

TUITION FEE ANALYSIS

2019-2020



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GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STUDENT TUITION AND FEES

Selkirk College uses a set of Guiding Principles for the establishment of tuition and fees. Any tuition and supplementary fee increases are required to be in accordance with Government Policy. These principles include:

1. AFFORDABILITY

The potential impact of further increases, the economy in our region and the need to attract and retain students will be considered when determining fee amounts

2. COMPARABILITY

Full-time tuition fees continue to be comparable on a system-wide and neighbouring institution basis. The college will work toward a supplementary fee structure that is more comparable system-wide by reviewing our method of charging tuition fees by contact hour rather than by credit for the purpose of increasing comparability. Community education, workplace training and advanced programs/courses will have fees that are based on market rates.

3. ACCESS AND QUALITY FOR STUDENTS

The sustainability of access to and quality of programs and student services will be a primary consideration when determining fees.

4. PROGRAM AND SERVICE DELIVERY COSTS

Program and curriculum content will be reviewed for efficiencies without impacting quality. Supplementary fees will be assessed when required and will reflect the costs associated with programs, courses or student services.

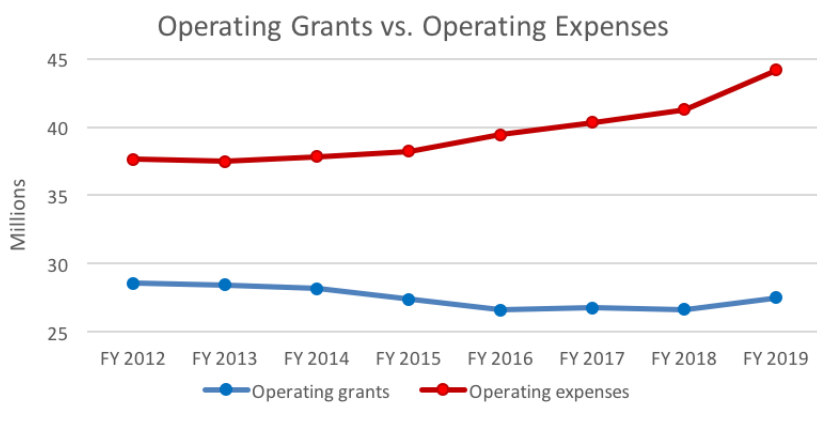
5. EASY TO UNDERSTAND

Fees will be reported in two categories: tuition fees and supplementary fees. Appropriate communication processes will be employed to involve and inform students and staff.

SUMMARY OF PROVINCIAL POLICY REGARDING TUITION AND FEES

TUITION LIMIT POLICY

In September 2005, the B.C. Government introduced the Tuition Limit Policy, which limited tuition and supplementary fee increases to an average rate of inflation, as represented by the consumer price index (CPI). Since the introduction of this policy, domestic tuition fee increases have been limited to two percent per year. The BC Provincial Tuition Limit Policy remained in place for the 2019/20 fiscal year.



