

## Services for Graduate Students & Postdoctoral Fellows

The Research Commons offers a suite of programs and services to support SFU graduate students and other researchers at all stages of the research process. Our workshops and consultations are both in-person and online. Contact us at [research-commons@sfu.ca](mailto:research-commons@sfu.ca).

### Research Commons Workshops

Attend a variety of workshops including: *Introduction to Spatial Thinking and ArcGIS Pro*, *Doing More With NVivo*, *Thesis Word Template*, *Thesis Writing Group series*, *Introduction to R*, *Citations Made Easy with Zotero*, etc. To register (often a must due to demand!), visit the Research Commons website: [www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons).

### Graduate Writing Services

The Research Commons provides one-on-one writing consultations to discuss written documents and/or all aspects of the writing process. The Read Ahead service provides intensive and extended support for graduate students writing theses, projects, or other longer papers. One-on-one presentation consultations are also available to provide students with assistance in choosing the content of a presentation, organizing the material, and receiving feedback on written content. Use our *Writing Consultation Request Form* to book a consultation [www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/research-commons).

### Liaison Librarian Services

Liaison Librarians work closely with SFU departments, providing personalized assistance to graduate students. Consult with your Liaison Librarian at any point in your graduate work on ways to approach research. Get advice on strategies for conducting literature reviews, optimizing searches, publishing your research, managing information workflows, and more.

Find a complete list of SFU Liaison Librarians at: [www.lib.sfu.ca/help/research-assistance/liaison-librarians](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/research-assistance/liaison-librarians)

### Research Data Management

The Data Services Librarian provides resources and services to support graduate students with research data management planning, including strategies for data organization, storage, sharing, and publishing. For further information, contact the Data Services team at: [data-services@sfu.ca](mailto:data-services@sfu.ca).

### Statistics and Numeric Data / GIS & Maps

The Research Commons assists researchers from across disciplines in finding and using statistical, numerical, and geospatial data. Our research data team can provide assistance with: data access and preparation, locating data, and learning GIS.

Find more information here: [www.lib.sfu.ca/find/other-materials/data-gis/data](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/find/other-materials/data-gis/data)



## Thesis Services

Thesis assistance is available for thesis formatting and submission procedures, thesis template trouble-shooting, and thesis submission. Book an appointment online at: [sfu.mywconline.net](https://sfu.mywconline.net)

## Research Software Support

The Research Commons provides access and support for specialized research support software to graduate students and other SFU researchers. Software supported includes R, RStudio, ArcGIS, Tableau, and NVivo, among others. Support in the form of workshops, course-integrated instruction, and individual and small group consultations is available for NVivo and ArcGIS. For details please see: <https://www.lib.sfu.ca/about/branches-depts/rc/software-data-dh/software>

## Scholarly Publishing & Research Dissemination

The Research Commons assists researchers throughout the publishing process via workshops and consultations on topics such as: publishing choices, open access, funder mandates, publication metrics, and author rights. SFU Library also supports authors publishing in open access venues through the SFU Central Open Access Fund. We can consult with researchers and research groups in exploring new forms of scholarly publishing such as developing a digital project or creating an online academic presence. Find out more: [www.lib.sfu.ca/help/publish/scholarly-publishing](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/publish/scholarly-publishing)

## Knowledge Mobilization

The Knowledge Mobilization Officer can help you with developing knowledge mobilization plans for grant applications, as well as provide support to initiate your knowledge mobilization strategy post-award. Reach out for assistance with identifying SFU resources to support your knowledge mobilization activities, or request a tailored training session on the principles and skills of knowledge mobilization. <https://www.lib.sfu.ca/about/branches-depts/rc/share/km>

## Digital Humanities

The Digital Humanities Innovation Lab (DHIL) assists SFU researchers with the development of digital scholarship research by providing consultation, training, mentoring, research software development and technical support to faculty and graduate students. <https://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/publish/dh/dhil>

## EAL / ELL Support

The Student Learning Commons provides extensive EAL/ELL support to both undergraduate and graduate students for whom English is an additional language. Find out more: [www.lib.sfu.ca/about/branches-depts/slc/eal](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/about/branches-depts/slc/eal)