Multimedia: privacy and copyright
**WHAT'S MULTIMEDIA**

**Multimedia** is a variety of media used for communication purposes.

**Kinds of media** include graphics, photographs, video, as well as audio and music recordings.

**Note:** Pre-existing copyright protected works, such as artwork and performances, are also referenced herein.
When is it acceptable to capture and publish images and other works?
**Scenario** – Is it acceptable to capture and publish images of these students who posed for portraits?

**Answer** – Can’t know just by looking at them. Must know details (5Ws + how) or permission status. How you capture and store images is important to you, your colleagues, and the next person in your job.
Photos and Videos: what do I need to know?

We all know how to take photos and videos, but do we understand the multimedia copyright and privacy rules so we know when we can legally capture and publish those images?

Multimedia copyright and privacy

Everyone in the campus community may use this site to quickly assess when permission/consent is required to capture and publish images taken on campus of:

1. identifiable individuals, and
2. pre-existing works, such as art.

Real campus scenarios show you how to apply precautions, required by freedom of information and protection of privacy acts as well as copyright acts.

What is multimedia?

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When is it acceptable to capture and publish images?

Requesting consent: images

- Images at campus indoor events
- Images at campus outdoor events
- Images at campus public spaces
- Images taken outdoors by drones
- Images of campus indoor objects
- Images of campus outdoor objects
- Images taken at athletic events
- Images of athletes
- Images for news or journalism

Requesting consent: music

- Music: published works
- Music: your original work
- Music: athletic events
- Music: royalty free

Student Society events

- SFSS events

Copyright in classroom

- Audio and video in classroom
Site layout ➤

**Organized by activity**

Designed for people responsible for supervising, organizing, or taking images on SFU campuses.

Landing page ➤

**Quick reference section of best practices** for capturing and publishing images of people and pre-existing works, and

**quick links to look up permission requirements.**

Content format ➤

- Consent/permission requirement
- Reason
- Kinds of consent
- Options to publish
- References and forms (sources)
REASSURANCE

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PRIVACY

FOIPOP/FIPPA – Applies to images of identifiable people too.

1) Collection
2) Accuracy
3) Correction
4) Protection and storage
5) Use
6) Disclosure
7) Retention and disposal

Bottom line: “The University, its employees, service providers and volunteers share a legal obligation to protect personal information in the custody or under the control of SFU. All must comply with the Act’s privacy rules and regulations whenever third party personal information is entrusted to the University’s care.” (Source: www.sfu.ca/archives/foipop)
Acts and policies – Apply to protected work(s) of creators, artists, writers, as well as the owners of protected works.

• Canada’s Copyright Act
• SFU’s copyright policy
• SFU’s FAQ

Bottom line: “Copyright protection exists as soon as a work is created in a fixed form. A fact or idea is not subject to copyright protection, but the expression of the fact or idea is protected.” (Source: www.sfu.ca/help/academic-integrity/copyright)
Apply 5Ws+how Framework Check

Answer the following to determine if permission is required:

- **WHO** – Identifiable person in image, or not?
- **WHAT** – Original work, or not? (e.g., image, music)
- **WHERE** – Private or public location? (e.g., Is there a reasonable expectation of privacy?)
- **WHEN** – Age of subject? (e.g., child vs adult)
- **WHY** – Purpose? (e.g., private or public event)
- **HOW** – Distribution? (e.g., publishing in any manner like print or electronic (3rd party), storage on device.)
Original works? Unsure?

SFU 50th anniversary – Student Services picnic, 2015
Bocci Bravehearts (L–R): Brittany, Connie, Harpreet, Katarina
Identifiable? Unsure?
When in doubt...

Refer to website

www.sfu.ca/students/photo-video-permissions
Ways to seek permission

- Model release form
- Email notification (organizer)
- Photography signage
- Announcement at event
- On-camera consent
- Written permission/confirmation
The following examples show how to:

a) apply the 5Ws+How framework to understand when it’s necessary to get consent before capturing and publishing images, and

b) work around a problem to move forward with your project if you do not have the necessary consent.
CONSENT TO USE PERSONAL INFORMATION AND LIKENESS

Pursuant to Section 32(b) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(RSBC 1996, c. 165) I, (print name) ______________________________
give my consent to Simon Fraser University (“SFU”) to use my personal information, including photographs, video recordings and sound recordings of me under the terms and conditions noted below.

1. The personal information to be used is as follows:
   My name and likeness in the form of photographs, videos and sound recordings.

2. The personal information may be used by the following SFU employees:
   SFU employees tasked with creating illustration, promotion, art, exhibition, editorial, advertising, broadcast, trade, or any other work related to SFU’s activities.

3. The personal information and likeness is used only for the following purpose(s):
   Illustration, promotion, art, exhibition, editorial, advertising, broadcast, trade, and other purposes related to publicizing SFU’s activities, programs, presentations, ceremonies, performances, sports meets and similar events.
Images at campus indoor events

Example

WHO
WHAT
WHERE
WHEN
WHY
HOW
Workaround – clear signage
SFU’s student-athlete consent form states that the **SFU Athletic Department has permission to use and release photographs of its athletes.** With exemption of media, all other SFU departments should seek permission from SFU Athletics, or directly from the athletes, to obtain consent for images of athletes to be captured and included in all other projects, just as with any other individual.
Workaround – Athletes

This poster showcases student athletes trained as peer learning coaches by the Student Learning Commons, and were undertaking a recognized co-curricular activity. Apart from their student-athlete waiver form, each student-athlete who participated in the photography session for this poster signed a model release form.