POST-SECONDARY FUNDING AT SELKIRK COLLEGE

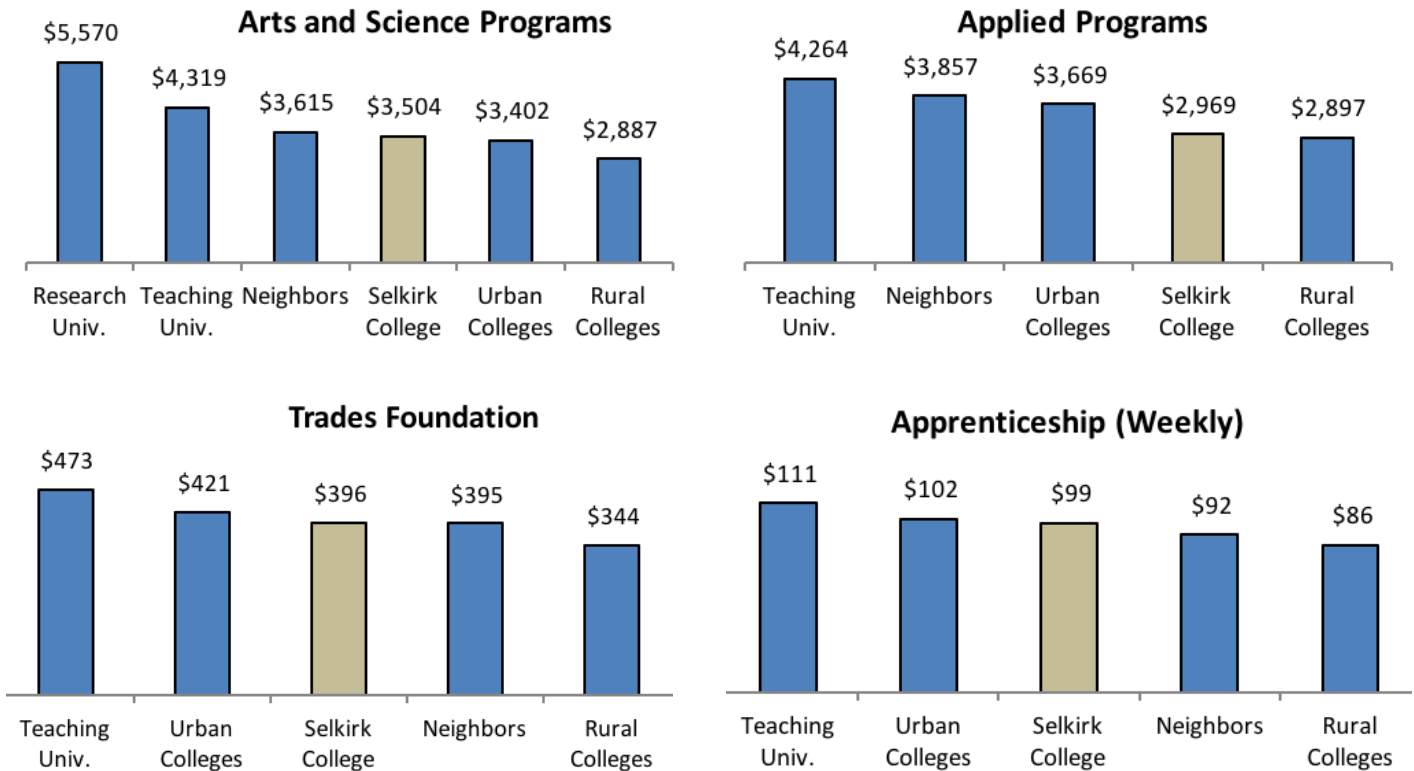
The disparity between public post secondary operating grants and operating expenses continues to grow across the province. Specifically, Selkirk College's operating grant has decreased by 3.6% over the last 7 years while operating expenses have increased by 17.3%. A 2% increase to domestic tuition generates an additional approximately \$100,000 revenue to the institution for funding programs and services. The individual impact to each student is in the \$60-\$80/ year range.

TUITION COMPARISONS IN THE BC PUBLIC POST SECONDARY SYSTEM

TUITION FEE COMPARISONS

Selkirk College continues to have among the lowest tuition fees for University Transfer, Applied Programs and Trades programs.

DOMESTIC TUITION RATES IN BC



Note: Foundation tuition is calculated monthly.
Apprenticeship is calculated weekly, all other program areas are calculated based on an academic year.

Source: Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.

For the purpose of this analysis, the following comparison groups were utilized:

URBAN COLLEGES

- BCIT
- Camosun College
- Douglas College
- Langara College
- Okanagan College
- Vancouver Community College

RURAL COLLEGES

- Coast Mountain College
- College of New Caledonia
- College of the Rockies
- Nicola Valley Institute
- North Island College
- Northern Lights College

TEACHING UNIVERSITIES

- Capilano University
- Kwantlen University
- Thompson Rivers University
- University of Fraser Valley
- Vancouver Island University

RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES

- Simon Fraser University
- University of B.C.¹
- University of Victoria
- University of Northern B.C.

NEIGHBOURS

- College of the Rockies
- Okanagan College
- Thompson Rivers University

DOMESTIC TUITION RATES IN BC - CONTINUED

Comparative data for first year university arts programming for BC public institutions.

