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MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION Senate

DATE December 13, 2018

FROM

Stephen Spector, Acting Chair Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries

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RE:

Annual Report

I am pleased to submit the Annual Report of the Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries (SPCSAB) for the fiscal year 2017/2018.

Overview

SPCSAB is the committee charged by Senate with setting policy for the administration of student awards, scholarships, bursaries and other forms of financial aid at SFU. This is primarily for university-administered funding. Three other Senate committees, namely SUAAC (Senate Undergraduate Awards Adjudication Committee), SGAAC (Senate Graduate Awards Adjudication Committee) and SCUH (Senate Committee on University Honors) adjudicate financial awards to students, where adjudication is needed. Financial Aid and Awards is a unit within Student Services, which processes and administers undergraduate scholarships and awards (entrance, athletic, in-course), government student loans (Canadian and US) and needs-based bursary and work-study programs (for both undergraduate and graduate students).

SPCSAB is not responsible for administering budgets for scholarships, awards, work-study or bursary programs. We include for information, reports from both undergraduate (Appendix 1) and graduate studies (Appendix 2) indicating how funds were distributed. Policy decisions by SPCSAB in the 2017-18 period are detailed in Table 1.

Attachments
Table 1
Appendix 1 – SPCSAB 18-09
Appendix 2 – SPCSAB 18-10

Table1: Actions of SPCSAB

January 2018	Terry Fox Gold Medal	eligibility of recipients to SFU students only and replace the tuition funding with a one-time award in the amount of \$5,000 along with a medal and plaque effective Spring 2018.
January 2018	Gordon M. Shrum Gold Medal	SPCSAB approved the changes to the Terms of Reference by removing the \$500 monetary value and to add requirement for supporting documentation effective Spring 2018.
January 2018	University-funded Athletics Awards	SPCSAB approved the following changes to the University-funded Athletics Awards: (a) the following current university-funded SFU athletic awards no longer be awarded o Recreation Promotion Awards (Athletics) o Athletic General Awards o SFU Athletic Scholarship o Rick Hansen Athletic Award o Athletic Entrance Award o Jack Diamond Entrance Award o Jack Diamond Athletic Award (b) funding be allocated to the new university general SFU Athletics Award effective Summer 2018. (c) that new SFU Athletic Awards terms of reference be approved effective Fall 2018.
January 2018	Provost International Fellowship	SPCSAB approved the changes to the Terms of Reference, effective Fall 2018, by removing clause 5 which reads: "PIF recipients are not eligible to receive other scholarship support from internal SFU sources e.g., major entrance scholarships (C.D. Nelson Scholarships), Graduate Fellowships (GFs), Special Graduate Entrance Scholarships (SGES), etc.), with the exception of private awards which are derived from annual and endowed funds."

Appendix 1 <u>Undergraduate Studies – Fiscal Years 2017-2018</u> Appendix 2 <u>Graduate Studies – Fiscal Years 2017/2018</u>



Financial Aid and Awards - Student Services

Disbursement Summary of Funding Administered or Supported through Financial Aid and Aware Comparative Report: Fiscal Year 2016/2017 vs. 2017/2018

