJOR: LABOUR STUDIES

MINOR: PUBLIC POLICY

I was drawn to SFU's Labour Studies program by its interdisciplinary approach to understanding contemporary labour issues. It's been an honour to learn from such exceptional professors. I'm looking forward to applying this knowledge as a labour organizer or policy maker.



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Is Linguistics for you?

Linguistics is the scientific study of language—an important part of what makes us human. Have you ever wondered why language learning is so easy for infants, or how automatic translation and voice recognition work?

Our program introduces students to the systematic nature of language by exploring the patterns of sounds, words, sentences, and meanings in English and other languages.

Courses in linguistics explore the ways that language relates to how we socialize, how we understand or misunderstand one another, and how we interpret the world around us.

A Linguistics degree serves as a strong foundation for launching your career. We also offer a certificate in the Linguistics of Speech Science, which prepares you for graduate studies to become an audiologist or a speech therapist.

Our certificate in Teaching ESL Linguistics introduces foundational topics in English language instruction and classroom practices and includes a 30-hour practicum in ESL teaching for adults.

Kayla Koch

MAJOR: LINGUISTICS

EXTENDED MINOR: ENGLISH

CERTIFICATE: LINGUISTICS OF SPEECH SCIENCE

Linguistics is the perfect choice for anyone interested in studying language, from how we produce and understand it to the way that it functions across societies and cultures. Through SFU's program, I've taken many interesting courses, met wonderful instructors and peers, and conducted research in labs.

What you will learn

- Language structure typology skills from the many languages that exist
- Speech production/perception analysis
- AI language analysis through extensive practice in using speech and text software
- Fundamentals about research design and ethics, participant recruitment, and presentation of results
- Comparing alternative solutions to datasets and alternative theoretical models for organizing and explaining patterns
- Sociolinguistic analysis

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- AI linguist engineer
- Behavior interventionist
- Child learning and development specialist
- Endangered languages educator
- English second language teacher
- Speech language pathologist



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Is Medical Humanities and Social Sciences for you?

If you are interested in health and wellbeing—including how culture, history, ethics, and political systems shape the discipline—then studying Medical Humanities and Social Sciences at FASS may be for you. Bringing a human perspective to health, medicine, and wellbeing, students in the MHSS minor will be equipped with a holistic perspective required to thrive in healthcare professions. Learn how to respond ethically, compassionately, and thoughtfully to your patients. Gain an understanding of how a team-based and community approach to healthcare improves access and outcomes.

This interdisciplinary minor prepares you with the transferable skills such as communication, critical thinking, and cultural and social knowledge that give you a uniquely competitive edge for job opportunities or postgraduate education in health-related careers including nursing, counselling, physiotherapy, public health, and more. A perfect complement to any degree.

Theodore D. Cosco

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR; MEMBER OF MHSS STEERING COMMITTEE
SFU'S DEPARTMENT OF GERONTOLOGY AND SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

Healthcare professionals in medicine, nursing, counselling, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, optometry, and psychology need to respond to patients ethically, compassionately, and with clarity. They must also navigate complex ethical, cultural, legal, and social issues tied to health and wellbeing. MHSS gives students the broad and integrated perspective they need to meet increasing demands and to succeed in the field.

What you will learn

- The social, political, economic, and policy contexts of health and healing
- How health and wellbeing have been practiced in British Columbia
- How practitioners are trained and mobilize to combat diseases and address crises
- The relationship between health and culture to develop clinical and critical thinking skills of observation, analysis, communication, and self-reflection
- How to examine the ethical and bioethical frameworks in health policy
- How to problem solve and present ideas within a collaborative approach
- The legal framework of healthcare in Canada, and the various governing laws

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Health administration
- Health policy and advocacy
- Public health
- Medical and health communication
- Patient care navigation
- Medical practice



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Is Philosophy for you?

Studying philosophy allows you to consider some of the most fundamental questions we can pose about the nature of reality and the human condition: Who are we? How can I live a good life? Does God exist? What does justice require?