Annual Tuition Fees for Arts Program - Full-Time Domestic Students by Economic Development Region											
<i>BC Public Post-Secondary Institutions, Academic Year (AY) 2009/10 to 2018/19</i>											
Published Date: January 2019											
Economic Development Region	Institution	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Mainland/Southwest											
	British Columbia Institute of Technology	\$4,753	\$4,848	\$4,945	\$5,043	\$5,144	\$5,247	\$5,350	\$5,455	\$5,563	\$5,674
	Capilano University	\$3,270	\$3,335	\$3,402	\$3,470	\$3,539	\$3,610	\$3,683	\$3,756	\$3,831	\$3,908
	Douglas College	\$2,607	\$2,658	\$2,712	\$2,766	\$2,820	\$2,874	\$2,931	\$2,990	\$3,050	\$3,110
	Emily Carr University of Art and Design	\$3,434	\$3,503	\$3,572	\$3,642	\$3,714	\$3,788	\$3,864	\$3,942	\$4,021	\$4,101
	Justice Institute of British Columbia	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$4,376	\$4,463	\$4,552	\$4,644	\$4,737	\$4,831	\$4,928
	Kwantlen Polytechnic University	\$3,564	\$3,635	\$3,707	\$3,780	\$3,855	\$3,932	\$4,010	\$4,089	\$4,170	\$4,253
	Langara College	\$2,448	\$2,498	\$2,547	\$2,598	\$2,649	\$2,702	\$2,756	\$2,811	\$2,867	\$2,924
	Simon Fraser University	\$4,719	\$4,815	\$4,914	\$5,013	\$5,115	\$5,217	\$5,322	\$5,428	\$5,537	\$5,648
	University of British Columbia	\$4,430	\$4,518	\$4,608	\$4,700	\$4,794	\$4,890	\$4,988	\$5,088	\$5,190	\$5,294
	University of the Fraser Valley	\$3,641	\$3,713	\$3,788	\$3,864	\$3,941	\$4,020	\$4,100	\$4,182	\$4,266	\$4,351
	Vancouver Community College	\$2,265	\$2,288	\$2,333	\$2,381	\$2,428	\$2,477	\$2,528	\$2,577	\$2,628	\$2,681
Vancouver Island/Coast											
	Camosun College	\$2,858	\$2,915	\$2,973	\$3,033	\$3,093	\$3,155	\$3,218	\$3,283	\$3,348	\$3,415
	North Island College	\$2,481	\$2,531	\$2,581	\$2,633	\$2,685	\$2,738	\$2,793	\$2,849	\$2,905	\$2,963
	Royal Roads University	\$6,040	\$6,160	\$6,280	\$6,405	\$6,530	\$6,660	\$6,790	\$6,925	\$7,060	\$7,200
	University of Victoria	\$4,673	\$4,766	\$4,862	\$4,959	\$5,058	\$5,159	\$5,262	\$5,368	\$5,475	\$5,585
	Vancouver Island University	\$3,710	\$3,784	\$3,859	\$3,936	\$4,015	\$4,095	\$4,177	\$4,261	\$4,346	\$4,433
Kootenay											
	College of the Rockies	\$2,302	\$2,348	\$2,394	\$2,442	\$2,491	\$2,540	\$2,591	\$2,643	\$2,695	\$2,749
	Selkirk College	\$2,395	\$2,443	\$2,492	\$2,542	\$2,592	\$2,644	\$2,697	\$2,751	\$2,802	\$2,855
Cariboo											
	College of New Caledonia	\$2,331	\$2,376	\$2,376	\$2,421	\$2,466	\$2,516	\$2,565	\$2,616	\$2,669	\$2,722
	University of Northern British Columbia	\$4,449	\$4,538	\$4,629	\$4,722	\$4,816	\$4,913	\$5,011	\$5,111	\$5,213	\$5,318
North											
	Coast Mountain College	\$2,338	\$2,385	\$2,432	\$2,481	\$2,531	\$2,581	\$2,633	\$2,686	\$2,739	\$2,794
	Northern Lights College	\$2,723	\$2,777	\$2,831	\$2,887	\$2,943	\$3,002	\$3,060	\$3,119	\$3,181	\$3,244
Thompson Okanagan											
	Nicola Valley Institute of Technology	\$2,152	\$2,195	\$2,239	\$2,284	\$2,329	\$2,376	\$2,423	\$2,472	\$2,521	\$2,572
	Okanagan College	\$3,078	\$3,078	\$3,078	\$3,140	\$3,203	\$3,267	\$3,332	\$3,277	\$3,343	\$3,410
	Thompson Rivers University	\$3,539	\$3,610	\$3,682	\$3,755	\$3,830	\$3,907	\$3,985	\$4,064	\$4,145	\$4,228