Type of Financial Aid Support		Y 2016/20 urse: Tota	il Disbursements :	of Awards Disb	Y 2017/20 urse Tota)18 al Disbursemen
INTERNALLY MANAGED FINANCIAL AID AND AWARDS						
Entrance Scholarships and Awards (Undergraduate - University funded)	1,105	\$	3.805.559	1,108	s	2 704 00
Entrance Scholarships and Awards (Undergraduate - Annual/Endowed)	117	S	358,500	110	S	3,761,25 425.00
Subtotal	1,222	\$	4,164,059	1,218	\$	4,186,25
Open Scholarship (Undergraduate - University funded)	1,638	\$	1,802,550	1,762	s	1,873,09
In-Course Awards (Undergraduate - University funded)	406	S	373.020	388	S	378,00
n-Course Awards (Undergraduate - Annual/Endowed)	336	S	466,260	335	S	500,92
n-Course Scholarships (Undergraduate - Annual/Endowed)	374	\$	524,550	379	S	526,21
Subtotal	2,754	\$	3,166,380	2,864	S	3,278,22
Open Bursary (Undergraduate - Domestic - University funded)*	1,595	\$	1,784,356	1,363	S	1,570,49
Open Bursary (Undergraduate - International - University funded)	1,283	S	1,608,176	1,349	S	1,796,75
nternational Supplement Bursary (Undergraduate - University funded) ⁵	850	S	767,582	567	S	480.42
Open Bursary (Graduate - Domestic - University funded)	310	S	443,385	258	S	486,94
Open Bursary (Graduate - International - University funded)	445	S	594,090	413	S	673,75
Designated Bursary (University funded) ^c	148	S	371,852	125	S	293.16
Bursary (Graduate - Credit-based Programs - University funded)	101	S	131,386	99	S	164,76
Bursary (Undergraduate - Annual/Endowed) ^d	3,831	S	1,152,987	4.017	S	1,363,07
Bursary (Graduate - Annual/Endowed)	58	S	89,013	64	S	123,28
Subtotal	8,621	S	6,942,827	8,255	S	6,952,66
Athletics Awards (Undergraduate - University funded)*	425	S	629,531	437	s	675.23
Athletics Awards (Undergraduate - Annual/Endowed)	400	S	750.024	402	S	
Subtotal	825	\$	1,379,555	839	\$	1,314,782
Nork-Study Program (Undergraduate - University funded) ^a	353	S	540.149	344	\$	504.07
Nork-Study Program (Graduate - University funded) ²	69		400,000,000,000	25-20-0		534,077
Subtotal	422	\$	115.935 656,084	56 400	S	97,840 631,917
OTAL INTERNALLY MANAGED FINANCIAL AID AND AWARDS	13,844	5	16,308,905	13,576	S	
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EXTERNALLY MANAGED OR SUPPORTED FINANCIAL AID AND AWARDS						
tudentAid BC Loans and Grants ^h	25,315	S	43,920,401	25,621	S	47,905,294
ubtotal	25,315	S	43,920,401	25,621	\$	47,905,294
out of Province Loans and Grants	1,318	S	5.096.860	1,583	S	5,529,738
J.S. Loan Awards	355	\$	1,338,476	353	\$	1,490,146
Subtotal	1,673	S	6,435,336	1,936	5	7,019,882
boriginal Emergency Assistance	43	S	25,835	26	\$	14,700
ubtotal	43	S	25,835	26	\$	14,700
on-SFU Administered External Scholarships, Awards, and Bursaries	312	\$	499,009	298	S	443,805
Subtotal	312	\$	499,009	298	S	443,805
thletics Awards (B.C. Athletic Assistance Program)	56	S	55,110	38	\$	55,392
ubtotal	56	S	55.440	0.0		
OTAL EXTERNALLY MANAGED OR SUPPORTED FINANCIAL AID AND AW	// 27,399	3	55,110 50,935,691	38	\$	55,392

- (a) Bursary Open includes funding for World University Services of Canada (WUSC) student and other university funded bursaries
- (b) Bursary International Student Supplement (new from 2015/16) Recognizing that international tuition fees had increased significantly
- over a 3 year period, to help with these increased costs, undergraduate students admitted in the 2014/15 academic year or earlier were provided a special bursary, the International Student Bursary Supplement.

- (c) Bursary Designated includes Field School, Exchange, International Co-op, Aboriginal (Ugrad/Grad), Youth in Care, SFU Intl Emergency Assistance
- (d) Now includes # of awards disbursed for SFSS BuildSFU Bursary which was created in Spring 2014
- (e) The University funding for athletic awards includes athletic entrance awards, recreation awards, international student-athlete awards, and female student athlete awards.
- (f) Externally fund-raised Athletic Awards were combined with the Annual/Endowed Athletic Awards category from 2015/16 onwards.
- (g) Work-Study hourly wage for 2017-18 fiscal was \$12.25. It has been moved up to \$15.20 (starting Summer 2018 onwards).
- (h) StudentAid BC funding for full-time and part-time students including any federal and provincial loan funding along with possible grant funding. Number awarded includes same student receiving more than one loan in the year.
- (i) Non-SFU administered external financial aid and awards normally just requires proof of enrollment from institution. Funds are then disbursed to the student's SFU account.

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Attention: Senate Policy Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries (SPCSAB)

Date: November 1, 2018

Financial Summary of Graduate Scholarship, Bursaries and Awards (SBA) Budget

Scholarship and Awards Budget: the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies received \$7,922,580 for the FY2017/18 Graduate SBA Budget. We had a carry forward balance of \$491,401 from the FY2016/17.