In philosophy you will confront the scope and limits of knowledge and learn to examine the processes and sources which produce it. You will examine how our moral values shape our social and political institutions, and whether they are rational.

Philosophy challenges you to engage with ideas rationally and systematically, and to approach reading and writing in a way that centers on clarity and rigor. These skills will be invaluable inside and outside the classroom, and will provide you with the necessary tools to become more thoughtful, reflective, and curious versions of yourself.

The program offers a specialized Philosophy and Law concentration, which is directly applicable to legal theory and policy courses, giving you a strong foundation for law school.

What you will learn

- Theoretical understanding of important ideologies from ancient philosophers
- Decision-making skills from application of formal methods used in philosophy, namely propositional and predicate logic
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Open-mindedness and active listening skills from defending or formulating new points of view
- Research gathering from organizing materials, analyzing complex texts, and interpreting data and relationships

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Big data researcher
- Bioethicist
- Intelligence officer
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Policy analyst

Nava Karimi

JOINT MAJOR: ENGLISH, PHILOSOPHY HONOURS
MINOR: SOCIAL DATA ANALYTICS

Studying philosophy has taught me to think critically about the world around me and has strengthened my reasoning skills. Through my classes, I've developed extremely useful tools to analyze abstract concepts and comprehend complex arguments, which I can apply in all my future endeavours.



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Is Political Science for you?

Politics profoundly impacts human societies: what we believe, how we live, and what we do. By gaining a broad and deep understanding of the complex forces that shape law and policies, dominant ideologies, the economy and international relations, you will be able to make a positive impact in Canada and around the globe.

By choosing courses from our five learning tracks, you can diversify and develop the skills and knowledge that employers value in the job market.

Learning tracks include:

- Diplomacy, Defence, and Development
- Diversity and Migration
- Justice and Law
- Public Policy and Democratic Governance
- Research Methods and Analysis

Students can travel to Europe as part of the NATO Field School and Simulation Program where they gain valuable experience and develop their skills through negotiation and decision-making simulations with mentorship from senior officials and diplomats.

Esam Al-Mohamadi

MAJOR: POLITICAL SCIENCE, HONOURS

MINOR: SOCIAL DATA ANALYTICS

SFU gave me a wide variety of experiences academically, socially, and professionally. My degree in Political Science equipped me with analytical skills that were beneficial to perform my job at the House of Commons of Canada.

What you will learn

- Data-driven oral and written communication skills
- Comprehensive research skills by gathering and organizing numerical and qualitative information from government and non-governmental databases
- Critical thinking and analytic skills developed from contemporary problems using a wide range of data and theory
- Teamwork and interpersonal skills from working effectively in group situations
- Leadership skills from identifying priorities and proper courses of action

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Campaign strategist
- Foreign service officer
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Legislative assistant
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Is Psychology for you?

Do you want to unlock the mysteries of the mind or learn to help others? If so, psychology might be for you. Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour, cognition, and emotions. We examine psychological issues at multiple levels of analysis, from the neuronal level to the societal context.

We are concerned with how people develop and change over time, how people manage relationships, how they treat each other, and how people communicate and behave. Much of the work we do is focused on understanding and improving people's mental, physical, and relational health.

Our program offers courses in history, quantitative and theoretical psychology, cognitive and neural science, developmental psychology, social psychology, law and forensic, and clinical science. We value research, and students can work closely with faculty on research projects.

Students can choose to pursue the concentration in applied behaviour analysis as part of their Psychology major, which provides practical skills for a career in supporting and treating individuals on the autism spectrum.

Marwan Saleh

MAJOR: PSYCHOLOGY

MINOR: COUNSELLING AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

I loved everyone in SFU's Psychology program and all the various opportunities that were offered to me. It was such an eye-opening experience, with so many classes introducing you to multiple perspectives.

