



SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION *of the* PACIFIC

The Scholarship is offered every year to a Haida Gwaii student graduating Grade 12 from either the Gudangaay Tlaats'gaa Naay Secondary School in Masset or Gidgalang Kuuyas Naay Secondary School in Queen Charlotte City. All graduating students are encouraged to apply.

The Scholarship fully-funds a student completing a four-year undergraduate degree program at Simon Fraser University (SFU) in Burnaby B.C. Applications for high school students planning to enroll at SFU open October 1 and close **January 31** for the next fall (September) start. **To apply for the Scholarship, you must complete your SFU application no later than the deadline of January 31. For more information: sfu.ca/students/admission**

Once the SFU application is complete, students should submit their Scholarship application to the Scholarship Foundation of the Pacific no later than ***the first Tuesday of February of the year they are applying***. Interviews will be held in late February or early March and one student will be awarded the Scholarship by SFU in accordance with the university's student awards' offer schedule, but generally ***no later than April***.

The scholarship recipient will receive \$10,000 per semester (fall and spring) placed into their SFU student financial account.

Each student is responsible for managing their own budget and using the Scholarship funds to pay their tuition, books, fees, accommodation, and meal plan. A sample budget has been included for reference.

Each scholarship recipient will also receive a yearly travel allowance directly from the Scholarship Foundation of the Pacific of \$1,000 issued each August. The intention is that the travel allowance will help cover costs for the student recipient to travel to/from Haida Gwaii to work each summer.

At the end of each fall and spring semester, student recipients must email an update, which may include self-reported grades, to Beverley Kniffen, Executive Director, or a designated person with the Scholarship Foundation of the Pacific at beverley@cascadiarealty.ca

Each student is encouraged to keep in touch with the Scholarship Foundation of the Pacific, with any questions or concerns throughout their time at SFU.



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HOW TO APPLY:

Once you have applied to SFU (*before the January 31 deadline*), prepare a Scholarship application to be submitted to Beverley Kniffen no later than *the first Tuesday in February*. Also, please apply to put your name on the wait list for SFU student housing as soon as possible (more info: sfu.ca/students/residences); we encourage each student to live in the dorms for at least the first year. If the housing waitlist or enrollment application fees are an issue, please contact Beverley Kniffen for options.

Your application should include your future plans, what programs you are applying for, why you are choosing that field of study, what you will do when you graduate and background information of your life to date. Include three letters of reference, grades for the last two years of high school, and list any special programs you have completed. In your application, include any volunteer work you do, sports or other extracurricular programs you are involved with. The selection committee reviews all factors and grades are NOT the only factor when we award the Scholarship.

This is a great opportunity to graduate without substantial debt to begin your post-university life.

Simon Fraser University booklets for prospective students are included, please review and also visit sfu.ca for more information about degree programs.

If you have any questions about SFU degree programs or the application process, please contact:

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Sarah Willson or Alexander Rosende-Tabunar,

Student Recruitment Coordinators for BC School District #50 (Haida Gwaii)

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Good Luck and we look forward to meeting each of you.