Financial Summary of Graduate Scholarships/ Bursaries/ Awards (SBA) Budget Fiscal Year 2017/2018

BUDGET

Budget Allocation for FY2017/2018 Add: Scholarship funds carryforward Balance from FY2016/2017 7,922,580.00 491,401.00

Total SBA Budget for FY2017/2018

8,413,981.00

EXPENSES (by academic term)

		Summer 2017		Fall 2017		Spr	ing 2018	Total for FY2017/2018		
Name of Award	Value of Award	Number of Award Payments	Expensed in Term (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Expensed in Term (\$)	Number of Award Payment s	Expensed in Term (\$)	Total number of award payments	Total Expensed in FY17/18 (\$)	
C.D. Nelson Scholarships ⁽¹⁾	up to \$18,000 annually	45	288,000.00	49	336,000.00	41	270,000.00	135	894,000.00	
Graduate Dean Entrance Scholarships	up to \$21,000 annually	28	114,875.00	53	325,834.00	55	336,208.00	136	776,917.00	
Graduate Fellowships	\$3,250 or \$6,500	229	1,287,000.00	335	1,849,250.00	244	1,257,750.00	808	4,394,000.00	
Graduate Fellowships (Supplemental)	\$3,250 or \$6,500	2	13,000.00	7	45,500.00	8	45,500.00	17	104,000.00	
President's PhD Scholarship	\$6,500	18	117,000.00	11	71,500.00	8	52,000.00	37	240,500.00	
Special Graduate Entrance Scholarships - General	\$1,000- \$10,000	10	57,786.00	102	357,650.00	10	51,000.00	122	466,436.00	
Provost Scholarships	\$5,000 annually	93	136,669.00	95	139,067.00	86	122,002.00	274	397,738.00	
Travel & Minor Research Awards	varies	185	149,030.00	65	41,838.00	165	143,197.00	415	334,065.00	
Graduate International Research Travel Awards	\$1,000- \$6,500	10	48,930.00	1	6,500.00	4	8,600.00	15	64,030.00	
Dean's Leadership Travel Award	\$1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85	
Indigenous Graduate Student Travel Award	varies	3	3,300	0	0	6	5,130.00	9	8,430.00	
Graduate Aboriginal Entrance Scholarships	\$15,000- \$18,000	5	30,000.00	5	30,000.00	5	30,000.00	15	90,000.00	
Internal Graduate Award	\$1,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	;-	
Totals		628	2,245,590.00	723	3,203,139.00	632	2,321,387.00	1,983	7,770,116.00	

Total Expenses in FY2017/2018

7,770,116.00

BALANCE

Additions to Scholarship Account (e.g., GGSF funding, VPR office for Supplemental GF) Net Balance at Fiscal Year End (March 31, 2018) 42,092.86 685,957.86

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(1) These scholarships are paid over multiple terms and may include students receiving their first scholarship payment in previous fiscal years. The total expenses on this report reflects the number of payments made this fiscal year.



Summary of Graduate Scholarships/Bursaries/Awards (SBA) Base Budget Allocations Five-Year Overview: Fiscal Years 2014/2015 through 2018/2019

FY2014/2015 Base Budget - approved by BoG	6,772,236
No adjustments for FY2014/2015	
FY2014/2015 Graduate Students Unique headcount (based on IRP data)	5,339
FY2015/2016 Base Budget - approved by BoG	6,947,236
Adjustments for FY2015/2016:	
Add: base budget increase	175,000
FY2015/2016 Graduate Students Unique headcount (based on IRP data)	5,368
FY2016/2017 Base Budget - approved by BoG	7,767,236
Adjustments for FY2016/2017:	
Add: base budget increase	820,000
FY2016/2017 Graduate Students Unique headcount (based on IRP data)	5,420
FY2017/2018 Base Budget - approved by BoG	7,922,580
Adjustments for FY2017/2018:	
Add: base budget increase	155,344
FY2017/2018 Graduate Students Unique headcount (based on IRP data)	4,444
FY2018/2019 Base Budget - approved by BoG	8,922,580
Adjustments for FY2018/2019:	
Add: base budget increase	1,000,000



Expense Summary of Graduate Award Funds Administered by Dean of Graduate Studies Three-Year Overview: Fiscal Years 2015/2016 through 2017/2018

