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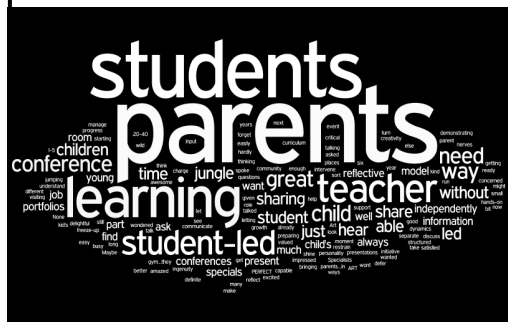


October 7, 2021

Student ID Cards have arrived and were distributed to students during a short homeroom on Tuesday, October 5 from 9:00—9:05 a.m.

ID cards have a WebCode to order **photo packages** on-line [here](#). Please note that photos can be cropped on-line.

RE-TAKE DAY IS TUESDAY, OCT. 12!!



Parent/Teacher Conferences



Kelowna Secondary School will be hosting our Parent Teacher Interviews on **Wednesday, Oct 13th** with an early release time at 1:30 p.m. for students.

Regular bus pickup will occur at this time.

Due to the unique circumstances of COVID 19 restrictions and constraints for the school year, KSS will once again be hosting these interviews using the telephone, Zoom or other technologies. intent is to offer an opportunity for all families who wish to discuss their child's transition into the new school year an opportunity to do so. Please contact your child's teacher's directly for your specific time, if you are interested in having an interview. These interviews will be booked for 5-7 minutes and can be extended if needed.



Please visit our KSS website at www.kss.sd23.bc.ca and scroll to the bottom and click on **CONTACT US**. All staff emails are located at this link under the [Staff Directory](#).

CONTACT US

École Kelowna Secondary

1079 Raymer Avenue, Kelowna, BC, V1Y 4Z7

Phone: (250) 870-5105

Report Absence (please do not e-mail absences) 250-870-5105

Fax: (250) 870-5005 - Office and Career Centre Hours 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Email: kss@sd23.bc.ca

Office Hours: 8:00 - 4:00 Monday to Friday Main Office and Career Centre



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Contact Us

Please select from tabs on the left for additional contact information for Kelowna Secondary School.

Principal - Troy White

Vice Principal - Christey Hughes

Vice Principal - Robbie Franklin

Vice Principal - Michael Kormany

Student Last Name A-G: Christey Hughes email christey.hughes@sd23.bc.ca

Student Last Name H-N: Robbie Franklin email robbie.franklin@sd23.bc.ca

Student Last Name O-Z: Michael Kormany email michael.kormany@sd23.bc.ca

**The next KSS PAC meeting is
Tuesday, October 12th, at 6:30 pm**

on Zoom. All KSS parents and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you would like to attend and have not previously, please email your name, contact email, and student's name to: kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca We hope to see you there!

KSS CLUBS ~ 2021-2022						
CLUB	CONTACT	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Math/Science Homework Help Club	Marilyn Sun			8:04-8:49am Library		
English/Socials Homework Help Club	Carolyn Herzog				3:16-4:01pm Library	
Avid Readers Club Students will select books of various genres & meet monthly to discuss them. Bring your own snack!	Ms. K. Jonker & Ms. K. Oleksewich			1 st Wed of every month at lunch. Rm 230		
Chess Club	Mr. G Rice		Lunch Rm 260		Lunch Rm 260	
Diversity Club	Ms. T. Manca		Lunch Rm 237			
Move4MANA/Global Awareness Club Students interested in social justice, planning school & community events that raise money for global causes.	Ms. L. Hazel			Lunch Rm 209		
Jack.org Mental Health Awareness Club	Ms. L. Hazel					Lunch Rm 209
Magic Monday	Mr. P. Bakker	Lunch Rm 145				
Night Owl Orchestra Club 10/11/12	Ms. L. Dubois	6:30pm-8:30pm Rm 126				
Sustainability Club	Ms. D. Margetts	Lunch Rm 145				

Safety of your Child at Non-Sanctioned Graduation Events

For each of our grade 12 students, the graduation year is one of the most special and celebrated milestones to date. We have several events that we are still organizing and support at KSS for your Grade 12 student. These events may look different or may be cancelled depending on the status of COVID-19 and the restrictions. Administrators, teachers, parents and students work very hard to organize these events and ensure all safety concerns are addressed. Grad Winter Formal, Grad Fun Night, Prom and the Convocation Ceremony are just a few activities that we plan and prepare for your child's enjoyment.