Source: Data submissions from the BC public PSIs to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, 2018

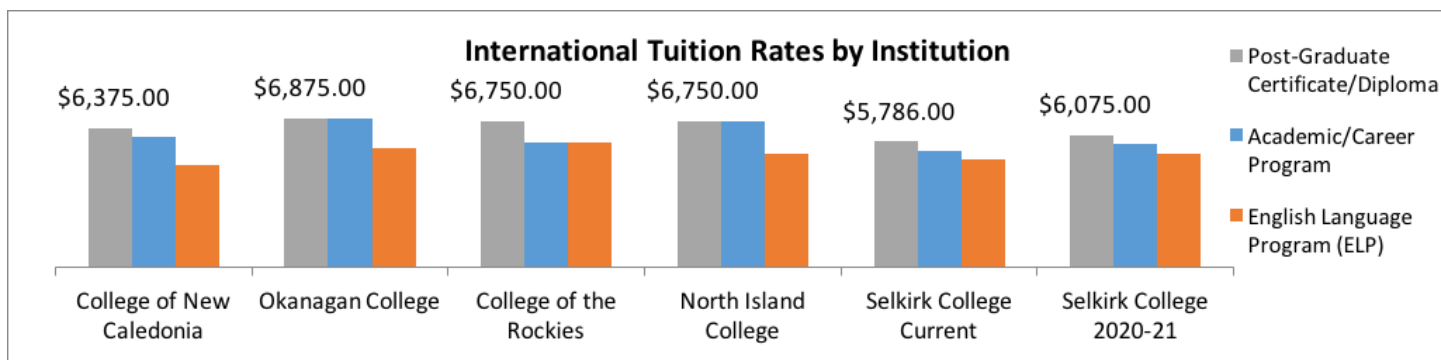
Notes:

1. In 2005, the BC Government introduced a tuition limit policy under which domestic tuition fee increases for public post-secondary institutions are limited to two percent per year.
2. Academic Year (AY) is from September 1 to August 31.
3. Tuition fees are based on two semesters (5 courses each semester) for a typical Arts student.
4. Justice Institute of British Columbia started offering an undergraduate degree (Bachelor of Emergency and Security Management Studies) in 2012/13.
5. Royal Roads University tuition data are based on the Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science program.
6. The North Region includes the Northeast, North Coast, and Nechako economic development regions.

TUITION COMPARISONS IN THE BC PUBLIC POST SECONDARY SYSTEM

INTERNATIONAL TUITION RATES IN BC

Selkirk International tuition remains the lowest as compared to neighbouring institutions. There will be a slight increase in international tuition for the 2020-21 academic year.