	FY2	FY2016/2017		FY2015/2016			
Name and Type of Award	Award Duration/Value (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Total Expenses (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Expenses	Number of Award Payments	Tota Expense: (\$
INTERNALLY-FUNDED GRADUATE AWARDS							
Graduate scholarships/fellowships/awards funded by Graduate SBA budget							
C.D. Nelson Scholarships	18,000/yr (1-2yrs)	135	894,000.00	172	1,082,250.00	200	1,132,250.0
Graduate Dean's Entrance Scholarships (non existing prior to FY2016/2017)	21,000 (2-4yrs)	136	776,917.00	62	265,750,00	0	0
Graduate Fellowships (1)	3,250-6,500	808	4,394,000.00	935	5,008,250,00	816	4,485,125.0
Graduate Fellowships Supplemental	3,250-6,500	17	104,000.00	26	178,750.00	36	221,750.0
President's PhD Scholarships	\$6,500	37	240.500.00	37	240,500.00	48	308,500,0
Special Graduate Entrance Scholarships	varies (avg 3,000)	122	466,436.00	104	383,924.00	80	352,350.00
Provost Scholarships	5,000/yr (1-3yrs)	274	397,738.00	313	543,997.00	305	540,331.0
Travel & Minor Research Awards (2)	varies (avg 500)	415	334,065.00	477	302,954.00	461	
Graduate International Research Travel Awards	1,000-6,500	15	64,030.00	19	70,520.00	18	318,708.00 77,427.00
Dean's Leadership Travel Award	1,000	0	0,00	2	2,000.00	1	
Indigenous Graduate Student Travel Award (formerly Graduate Aboriginal Travel Stipend)		9		1			1,000.00
Graduate Aboriginal Entrance Scholarships	varies (avg \$700) \$18,000/yr (2yrs) \$21,000/yr (4 yrs)	15	90,000.00	15	700.00	16	90,000.0
Internal Graduate Award	1,750	0	0.00	3	5,250.00	0	0
Graduate scholarships/fellowships/awards funded by Graduate SBA budget		1,983	7,770,116.00	2,166	8,172,845.00	1,983	7,529,363,98
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Graduate scholarships/fellowships funded by Faculties/Schools							
Faculty of Applied Sciences Graduate Fellowships	3,250	15	48,750.00	22	71,500.00	17	54,750.00
Faculty of Business Administration Graduate Scholarships	varies	27	106,000.00	28	96,760.00	25	74,000.00
Faculty of Communication, Art & Technology Graduate Fellowships	3,250	6	19,500.00	13	42,250.00	7	22,500.00
Faculty of Education Graduate Scholarships	3,250-6,500	9	32,500.00	12	42,250.00	8	29,250.00
Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Scholarships	varies	69	142,818.00	74	203,770.00	72	189,850.00
School of Computing Science Graduate Fellowships/Scholarships	3,250-6,500	24	181,300.00	103	707,800.00	46	292,000.00
School of Interactive Arts and Technology Graduate Fellowships	6,500	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Global Communication Scholarship	varies	23	57,501.00	13	41,536.00	12	45,999.00
Graduate Liberal Studies Scholarship	varies	4	23,000.00	5	27,000.00	7	19,500.00
SFU Research Partnership Scholarship	26,340	6	52,680.00	2	52,680.00	1	17,560.0
Ben-Gurion University / SFU Joint Scholarship	varies	0	0	0	0	1	2,000.0
Graduate scholarships/fellowships funded by Faculties/Schools		183	664,049.00	272	1,285,546.00	196	747,409.00
Other internally-funded awards							
Private Awards (supported by endowments & annual donations)	varies	420	1,667,735,00	407	1,527,845,00	330	1 201 450 00
CTEF Graduate Fellowships (supported by Community Trust Endowment Fund)	6,500	12	78,000.00	14	91,000.00	11	1,261,450.00
KEY Graduate Scholarship	6,500	16	104,000.00	0	0 91,000.00	0	0 84,500.00
KEY Big Data USRA	2,250-4,500	21	90,000.00	0	0	0	0
VPR USRA Science (3)	4,500	55	244,125,00	57			
VPR USRA Social Science and Humanities (3)					256,500.00	58	261,000.00
	2,250-4,500	45	135,000.00	45	147,375.00	42	141,750.00
Other USRA's (6)	varies	4	16,000.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Other internally-funded awards		569	2,334,860.00	523	2,022,720.00	441	1,748,700.00
TOTAL INTERNALLY-FUNDED GRADUATE AWARDS		2,735	10,769,025.00	2,961	11,481,111.00	2,620	10,025,472.98