Unfortunately, there are other non-sanctioned grad events that we do not supervise nor support. The activities are organized and arranged by graduates themselves that include "grad kidnappings" and subsequent "bush parties" that take place in our community.

We want to be clear that we have serious concerns regarding student behavior and safety at all of the above-mentioned non sanctioned events. There has been incidents of serious injury to students and we strongly caution and counsel parents to investigate these non-sanctioned activities carefully.

The staff at KSS want your child's grade 12 year to be positive, memorable and safe.

New Youth Art Programs

FALL 2021



For more Info and Register:
rotarycentreforthearts.com



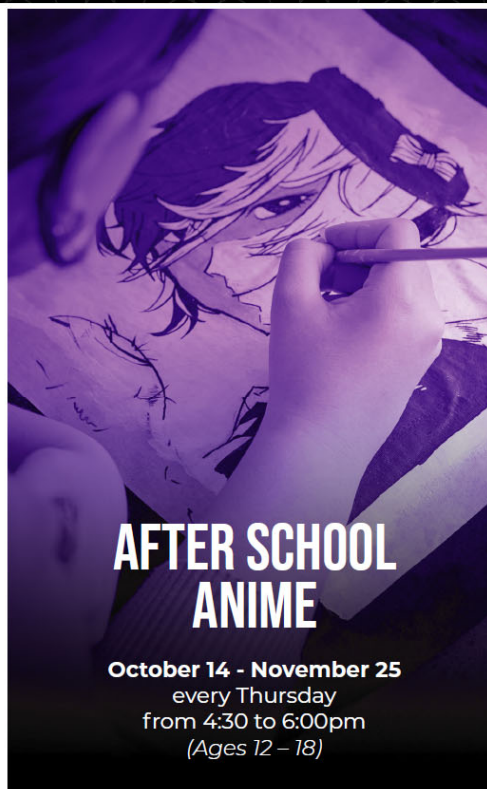
ART AND ROBOTS

October 13 - November 3
every Wednesday
from 4:30 to 6:00pm
(Ages 8 – 12)



DRUM WORKSHOP

October 14 - November 25
every Thursday
from 4:00 to 5:00pm
(Ages 11 – 15)



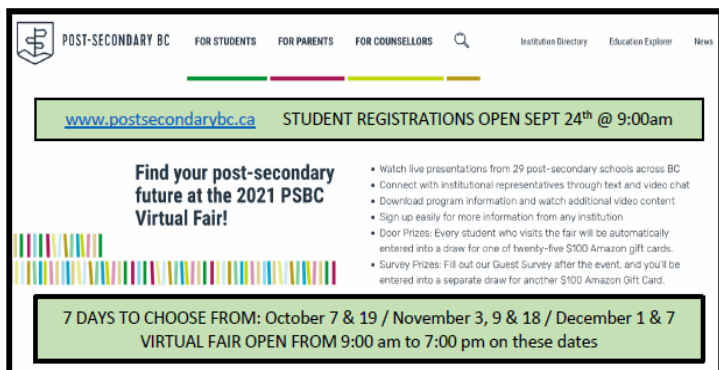
AFTER SCHOOL ANIME

October 14 - November 25
every Thursday
from 4:30 to 6:00pm
(Ages 12 – 18)

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POST-SECONDARY BC FOR STUDENTS FOR PARENTS FOR COUNSELLORS

www.postsecondarybc.ca STUDENT REGISTRATIONS OPEN SEPT 24th @ 9:00am

Find your post-secondary future at the 2021 PSBC Virtual Fair!

- Watch live presentations from 29 post-secondary schools across BC
- Connect with institutional representatives through text and video chat
- Download program information and watch additional video content
- Sign up easily for more information from any institution
- Door Prizes: Every student who visits the fair will be automatically entered into a draw for one of twenty-five \$100 Amazon gift cards.
- Survey Prizes: Fill out our Guest Survey after the event, and you'll be entered into a separate draw for another \$100 Amazon Gift Card.

