1 VPRI PORTFOLIO UPDATES
SFU’s 2023-2028 Strategic Research Plan and its implementation plan have been finalized, made public and rolled out to the SFU community. SFU News.

SFU is hiring for the position of Executive Director, Community-Centred Climate Innovation.

2 SCHOLARLY IMPACTS
In 2022, SFU researchers published over 2,600 papers and were cited in more than 128,236 publications world-wide.

The Scholarly Impact of the Week series featured the works of Charlotte Waddell, Carman Neustaedter, June Francis, Scott Lear and Alissa Greer. The Top 22 of 2022 recap highlighted faculty members whose articles received the highest number of field-weighted citations and the top Altmetric attention scores.

3 RESEARCH FUNDING AND AWARDS
SFU’s 4D LABS received more than $2 million from the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada to establish the Centre for Environmental and Food Analysis. The new centre will advance clean technologies and support their commercialization. SFU also received funding of nearly $600,000 to support the Big Data Hub and increase the capacity of Supercomputer Cedar. SFU News.

SFU was awarded $2.1 million over 11 months as part of the Digital Research Alliance of Canada Program, to support the operations of Supercomputer Cedar as well as access for SFU users to Alliance resources.

Nine SFU researchers are among the country’s new and renewed Canada Research Chairs. SFU News.

4 RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL AND SUSTAINABILITY NEWS
SFU and the Aga Khan University have signed an agreement to facilitate joint research, faculty and student exchanges and collaborations that address pressing global issues such as climate change and environmental sustainability. SFU News.

Distinguished SFU Professor Angela Kaida was named scientific director of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Gender and Health. SFU News.

SFU deepened its commitment to sustainability and climate action with the release of SFU’s 2022-2025 Strategic Sustainability and Climate Action Plan. Faculty & Staff Dashboard.

SFU Sustainability organized the university’s first-ever official delegation of faculty, students and staff to the United Nations Conference of Parties (COP 27) in Egypt this November. The delegation explored how SFU can contribute to the COPs, build international partnerships and develop educational outcomes within the university community. SFU also hosted a post-COP event with UBC and the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions. Planning is now underway for COP 28 in the United Arab Emirates. Dugan O’Neil’s LinkedIn.

We launched the new SFU Sustainability website. It is designed to be the central location for sustainability and climate action activities across the university and will showcase work done in all vice-president portfolios towards the new plan.

AVPKMI Elicia Maine received the 2022 Trailblazer Award (Innovation Policy) from the Canadian Science Policy Centre. At its annual conference, Maine moderated a panel discussion on co-creating climate action, touching on SFU’s community-centered climate innovation program, and participated in plenary panel discussion on ways to support and mobilize the research of Canadian scientists and their international collaborators. Faculty & Staff Dashboard.

SFU hosted the 2022 Canadian Association of Research Administrators (CARA) West conference in December. The 50th annual event explored the theme Research for Good. As host, SFU ensured the participation of Indigenous presenters with a focus on decolonizing research administration. SFU’s Knowledge Mobilization Hub, the Technology Licensing Office and Institutional Strategic Awards Office also presented sessions.