Multi-comparator data for international base tuition across the BC Public system

Economic Development Region	Institution	AY 2011/12	AY 2012/13	AY 2013/14	AY 2014/15	AY 2015/16	AY 2016/17	AY 2017/18	AY 2018/19
Mainland/Southwest									
	British Columbia Institute of Technology	\$16,352	\$17,611	\$17,963	\$18,323	\$18,688	\$19,060	\$19,441	\$19,828
	Capilano University	\$14,250	\$15,000	\$15,750	\$16,170	\$16,500	\$16,830	\$17,160	\$17,490
	Douglas College	\$13,500	\$14,400	\$15,000	\$15,300	\$15,600	\$15,900	\$17,400	\$17,400
	Emily Carr University of Art and Design	\$14,400	\$15,000	\$15,600	\$16,224	\$16,873	\$17,885	\$18,600	\$19,158
	Justice Institute of British Columbia	N/A	\$13,127	\$13,390	\$13,658	\$13,931	\$14,210	\$14,493	\$14,783
	Kwantlen Polytechnic University	\$13,800	\$15,000	\$15,750	\$15,750	\$16,500	\$16,830	\$17,166	\$19,741
	Langara College	\$15,750	\$16,500	\$16,950	\$16,950	\$16,950	\$17,700	\$17,700	\$17,700
	Simon Fraser University	\$15,915	\$16,236	\$17,862	\$19,648	\$21,613	\$22,046	\$22,928	\$23,845
	University of British Columbia	\$21,963	\$22,622	\$23,300	\$23,999	\$26,399	\$30,359	\$34,847	\$36,588
	University of the Fraser Valley	\$11,790	\$12,720	\$13,350	\$14,700	\$15,600	\$16,100	\$16,620	\$17,160
	Vancouver Community College	\$12,334	\$13,568	\$14,517	\$14,808	\$14,808	\$15,104	\$15,406	\$15,714
Vancouver Island/Coast									
	Camosun College	\$12,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000
	North Island College	\$10,710	\$10,710	\$11,770	\$11,770	\$11,770	\$12,480	\$12,730	\$12,984
	Royal Roads University	\$12,565	\$16,000	\$16,320	\$16,640	\$17,880	\$19,200	\$19,995	\$20,390
	University of Victoria	\$15,730	\$16,045	\$16,366	\$16,693	\$17,027	\$17,368	\$18,062	\$21,675
	Vancouver Island University	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$13,200	\$13,200	\$13,920	\$13,920	\$15,240	\$15,240
Kootenay									
	College of the Rockies	\$8,194	\$8,194	\$8,483	\$8,869	\$8,869	\$9,351	\$9,640	\$10,311
	Selkirk College	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$8,840	\$8,840	\$9,200	\$9,200	\$9,800	\$9,800
Cariboo									
	College of New Caledonia	\$11,490	\$11,490	\$11,490	\$11,490	\$11,490	\$11,950	\$11,950	\$11,950
	University of Northern British Columbia	\$16,203	\$16,527	\$16,857	\$17,194	\$17,538	\$17,889	\$18,247	\$18,612
North									
	Coast Mountain College	\$7,444	\$7,444	\$7,592	\$7,744	\$7,899	\$8,057	\$11,642	\$11,875
	Northern Lights College	\$8,075	\$8,250	\$8,250	\$8,850	\$8,852	\$8,852	\$8,852	\$8,852
Thompson Okanagan									
	Nicola Valley Institute of Technology	\$9,869	\$9,869	\$9,869	\$9,869	\$10,067	\$10,268	\$10,474	\$10,683
	Okanagan College	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,880	\$12,120	\$12,360	\$12,980	\$13,750
	Thompson Rivers University	\$13,800	\$13,800	\$15,800	\$15,800	\$15,800	\$16,800	\$16,800	\$16,800

Source: Data submissions from the BC public PSIs to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, 2018

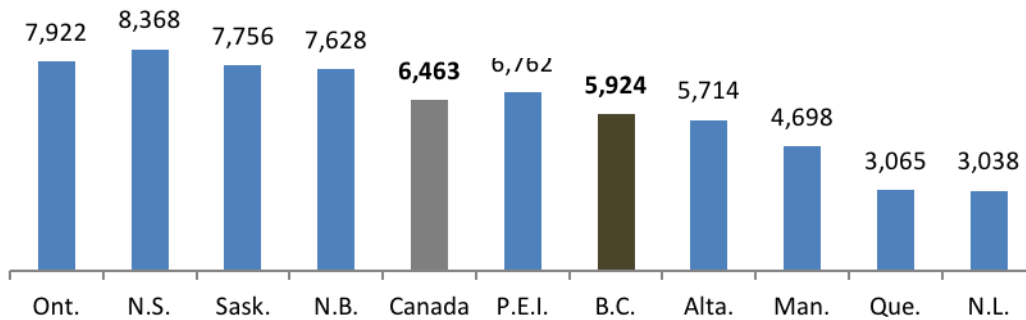
Notes:

1. Academic Year (AY) is from September 1 to August 31.
2. Tuition fees are based on two semesters (5 courses each semester) for a typical Arts student.
3. International tuition reported here for Emily Carr University of Art and Design is based on a 36 credit program. A 30 credit program is also offered with international tuition set at \$15,965.40 in 2018/19.
4. International tuition for the Justice Institute of British Columbia is based on a Bachelor of Emergency and Security Management Studies. A second program is offered for a Bachelor of Law Enforcement Studies with international tuition set at \$18,509 in 2018/19.
5. International tuition for Royal Roads University is based on an undergraduate degree in Environmental Science.
6. For interprovincial comparisons see Statistics Canada [Table 37-10-1 Canadian and International Tuition Fees by Level of Study](#).
7. Discrepancy between the provincial tuition data and the Statistics Canada tuition data are the result of methodological differences including weighting, program inclusion and included institutions.