7 DAYS TO CHOOSE FROM: October 7 & 19 / November 3, 9 & 18 / December 1 & 7
VIRTUAL FAIR OPEN FROM 9:00 am to 7:00 pm on these dates

GATEWAY TO TECH

Increase your technology skills and explore potential career opportunities in technology and coding. Sign up now for free training offered by Central Okanagan Public Schools & Okanagan College.

OKANAGAN COLLEGE – KELOWNA CAMPUS

Tuesday & Thursday from 5:00-8:30 pm
October 14th, 2021 – March 3rd, 2022

(This year, the program will be a blend of in-person at OC and online.)

FREE for grade 10-12 student interested in technology and coding.
Student will receive four credits for a grade 12 elective course.

Limited space available.

Contact your School Career Centre for an application. Applications are due to your Career Centre by **September 22, 2021**.



PARENTING YOUR ANXIOUS YOUTH



MEET FOR 1.5 HOURS WEEKLY WITH PARENTS/CAREGIVERS WHO ARE ON THE SAME JOURNEY

Who:

Parents/Caregivers of youth aged 12-16

5 Group Sessions:

Thursdays 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
October 7 - November 4

Where:

The Bridge Youth & Family Services
Online via Zoom

Admission:

No Cost

To register email jen.teigen@thebridgeservices.ca
or call 250-718-1412

We will talk about:

- ✓ What anxiety is and how it works.
- ✓ How to better understand your youth's experience.
- ✓ Skills to help your youth cope.
- ✓ Skills to communicate with your anxious youth.
- ✓ Skills to manage situations in which your youth's anxiety impacts daily life.



We transform lives and build community

8-2604 Enterprise Way | Kelowna, BC | V1X 7Y5
250-763-0456



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

[UBC/UBCO Admission Information Digital Guide](#)

Check it out!!

The Path to UBC



Additional Info

Indigenous Student Resources

- Indigenous Programs and Services (Okanagan)
- Indigenous Portal (Vancouver)
- Pathways for Indigenous students:
 - Aboriginal Access Studies
 - UBC-Langara Aboriginal Transfer Partnership

Plan Your Finances

- Loans, bursaries and financing
- Awards
 - Presidential Scholars Award
 - Centennial Scholars Award
 - Beyond Tomorrow Scholars Award
- **Awards for Indigenous students**
- First-year cost calculator

Program Highlights

- Bachelor of Nsyilxcn Language Fluency (Okanagan)
- Bachelor of Sustainability (Okanagan)
- UBC Sauder - University of Hong Kong Dual Degree (Vancouver)

Transfer Students

- Eligibility, requirements and evaluation process
- Transfer credit check
 - BC Transfer Guide
 - UBC Transfer Credit Search Tool

Contact Us!

recruitment.ok@ubc.ca
indigenous.recruitment@ubc.ca



you.ubc.ca/counsellors



Career Development Services

Online services now available!

AGES 16-30

Our **FREE SERVICES** are currently being offered for social distancing by **PHONE, EMAIL AND ZOOM!**

Paid programs, including Jumpstart will continue to be delivered virtually. For more information, visit www.ymcaokanagan.ca/careerservices

Our next JUMPSTART SESSION

is Nov 8th - Dec 17th!

Call or email to attend our next info-session!