To connect with a Learning Coach please contact:

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Example

Basketball
Elisa Homer
Business Major

Soccer
Olivia Aguiar
Kinesiology Major

Softball
Katherine Murnaghan
Biomedical Physiology Major

Track and Field
Peter Behncke
Business Major

Volleyball
Christine Howlett
Business Major

Football
Ryan Dhillon
Business Major

Swimming and Diving
Sophie D'Souza
Criminology Major

Wrestling
Daniel Kelloway
Earth Sciences Major

Photographs by SFU Student Services, Communications (GR)
Images at campus indoor events

Example

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FROM PARENTS

WHO
WHAT
WHERE
WHEN
WHY
HOW

Photograph by SFU Student Services, Communications (SR)
Workaround – Lanyard or sticker

Use coloured lanyards, stickers or badges to indicate that a parent’s consent has already been obtained.
Images at campus indoor events

Example

Who
What
Where
When
Why
How

CONSENSUS IS REQUIRED (BUT PARENTAL CONSENT MAY NOT BE REQUIRED)

See website for further explanation.
Workaround – crop image
Identifiable faces in front row.
Workaround – Blur faces or step back
Images at campus outdoor events (not using drones)

Example - consider 5Ws

Best practice - Assume university property is private property, even though the public may access grounds, walkways, hallways, etc., and then post/notify when you are capturing images for a work-related project.
Images taken at athletic events

Attendees

CONSENT MAY BE REQUIRED: IT DEPENDS

Indoor/outdoor examples - consider 5Ws
Example – Even though a location may be considered public space, where photography signage is not required, it could be considered “creepy” not to ask for permission. (Photo: Unknown student in Convocation Mall)
Images taken outdoors by drones

Capturing aerial footage — with or without people

Drones are **not normally permitted** on campus. Consult University Communications.
Images of campus indoor objects

Art (paintings, photographs, sculptures, other artwork) that is on display.

Painting: Entitled “Amour”, Artist: Joe Average
Location: Student Services Boardroom, MBC 3107.
Consent is **not required** if artwork is incidental to the main subject of the image or permanently fixed in a public space.
Images of campus outdoor objects

Building architecture, permanently installed sculpture, and other works of artistic craftsmanship on display in public space

CONSENT IS NOT REQUIRED
Newsworthy content may not be reused for any other purpose. (e.g., non-news related promotion, or marketing and sales).

Photograph by Burnaby Now Newspaper, Gung Haggis Fat Choy event, SFU Convocation Mall
Adding published music (copyright protected) to videos/slideshows, etc.

Reason
All original and published music is copyright protected. It is illegal to use an original song, or any other creative work in its “fixed form.” [http://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/academic-integrity/copyright/protect]

Kinds of consent
Obtain permission and pay a licensing fee that is legal and binding.
A budget is required to pay for ongoing music licensing fees if music is needed.
Music: royalty free
Adding royalty-free music to videos / slideshows, etc.

Embed credits at end of video and in YouTube / Vimeo description box.

CREDIT IS REQUIRED

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Images courtesy of Tourism Vancouver • University of British Columbia • Museum of Anthropology • Grouse Mountain
Music provided by freemusic.com

Give credit where credit is due, even if it’s in tiny letters.
Cameras rolling at an athletic event, or other event where copyright protected music is playing, should not capture or record music.
Music: your original work

Adding your original music to videos/slideshows, etc.

CONSENT ISSUES

If you create an original piece of music you are protected by Canada’s copyright act.

The copyright symbol © is not required, but can be a good idea to include as it is a reminder to others to not copy your original work.

Consent and Release of Your Original Work Form

Gayle Brawn – Karaoke Canada Day, Student Services
Student society (SFSS) events

Capturing events not organized by SFU employees

SFU Student Society is a separate entity operating on University property and is therefore not within the FOIPOP or copyright purview of SFU.
When is it acceptable to capture and publish images/works?

Walk through the 5Ws+How, and you’ll have your answer!

**WHY**  Purpose? Repurposing? (e.g., type of event, or different purpose than originally captured)

**WHO**  Identifiable student, employee?

**WHAT**  Original/Pre-existing? (e.g., image, artwork, music)

**WHERE**  Private/public property? (e.g. expectation of privacy)

**WHEN**  Age of subject? Archived photo(s)?

**HOW**  Distribution/safeguarding/personal device/3rd party sharing?
• Find answers to your questions on the website about multimedia copyright and privacy.

• Use the 5W+H framework in a pinch to determine when it’s okay to capture and publish an image or pre-existing work.

• Obtain permission on a model release form, or by another method, if an image is to be used for a purpose other than it was originally captured and published with permission.

**Remember**, always keep individuals’ rights ahead of your own needs.

www.sfu.ca/students/photo-video-permissions