TUITION TRENDS IN CANADA

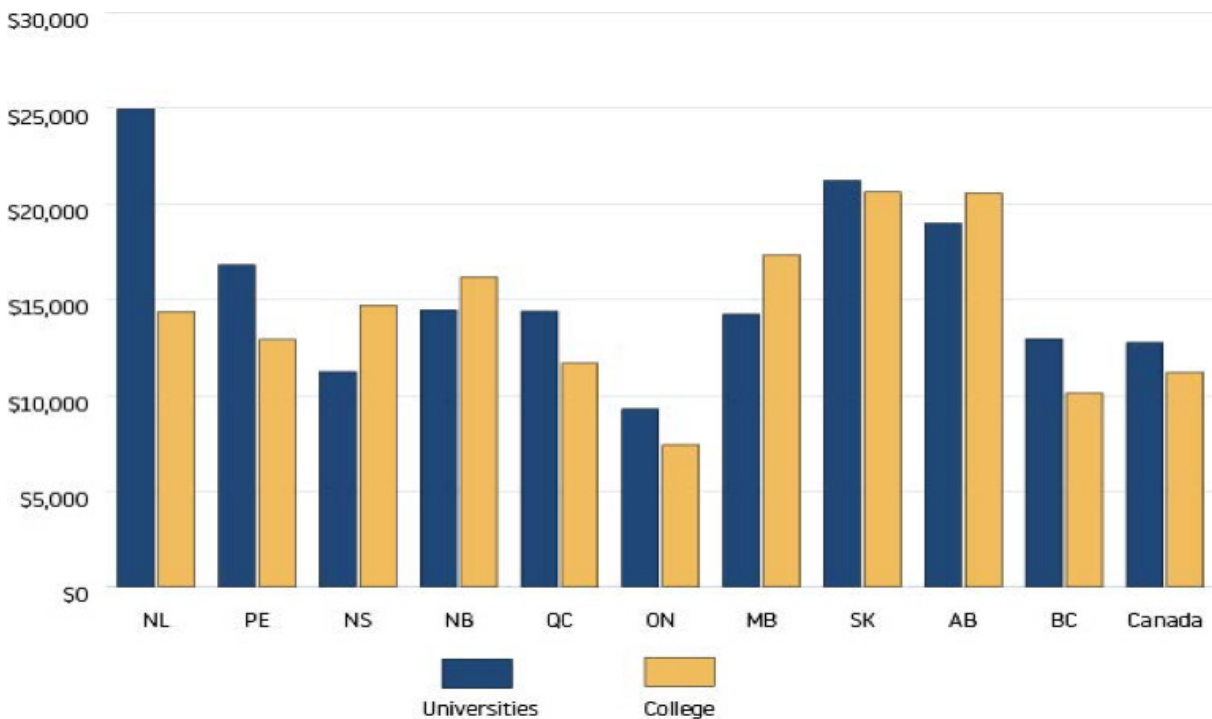
Statistics Canada reported average annual undergraduate tuition ranging from \$3,038 in Newfoundland to \$7,922 in Ontario. Although tuition fees increased in B.C. from \$5,782 in 2018/2019 to \$5,924 in 2019/2020, B.C. has now moved from fourth lowest tuition amount to being above Alberta with the fifth lowest tuition amount when compared to other provinces. Most provinces and territories have seen year on year increases in tuition.