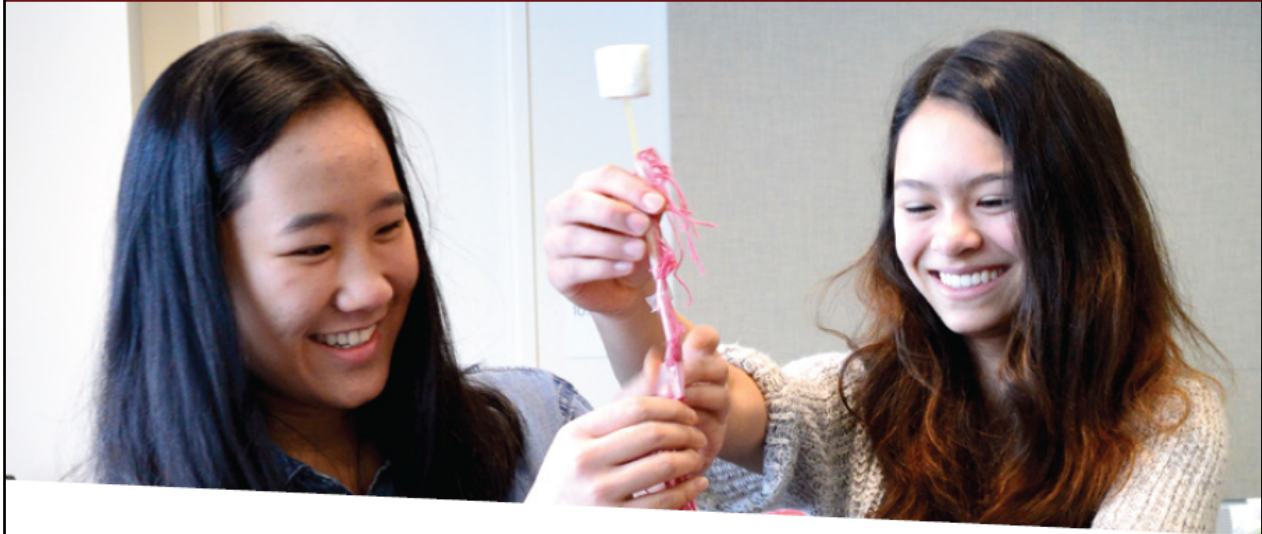
Here's a few ways you can get in touch with us about our services offered:

- Call for detailed information. Our staff will be happy to tell you more about our great programs. Reach us at **250-861-5627**.
- Email us your questions. Book a meeting and get registered for services through connect@ymcaokanagan.ca

Building healthy communities



UBC Geering Up
Kelowna, Okanagan



Inviting All High School Girls

All-Girls Events

Join us as we learn about engineering design with fun, hands-on activities led by current university students and meet inspiring mentors. Connect with other like-minded students and talk to current engineering students and professionals who will share their stories and experience.

Want to Contact Us?

Email us at kelowna.geeringup@ubc.ca

Who, When, and Where?

Grade 11 & 12 Girls
Innovative Engineering: The World of Biomedical technology

October 29, 2021
UBC Okanagan
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Limited Seats. Sign up in your Career Centre by Wednesday, Oct 13, 2021.

* We have an inclusive view of the word "girl" and we welcome trans, genderqueer, and non-binary folks interested in these workshops



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The **TD Scholarship for Community Leadership** rewards students who have shown leadership in the areas of local employment programs, environmental cleanup, support group creation, and family services initiatives. Twenty students from different communities across Canada received this scholarship last year.

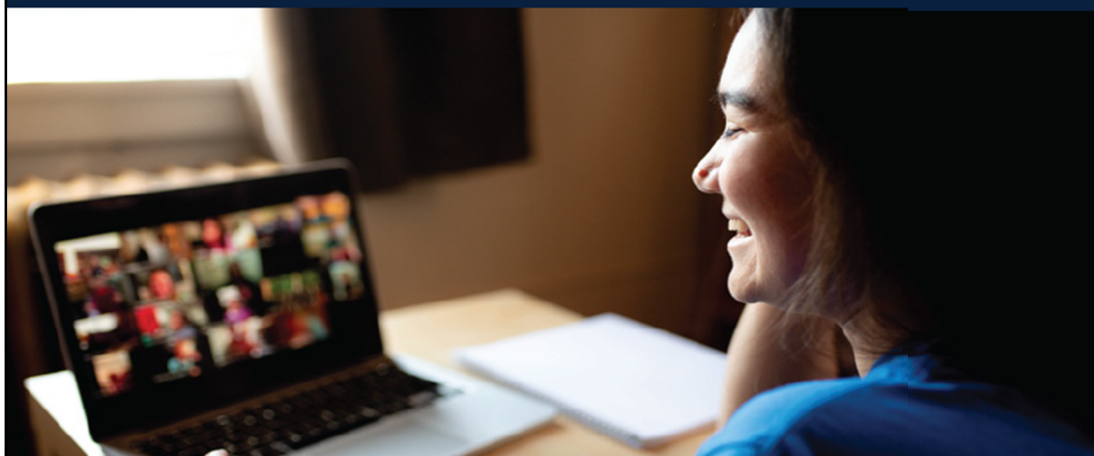
As a Student Leadership Advisor, you are in a unique position to help your students learn about this scholarship. Or perhaps you know a student in grade 9, 10 or 11 who, with a little coaching, could easily become a strong candidate. This scholarship is open to all students in Canada in their final year of high school or CEGEP.

