The SFU First Nations Languages Program (FNLP) partners with First Nations speech communities and organizations to enable Indigenous language learning off-campus in First Nations communities.

The program’s vision is the collective and individual empowerment of Indigenous people through education. Since its inception in 1989, over 450 students have graduated—many of whom would otherwise not have had access to a university education.

This award winning program’s focus is on courses and programs that meet the needs of Indigenous learners and their communities, while providing a solid university education, and taking into account First Nations perspectives, cultures, language and history.

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SFU First Nations Languages Program (FNLP) has partnered with First Nations speech communities and organizations to offer courses in some 18 Indigenous languages in British Columbia and Yukon off-campus in First Nations communities.

**LANGUAGES**

Courses offered in cooperation with local First Nations communities and language authorities include the following languages:
- Heiltsuk (Bella Bella)
- Xaad-Kil Haida (Old Masset)
- Huł’q’umi’num’ (Vancouver Island)
- Hänq̓amíł̓am – Downriver (Pitt Meadows)
- Kaska, Northern & Southern Tutchone, Hän, Dene,
- Halq̓eméylem – Upriver (Chilliwack)
- Tlingit/ Athapaskan, Tagish, Gwich’in (Yukon)
- Nsylíxcan (Okanagan)
- Secwepemcstsin - Eastern & Western dialect (Secwepemc Territories)
- Nuxalk (Bella Coola)
- (S̱xw̓aw̓mí7mesh sníchim) (Squamish)
- Tłı̨ch̳ł̳ (Williams Lake)
- Courses in other locations and/or in other languages may be offered at the request of the communities/organizations. For more information, please contact fnlp@sfu.ca.

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

Please consult with the First Nations Languages Program Academic Advisor at fnlp@sfu.ca to review eligibility or academic progress for any of the following programs.

**CERTIFICATE IN FIRST NATIONS LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (CFNLP)**

This program is for students who wish to acquire conversational and literacy skills in a particular First Nations language, to teach this language in schools, or to enhance their language for cultural reasons or professional objectives. The certificate can be completed on a full or part-time basis. [www.sfu.ca/fnlp/programs/certificate](www.sfu.ca/fnlp/programs/certificate)

**DIPLOMA IN FIRST NATIONS LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (DFNLP)**

This program is for students who wish to acquire high intermediate to advanced oral proficiency in a particular First Nations language, to revitalize their languages or to teach this language as a post-secondary educator. Prerequisite is completion of the Certificate in First Nations Language Proficiency (CFNLP). Visit: [www.sfu.ca/fnlp/programs/diploma](www.sfu.ca/fnlp/programs/diploma)

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)**

FNFL and LING courses may be applied towards a BA in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS). [www.sfu.ca/fass/undergraduate/chooseyourprogram/ba](www.sfu.ca/fass/undergraduate/chooseyourprogram/ba)

**POST-BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA (PBD)**

The PBD in Arts and Social Sciences offers those who hold a bachelor’s degree the opportunity to develop and follow a program of individualized study in any FASS discipline. [www.sfu.ca/fass/undergraduate/chooseyourprogram/pbd](www.sfu.ca/fass/undergraduate/chooseyourprogram/pbd)

**GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

In collaboration with the Department of Linguistics, FNLP also supports academic programs at the graduate level:
- Graduate Certificate in the Linguistics of a First Nations Language
- Master of Arts (MA) in the Linguistics of a First Nations Language
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**OTHER INFORMATION**

**AM I A SFU STUDENT OR A FNLP COHORT STUDENT?**

You are both when you are admitted into a SFU FNLP academic cohort or a community academic outreach cohort program. Once admitted, you may take courses for academic credit. FNLP is always your primary contact at fnlp@sfu.ca.

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

[www.sfu.ca/calendar](www.sfu.ca/calendar)

**SFU COMPUTING ID**

[www.sfu.ca/itservices/accounts/computing_id](www.sfu.ca/itservices/accounts/computing_id)

Activate your SFU Computing ID as soon as you are admitted into SFU. The Computing ID enables you to log into goSFU, SFU Mail, Canvas, academic and library portals, and submit requests to SFU services, and much more!

**SFU MAIL**

[mail.sfu.ca](mail.sfu.ca)

Free to eligible SFU students with active student status. Please use your SFU email address to submit requests and include your SFU Student Number in your message.

**STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM - goSFU**

[go.sfu.ca](go.sfu.ca)

goSFU provides access to your SFU Student Center for course enrollment, class schedules, grades, account information, and more.

**ENROLLMENT DATE**

SFU sends an automatic email each term with your enrollment date which is the earliest date you can enroll into courses for an upcoming academic term. A student who has not enrolled in courses in three consecutive terms will have to apply for Reactivation or Readmission - see [www.sfu.ca/students/deadlines](www.sfu.ca/students/deadlines) for more information.

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**TUITION SPONSORSHIP**

Prior to enrolling into courses, please make sure your student account is up-to-date and that your pre-approved tuition sponsorship authorization form is submitted by your band sponsor as soon as possible to the FNLP office in order to ensure enrollment eligibility.

**TUITION AND FEES**

[www.sfu.ca/students/fees](www.sfu.ca/students/fees)

The deadline to pay fees is Week 2 Day 5 of the academic term or at the time of course enrollment if enrollment occurs after this date. The application fee, payable to ‘Simon Fraser University’ is due upon receipt of your application. Fees are subject to change.

**GRADUATION APPLICATION**

Eligible students completing degree requirements are encouraged to apply for graduation as soon as possible within the first six weeks of your last academic term. For more information, visit [www.sfu.ca/fnlp/graduation](www.sfu.ca/fnlp/graduation) or email fnlp@sfu.ca.