What you will learn

- Comprehensive research and problem-solving skills from assessing different research approaches, measuring effects, and drawing conclusions from empirical evidence
- Written and oral communication skills
- Data analysis techniques and methodology
- Effective teamwork such as leading, decision-making, and contributing in various capacities

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Child life specialist
- Community worker
- Psychologist
- Rehabilitation counsellor
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- Youth outreach worker



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Is Public Policy for you?

The Public Policy minor emphasizes hands-on learning, helping students apply policy frameworks and concepts to the most pressing issues facing Canada and the World. Core courses equip students with essential knowledge and skills to address diverse challenges within society, including those surrounding public health, labour, migration, housing, economic inequality, Indigenous policy, and climate change.

This interdisciplinary program integrates courses from different subject areas, allowing students to understand how public policy intersects with multiple disciplines.

This dynamic minor prepares students for impactful careers by bridging academic knowledge with real-world policy experience. The program's capstone course also offers an immersive, hands-on learning experience where students work in collaboration with government agencies to address actual policy issues.

Throughout the program, students engage with prominent scholars and policymakers to gain insight into today's range of issues such as drug use, forced labour, human trafficking, and the environment.

Jayson Biana

MAJOR: POLITICAL SCIENCE

MINOR: PUBLIC POLICY

Through SFU's Public Policy program, I gained a new perspective on how policies shape the world around us. The practical learning and interdisciplinary approach taught me valuable practical skills that I can apply to my future career.

What you will learn

- Building the expertise to become a public policy professional
- Analytical and problem-solving skills through participation in simulation exercises
- Effective written and verbal communication, strong project management and interpersonal skills
- Critical thinking by means of real-world applications
- Skills and knowledge to navigate complex policy issues and excel in diverse professional environments

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Consultant
- Environmental and housing policy specialist
- Indigenous consultation advisor
- International development analyst
- Labour relations specialist
- Social policy analyst



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Is Social Data Analytics for you?

How can data analysis shape the future of public policy? How can it help design smarter, more sustainable cities, address housing affordability, or provide insights into the drug crisis? How is data revolutionizing industries, transforming the way businesses connect with consumers, and creating new opportunities for innovative entrepreneurs?

The Social Data Analytics minor equips students with cutting-edge skills increasingly in demand across a wide range of careers in public policy, urban planning, marketing, consulting, and technology.

By combining insights from multiple disciplines, the program provides a strong foundation for applying data-driven approaches to solve real-world problems.

The program culminates in a hands-on capstone project, where students collaborate with organizations such as the City of Vancouver and Statistics Canada. This experience allows students to apply their skills to complex challenges, preparing them to lead in fields where data-informed decision-making is critical.

What you will learn

- Data analysis skills from collection and critical evaluation of data derived from and related to human behaviour
- Foundation in computational and statistical methods
- Effective communication and research reporting skills through presentations and data visualizations
- Ability to translate technical information and data-driven insights to the public, scholarly community, and policymakers
- Privacy and ethical concerns emerging from data collection in the big data era

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Data scientist
- Digital marketer
- Market research analyst
- Policy analyst
- Social media analyst

Rachel Way

MAJOR: POLITICAL SCIENCE

MINOR: SOCIAL DATA ANALYTICS

Social Data Analytics taught me where to gather data, how to analyze it, how to visualize it, and most importantly how to share my results with various audiences. I now use data effectively, both in my graduate research and as an analyst at a consulting firm.



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SOCIOLOGY

Is Sociology for you?

Are you interested in the social issues that we all encounter every day? Would you like to learn more about social justice and policy, gender and sexuality, race and ethnicity, work and leisure? If so, sociology may be the discipline for you.

When you study sociology, you develop a quality of mind—a sociological imagination—that allows you to think about the world around you in new ways. Sociology challenges you to examine the forces that shape social life, to uncover the cultural ideas that shape everyday practices, and to see issues from different perspectives.

Sociology is a large discipline with a lot to offer. You can take courses on the social significance of sport, how communities confront environmental disasters, contradictions of capitalism, or how power operates in contemporary social spaces.

Sociology provides you with the tools to think critically and creatively about how history, individual lives, and the social world interact.