Applications for 2021 are now open. Final applications are due November 15, 2021. Let your students know about this opportunity, and visit the website to learn more: www.tdcanadatrust.com/scholarship

The TD seminar on applying for scholarships is outstanding and should be viewed by any student thinking of applying for any scholarship. It is found on our Google Drive [here](#).



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Who, When, and Where?

Grade 11/12 - Sustainability for our Future
21st October, 2021 | Online | 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Grade 8/9/10 - Engineering Into The Universe
24th February, 2022 | Online | 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Want to Sign Up or Learn More?

Visit geeringup.apsc.ubc.ca/events or email us at geeringup@ubc.ca

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KSS'S CURRENT PRODUCTION

2021-22 SEASON

FALL PRODUCTION

TREASURE ISLAND



Kelowna Secondary School's NIGHT OWL THEATRE COMPANY is proud to present **Treasure Island** this holiday season. Adapted by Todd Espeland from Robert Louis Stevenson's thrilling pirate adventure, this play will give you an action packed evening of live theatre that will leave you whistling sea shanties for days! Our play begins in the mid 1700's, along the coast of England, and ends up with a harrowing escape from the deserted Skeleton Island. There are treasure maps, sword fights, outlandish characters, and of course, pirates. The author, Espeland, does an amazing job keeping the gritty feel of the time, while making it a story fit for all ages of the 21st Century. We hope you can join us!



Shows will run from **Wednesday, December 8th to Saturday, December 11th**, at the KSS Studio Theatre, 1079 Raymer Avenue. The shows will begin at 7 pm, with doors opening at 6:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased: at the door; in person from the box office up to one week before opening night; or reserved by email at nightowltheatre@gmail.com. Prices are **\$10** for students/seniors and **\$15** for adults. We will be donating \$1 of each ticket to the Foundry here in Kelowna.



TRADES TALK TUESDAYS 2.0



We're back and this time, we're talking with Red Seal Trades Instructors!

Every Tuesday this fall, OC Instructors will be providing an insider's look into skilled trades programs, shops, labs and kitchens. During these live-streamed virtual presentations, find out about admission requirements, employment outcomes and what it takes to be a successful student and tradesperson. Trades Talk Tuesdays are designed for people who are interested in learning more about entry-level trades training opportunities at the Kelowna, Vernon, Salmon Arm and Penticton campuses.

Registration for each virtual event is required. Sessions will be recorded and available after the event. Review presentation dates and to register, visit:

okanagan.bc.ca/trades

Questions?

250-862-5457 • trades@okanagan.bc.ca



Attend Harvard WECODE's 2021 High School Conference!



Harvard WECODE 2021 High School Conference

What is WECODE?

The Harvard Women Engineers Code (WECODE) Conference is the largest student-run conference for women engineers in the world: an annual, 1200+ attendee event held at Harvard University, run by a passionate group of Harvard undergraduate women in technology.

What is the WECODE High School Conference?

WECODE is hosting a conference for high school students on October 16, 2021 from 1-6:30 pm ET, a one-day virtual event to encourage high schoolers to explore tech, with chances to hear from college women and professionals in the field, cultivate networks with fellow students in tech, and learn what the exciting world of technology has to offer. The conference will be held virtually via [Hopin](https://hopin.com).

Awesome! I want to attend! What should I do?

1. Registration is now available for \$15 through October 12, 2021 11:59pm ET. Register on [Hopin](https://hopin.com) using tinyurl.com/wecodereg
2. Visit the harvardwecode.com website for more information



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Weekend Backpack Program for Children in the Central Okanagan!

Impact Tomorrow Foundation ("ITF") is pleased to kick off a \$120,000 campaign to support Kelowna's own, **Food for Thought program**. Together, and through the power of matching funds, we will help fund their Weekend Backpack Program for the entire 2021/2022 school year.

The **Weekend Backpack Program** assists children that are most at-risk in our community by providing them with healthy food packaged in a backpack to take home on weekends.

As we all know, **hunger doesn't take the weekend off**. Food insecurity in the Central Okanagan has increased by 39% during the COVID pandemic.