Undergraduate Tuition Fees for Full Time Canadian Students by Province 2019/20



Source: Statistics Canada, Centre for Education Statistics, Undergraduate Tuition Fees 2019/20

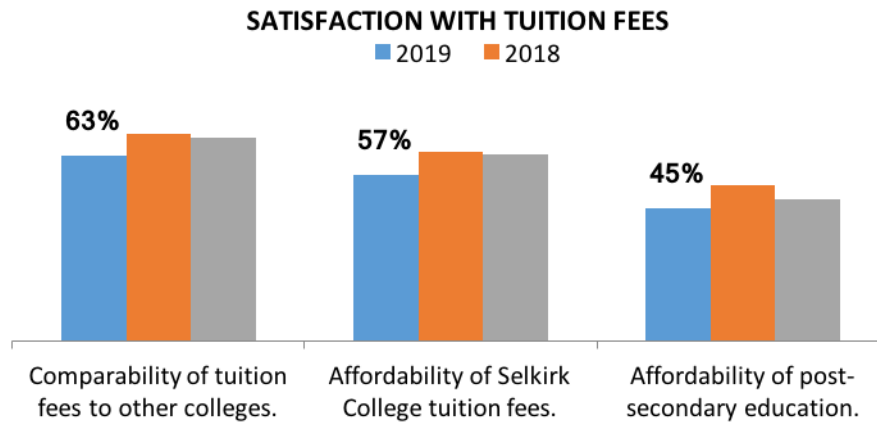
Across Canada, provinces and territories receive government funding to universities and colleges per student full-time equivalent (FTE). When comparing to other institutions in Canada, BC Colleges remain one of the lowest for provincial government transfers to other institutions.



Source: Higher Education Strategy Associates, The State of Post-Secondary Education in Canada, Provincial Expenditures per FTE Student, in 2016-17

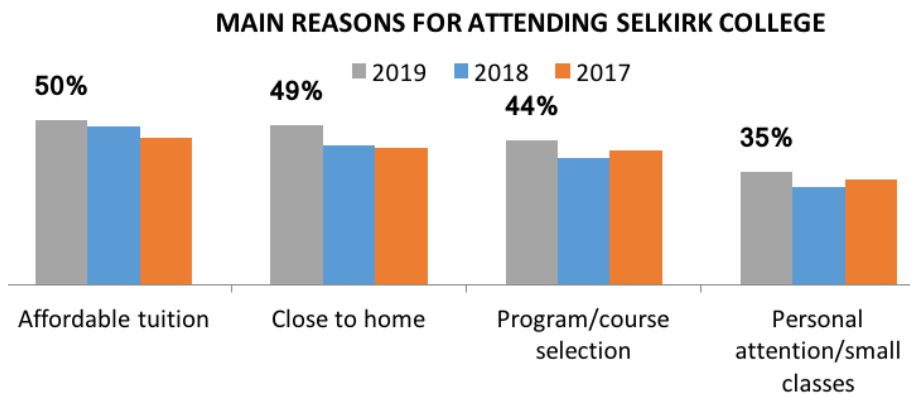
STUDENT FEEDBACK

Students indicate year over year satisfaction with Selkirk College Tuition rates. The annual Student Engagement Survey is the primary source of internal feedback.



Source: 2019 Selkirk College Student Engagement Survey, Domestic Students Only

Fifty percent (50%) of students cite affordable tuition as one of the main reasons for choosing Selkirk College for their studies, representing an increase of one percent (1%) from 2018.



Source: 2019 Selkirk College Student Engagement Survey, Domestic Students Only

STUDENT SERVICES FEE (2016)

In 2016, the Selkirk College Board approved a new Student Service Fee (4.5% of tuition). The basis for implementing this new fee was to respond to increasing need for additional supports for students in primarily health and transition to employment. Revenue generated from the fee is combined with any one-time grants for these services received from Government. The fee has been a very effective means of enhancing and sustaining student supports including:

- Providing mental health interventions, additional supports, and educational programming through the development of a Campus Life Coordinator role and a Healthy Campus plan and Mental Health Framework (aligned with the Okanagan Charter); <http://selkirk.ca/sites/default/files/Healthy%20Campus%20Initiatives/SC-HC-MentalHealthWellBeing-2019-09-13%20F.pdf>
- Participation in provincial Violence Free BC policies and initiatives to prevent and respond to the issue of sexual violence on campus and implement strategies and plans;
- Sustained implementation of enhanced employment services and promotion of the Career Portal to connect all students, international and domestic with employers. This includes Coop positions, part-time work, post-graduation employment, and Workstudy positions;
- Implementation of the student Ambassador program to provide additional employment-related work experiences and opportunities for student engagement; and
- Development and implementation of the co-curricular record transcript to document volunteerism and extra curricular learning.