What you will learn

- Critical thinking through thoughtful evaluation of complex human behaviour, systems and circumstances
- Interpersonal and professional communication skills from facilitating constructive interactions and discussions from multiple perspectives
- Audio-visual anthropology skills from exploring the creation, circulation, and consumption of cultural ideas among and between members of diverse cultures
- Ability to recognize bias and inequity, and use strategies to effectively promote change

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Public policy researcher
- Educator
- Social worker
- Community outreach coordinator
- Data analyst
- Market researcher
- Community development worker
- Labor relations mediator

Hannah El-Hilo

MAJOR: SOCIOLOGY

MINOR: CRIMINOLOGY

CERTIFICATE: SOCIAL JUSTICE

Studying Sociology at SFU gave me the skills to make sense of various social issues in the world around me. I now have a greater understanding of inequality and power, and how these relationships are influenced by history.



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Is Urban Studies for you?

In our rapidly growing world, most people live in cities. If you are curious about how cities function and eager to find solutions to urban challenges, then urban studies is for you.

Today, we are dealing with a housing crisis, an overloaded public transportation system, climate emergencies, and many more issues. Our students gain both the theoretical knowledge and practical skills to become change-makers who will build more resilient, inclusive, and sustainable cities to face these challenges in the future.

Offered together with SFU's Faculty of Environment, the Urban Worlds major gives students an opportunity to study a wide variety of topics on the challenges and opportunities facing Canadian and international cities, including housing and homelessness, sustainability, age-friendly communities, migration, and community-engaged place-making.

Our award-winning faculty are leaders in their field and are committed to your success. They have backgrounds in various fields, making for a unique, interdisciplinary approach to teaching in our urban studies classes.

Maia Rehman

MAJOR: URBAN WORLDS

When I heard about the Urban Worlds program, I immediately knew I wanted to join and transferred in on the first day of school. I have enjoyed the program's interdisciplinary nature.

What you will learn

- Interpersonal skills and network-building from engaging with urban professionals and community leaders
- Analytical skills from gathering and processing census information and research data
- Clear communication skills from building and giving effective presentations
- Problem-solving skills from engaging in current, real-world city issues
- Open-mindedness to different perspectives by engaging in cross-cultural storytelling

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Community development specialist
- Non-profit director
- Social justice and environmental advocate
- Sustainability specialist
- Urban and land-use planners



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Is World Languages and Literatures for you?

Learning a new language or studying world literature helps you understand different cultures and how they connect.

At SFU's Department of World Languages and Literatures, you can take language classes in: Arabic, Brazilian Portuguese, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Persian, Punjabi, and Spanish.

Learning a new language will not only equip you with strong communication skills, it also gives you a competitive edge in an ever-diversifying job market.

If you love books, traveling, and learning about other cultures, this program is perfect for you. Our courses teach you to write creatively and expressively, to read and think critically, and to communicate ideas effectively across different cultures. By exploring literary texts from a variety of cultures, it is a great way to see your place in the world, learn a new language, and experience global stories—from ancient epic poems to modern graphic novels from around the world.

Amrit Kullar

MAJOR: WORLD LITERATURE

MINORS: PSYCHOLOGY, CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

I enrolled as a World Literature major after taking a class that I loved. Before I knew it, I had completed half of the program's major requirements. I got involved in the student union and built great university friendships. I highly recommend taking a course—it doesn't hurt to try!

What you will learn

- Basic or professional fluency in another language
- Active listening, speaking, and reading comprehension skills through studying a range of texts and genres from the world
- Critical thinking, decision making, and complex problem-solving skills through reading and evaluating different points of views in literary texts
- Social perceptiveness and the capacity to empathize with other perspectives, a key skill when transitioning to global workspaces

Career opportunities

Many possibilities are open to you, with some requiring further education.

- Foreign/diplomatic service officer (e.g. CSIS)
- Professor
- Lawyer
- Translator/interpreter
- Librarian
- K-12 teacher
- Publisher
- Writer/journalist



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