Peter Boyd, owner of Peter's Independent Grocers, and Al Hildebrandt, Founder of Impact Tomorrow Foundation, are working together on the Food for Thought's Backpack program, with their personal and financial support and they are asking you to join them in their quest to raise \$120,000.
https://trellis.org/impacttomorrow_foodforthought



Kids and their families continue to face a lot of uncertainty. Each week, Food for Thought's 53 volunteers gather to package nutritional food items for their Breakfast Program and Weekend Backpack Program. Working across School District 23, the Breakfast Program serves 1,700 children per day who without this assistance go to school on an empty stomach. The program helps support a healthy start to the day and the nutrition required to learn and engage while ensuring they have the energy they need to get through each school day.

Food for Thought serves local elementary, middle, and secondary students families facing challenges and working hard to support these children and fill the hunger gap. The Backpack contains fresh vegetables, fruit, snacks, and enough nutritious food to last the weekend and into the school week.

British Columbia has one of the highest child poverty rates in Canada with 20% of children living below the poverty line. With the ever-increasing cost of rent, food, and other household expenses, families in our community are struggling to keep food on the table throughout the week. It's often embarrassing for children attending school to not be like their peers with a full and assorted lunch box. Equipping these children with a Weekend Backpack full of nutritious food helps reduced stress and gives them energy to learn, play, and grow.



It's hard to believe that In the Central Okanagan, there are over 5,900 children at risk of food insecurity. Food For Thought's Weekend Backpack Program is a necessity for children experiencing hunger which generates positive changes in schools, communities, and our society. Proper access to nutrition is shown to improve capacity to learn, reduces stress and anxiety, boost attendance and punctuality, foster student's sense of engagement and belonging, while promoting greater nutritional awareness.

The Annual cost to execute the Weekend Backpack Program in response to recognized needs is \$150,000. At this time, 20% has already been raised.

Cheryl Hoffman, Food for Thought Coordinator, notes "We need to raise \$120,000 in the next 3 months so we can safeguard the program for the 2021/2022 school year. Too many children in our community come to school on Monday having not eaten much over the weekend. Raising money during this Covid season for these often-forgotten children and families is not easy; we want to make certain children in our community are given every chance to succeed."

When schools closed at the start of COVID, children relied on Food for Thought for stability and nutrition during these challenging times. Together we can make a difference and brighten their days!

The Impact Tomorrow Foundation has generously agreed to match each dollar raised up to \$60,000. The impact of this campaign will ensure over 5,000 backpacks are delivered this school year, to children at risk. Each Weekend Backpack of food which contains 9 meals and extra snacks so that a child has more than enough to make a difference.



You can donate online at https://trellis.org/impacttomorrow_foodforthought

Food for Thought will receive 100% of the net proceeds from this campaign to fund the Weekend Backpack Program.

We are inviting and encouraging you to join us for this worthy community project to help reduce the pain and stress weekend hunger puts on our local children.

For more information, reach out to the Food for Thought Program Coordinator - Cheryl Hoffman.

Call or text (250) 899-7777.



SCAN ME

SFU's Faculty of Applied Sciences is for those who see problems as opportunities and are ready to discover their potential for shaping a better tomorrow. Home to the Schools of Computing Science, Engineering Science, Mechatronic Systems Engineering, and Sustainable Energy Engineering, we are shaping the next generation of leaders in technology and engineering. We offer rewarding areas of study complemented by unique learning experiences that foster innovation and an entrepreneurial spirit.

The online sessions will be taking place on the following dates and times:

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date : Wednesday, October 6th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Computing Science and Software Systems

Date: Wednesday, October 13th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date: Wednesday, October 20th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm



Future Students Information Session: Engineering Sciences, Mechatronics Systems Engineering, Sustainable Energy Engineering

Date: Wednesday, October 27th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date: Wednesday, November 3rd

Time: 8:00-9:00am

Future Students Information Session: Computing Science and Software Systems

Date: Wednesday, November 10th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date: Wednesday, November 17th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Engineering Sciences, Mechatronics Systems Engineering, Sustainable Energy Engineering

Date: Wednesday, November 24th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Transfer Presentation

Date: Wednesday, December 1st

Time: 4:30-5:30

Future Students Information Session: Computing Science and Software Systems

Date: Wednesday, December 8th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

RSVP: <https://www.sfu.ca/fas/prospective-Students/events.html>

Please note: At this time, registration is live for our first three information sessions. The zoom link will be sent to students upon registration.