Please use the following guide to help support you in determining what your Summer 2020 semester is going to look like at FIC. Contents of this guide are listed below:

• **Semester Guide**: Understanding the Full Summer Term, Intersession Term, and Summer Session

• **Course Delivery**: In-person classes, remote learning, or both!

• **Types of Learning**: Synchronous learning vs asynchronous learning

• **Study Load**: Minimum, maximum, and reduced course loads as well as course overloads

• **Which Option is Right for Me?**: Useful knowledge to consider

• **Enrolment Checklist for Returning & New Students**: A guideline for important dates

• **Additional Resources**: For more independent research afterward!
We wanted to ensure you have different options to continue your studies during the Summer 2020 semester. These options are available to allow you maximum flexibility and to guarantee that you can stay on your academic timeline.

### Full Summer Term

- **Start Date:** May 14, 2020
- **End Date:** August 23, 2020
- **Semester Length:** 15 weeks
- **Class Time:** 4 hours per course per week

### Intersession

- **Start Date:** May 14, 2020
- **End Date:** June 30, 2020
- **Semester Length:** 7 weeks
- **Class Time:** 8 hours per course per week

### Summer Session

- **Start Date:** July 6, 2020
- **End Date:** August 23, 2020
- **Semester Length:** 7 weeks
- **Class Time:** 8 hours per course per week

Intersession and Summer Session are academically intensive and will require a lot of focus and study time. Please keep that in mind when making your decision.

However, both the Intersession and Summer Session are full semesters, so those who are completing pre-requisite courses may be able to reduce their overall study time by one semester if they take full course loads in each session.

We are aware that some of these options are new to you and you may have questions. Please make sure to contact one of our [Student Success Advisors](#).
Course Delivery

In Person Delivery*

- Classes will occur in person at FIC (as soon as available)
- Classes will be scheduled at the same time each week
- Students must be in Canada when in-person classes begin

Remote Delivery*

- Classes will be delivered remotely
- They will be offered in both a synchronous and an asynchronous format
- Students may be anywhere in the world

*Please note that not all courses will be offered in all delivery methods
Types of Learning

What is Synchronous Learning?

- Synchronous remote courses, which are monitored by an instructor, are those that require students and instructors to be online at the same time.
- Lectures, discussions, and presentations occur at a specific hour.
- All students must be online at that specific hour in order to participate.

What is Asynchronous Learning?

- Asynchronous learning, which is monitored by an instructor, allows you to take courses remotely based on your schedule and time zone.
- Instructors provide materials, lectures, tests, and assignments, which can be accessed any time, assessing communication and writing skills.
- Students are given deadlines and a time frame in which they need to connect at least once or twice per week.

The following tools and resources will be used in both styles of remote instruction:

- Podcasts
- Video Conferencing
- Structure
- Chat
- Telephone
- Group Projects
- Virtual Libraries
- Interactive Technology
- E-mail
- Discussion Boards
- Social Networking
Types of Learning

Synchronous Remote Learning

- Interaction with instructors and fellow students
- Immediate feedback
- Ability to ask questions on course work instantaneously
- Rigour of course work remains at SFU standards

Points to Consider:
- Structured learning schedule overseen by instructor
- Weekly attendance required
- Live course work with participation required
- Students must be focused to complete course work

Asynchronous Remote Learning

- Students learn at their own pace with instructor supervision
- Accessible in any time zone
- More time to reflect on and understand course material
- Rigour of course work remains at SFU standards

Points to Consider:
- Answers and feedback dependent on time zone
- Contact with instructors and fellow students through technology
- Students must be self-disciplined
- Students must be focused to complete course work

Both synchronous and asynchronous remote learning options will allow you to keep your FIC academic program on track.
Flexible Study Options

In Summer 2020, you will have many different options to customize your studies by taking a combination of in-person and remote delivery courses. Below are some guidelines to help you plan the best options for you; however, there are many additional options to choose from!

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*Conditions apply and students may need to submit applications prior to qualify for Reduced Course Loads and Course Overloads.
Which Option is Right for Me?

Maximum Flexibility

• The summer offerings will allow for maximum flexibility to help you achieve your academic goals
• Keep studying while spending half or all of the summer outside of Vancouver
• Allows you the option to study while managing volunteer, work, and family commitments

Fast-Track Your Studies

• You can fast-track your studies by taking both Intersession and Summer Session
• Complete your pre-requisite courses and take the next level within one semester

Study Considerations

• Students typically only take 2 Intersession or Summer Session courses
• Please note, not all courses will be offered in all delivery methods
• Access to specific software may be needed to complete remote delivery courses
• Check with an immigration consultant if you are considering a reduced course load

See 3 different examples of ways students can complete pre-requisites:

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Enrolment Checklist For **Returning** Students

- Finish all of your classes on **April 10th** and final exams by **April 17th**
- Check your enrolment time on the Student Portal after **April 14th**
- Check the FIC Course Schedule for Summer starting **April 14th**
- See your final grades on the Student Portal starting **April 23rd**
- Begin enrolling in your classes starting **May 4th-6th**
- Start attending classes for Full Summer Term and Intersession on **May 14th**
- Last day to add/change Full Summer Term and Intersession classes **May 20th**
- Start attending classes for Summer Session on **July 6th**
- Last day to add/change Summer Session classes **July 12th**

**Further Considerations:**

- Start researching and course planning
- Decide how many courses to study
- Choose between in-person or remote delivery for your courses
- Confirm your plan with a Student Success Advisor
- Check your fee calculator before enrolment opens
- Have an awesome Summer semester!
Enrolment Checklist For New Students

- Attend a Pre-Arrival Webinar on April 6th or 7th
- Take the Math Assessment Placement test (if required)
- Check the FIC Course Schedule for Summer starting April 14th
- Begin enrolling in your classes starting April 16th
- Start attending classes for Full Summer Term and Intersession on May 14th
- Last day to add/change Full Summer Term and Intersession classes May 20th
- Start attending classes for Summer Session on July 6th
- Last day to add/change Summer Session classes July 12th

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Additional Resources

More questions about Summer 2020 Enrolment?

Chat with Student Success Advisors on live chat, video advising or by email!

Visit our “How to Enrol” page for the FIC Course Schedule & Course Planning Guide

Please check COVID-19 Updates and FAQs for the latest updates

New students can contact info@fraseric.ca with questions

Practice for the Math Assessment Placement test here