Expense Summary of Graduate Award Funds Administered by Dean of Graduate Studies Three-Year Overview: Fiscal Years 2015/2016 through 2017/2018

	FY2	FY2017/2018				FY2015/2016	
Name and Type of Award	Award Duration/Value (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Total Expenses (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Total Expenses (\$)	Number of Award Payments	Tota Expenses (\$
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National scholarships funded by Federal funding agencies							
NSERC Graduate Scholarships	17,500-50,000 (1-4yrs)	213	1,892,508.00	220	1,930,504.00	197	1,702,016.00
NSERC Industrial Post-Grad Scholarships (excludes industrial portion) Discontinued	15,000	3	15,000.00	16	80,000,00		131,250.00
SSHRC Graduate Scholarships	17,500-50,000 (1-4yrs)	329	2,719,155.00	347	2.843.352.00	330	2,772,117.00
CIHR Graduate Scholarships	17,500-50,000 (1-4yrs)	57	488,333.00	77	671,666.00	88	764,175.00
Canada Graduate Scholarships-M. Smith Foreign Study Supplements	5,300-6,000	6	35,900.00	7	37,280.00	5	28,749.00
NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards	4,500	65	292,500.00	79	355,500,00	72	324,000.00
National scholarships funded by Federal funding agencies		673	5,443,396.00	746	5,918,302.00	719	5,722,307.00
Major scholarships funded by Provincial funding agencies							
Pacific Institute Climate Solutions Graduate Fellowships	12,000-18,000 (1-4yrs)	7	46,000.00	12	81,500.00	31	137,500.00
Major scholarships funded by Provincial funding agencies		7	46,000.00	12	81,500.00	31	137,500.00
Other externally-funded awards and grants							
NSERC IPGS Industrial Sponsorships (contributed by industrial partners) Discontinued.	6,000	3	6,000.00	16	32,000.00	27	52,500.00
External Awards	varies	53	225,868.00	47	277,186.00		205,175.00
Northern Scientific Training Program Grants	varies	7	11,735.49	6	16,400.00		15,661,40
Centre for Digital Media Scholarships (MDM program)	varies	54	281,500.00	51	294,000.00	36	317,500.00
NSERC and SSHRC GGSF Expenses (4)	varies	varies	26,000.00	varies	45,500.00	varies	45,646,37
CIHR Health Research Awards (5)	varies	10	13,046.00	12	31,239.00	7	24,900.00
Other externally-funded awards	La Manager and the second	127	564,149.49	132	696,325.00	131	661,382.77
TOTAL EXTERNALLY-FUNDED GRADUATE AWARDS		807	6,053,545.49	890	6,696,127.00	881	6,521,189.77
TOTAL GRADUATE AWARD FUNDS EXPENSED BY FISCAL YEAR		3,542	16,822,570.49	3,851	18,177,238.00	3,501	16,546,662,75



Expense Summary of Graduate Award Funds Administered by Dean of Graduate Studies Three-Year Overview: Fiscal Years 2015/2016 through 2017/2018

NOTES

- (1) The total number of Graduate Fellowships reflects the number of award payments made to graduate students within the fiscal year. Starting Fall 2015, the value for one GF increased to \$6,500
- (2) In Fiscal years 2013 to 2016, there were two options to receive funds for the Travel & Minor Research Awards program. Departments could choose to pay the funds directly to the students and be reimbursed by Graduate Studies at the end of the academic year, or Graduate Studies would pay the funds directly to students via the Student Information System as a scholarship.
- (3) The figures for the VPR USRA in FY2014-15 includes a few awards that started in Spring 2015, but continued into the Summer 2015 term.
- (4) The NSERC & SSHRC GGSF expenses usually consists of reimbursement for various GF supplemental awards spending.
- (5) The CIHR Health Research Awards includes the CIHR Health Professional Student Awards, the CIHR Health Research Community Awards and the CIHR travel awards.
- (6) Other USRA's consist of: BPK Fac Undergrad Res Award; BPK Len Brownlie USRA; Charles Allard USRA; Faculty of Science USRA