ADDITIONAL INTERNAL FINANCIAL SUPPORTS FOR SELKIRK COLLEGE STUDENTS

FINANCIAL AID

The Financial Aid Office at Selkirk College assists students and prospective students in seeking and securing financial assistance to enable them to pursue their scholastic objectives. Student financial assistance is available in various forms, including government financial aid, in the form of student loans and/or bursaries, scholarships and bursary programs and corporate scholarship programs.

In addition, students have access to emergency funds by accessing student food banks, grocery cards, emergency bursaries, and emergency loans. Additionally, financial aid provides budgeting tools and resources to help students with budgeting for school.

Description	2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014
Entrance Scholarships	\$ 69,830.00	\$ 69,920.00	\$ 57,535.00	\$ 68,895.00	\$ 67,225.00	\$ 79,555.00
Scholarships	\$ 115,082.00	\$ 127,255.00	\$ 110,923.35	\$ 135,373.80	\$ 130,414.37	\$ 148,397.70
Bursaries	\$ 262,384.92	\$ 241,791.36	\$ 216,389.39	\$ 220,089.59	\$ 213,614.46	\$ 180,840.32
Awards	\$ 43,441.75	\$ 38,380.34	\$ 25,664.84	\$ 32,118.81	\$ -	\$ -
Total Awarded	\$ 490,738.67	\$ 477,346.70	\$ 410,512.58	\$ 456,477.20	\$ 411,253.83	\$ 408,793.02

Work Study is a student employment program at Selkirk College. The total awarded for 2018-2019 saw an increase over 2017-18 and the number of students hired increased.

Description	2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014
Total awarded	\$ 99,683.00	\$ 90,203.94	\$ 84,580.47	\$ 70,469.00	\$ 77,650.00	\$ 96,278.84
Students hired	154	153	144	145	-	-
Posted positions	158	205	133	37	-	-

EMERGENCY FUNDING FOR STUDENTS IS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING BASE FUNDED ACTIVITIES

STUDENT FOOD BANKS

Selkirk supports food banks at the Castlegar, Trail, Silver King, and 10th Street campuses. Students can access the food banks by connecting with Student Union staff or Counsellors.

GROCERY CARDS

Financial Aid has supplied grocery cards in \$25 denominations to the Counsellors at the Castlegar, Trail, Silver King, KSA, and 10th Street campuses. Students meet with a Counsellor who determines what supports are required. For a short-term crisis the Counsellor can give out up to \$100 in grocery cards.

EMERGENCY BURSARIES

Emergency bursaries are available from \$200 to \$1500. Students meet with a Counsellor and complete an Emergency Bursary application. The Counsellor and Financial Aid assess the application and determine financial need.

EMERGENCY LOANS

Students waiting for a student loan disbursement can request an advance on the loan disbursement up to \$500. The emergency loan is paid when the loan is disbursed to the College.

BUDGETING TOOLS

Financial Aid provides budgeting tools and resources to help students with budgeting for school.

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY SELKIRK COLLEGE

HEALTHY CAMPUS OFFICE/HEALTHY MINDS-HEALTHY CAMPUS

Bystander training, creating safe spaces, consent and sexual violence dialogue and training, dinner basket conversations on for example healthy substance use, safety and inclusion strategy for LGBTQ students, cultural competency, inclusivity and diversity training, cannabis education, Options for Sexual Health clinic, the new Nurse Practitioner clinic, Student Ambassador program;

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Helping students with employment readiness, increased COOP Ed offerings, connecting students with summer and career job opportunities

SUPPORT FOR FORMER YOUTH IN CARE PROGRAM (TUITION WAIVER)

INDIGENOUS SERVICES AND PROGRAMMING

For example, Indigenous counselor (0.5 FTE), Orange Shirt Day, Sisters in Spirit, Cultural Expressions, Elders program, Reconciliation speaker series, etc.

CLUBS

Student clubs, "Sustainable Selkirk" initiatives, cultural events.