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VIEWBOOK




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OUR VISION: St. Mary's University will be a leader in post-secondary education, open to all, and focused on developing the whole person: mind, body, and spirit. Founded on the Catholic intellectual tradition, St. Mary's will prepare its students to live with integrity, compassion and confidence. **OUR MISSION:** St. Mary's is an innovative teaching and research university that provides affordable, accredited and highly valued degrees in the Liberal Arts, Sciences and Education. Through the pursuit of knowledge and service to the community, we prepare our students to become lifelong learners, engaged citizens and compassionate members of society.

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY!

On behalf of our St. Mary's University community, I am pleased to introduce you to one of the fastest growing universities in Alberta. St. Mary's intimate and engaging campus setting, commitment to academic excellence and social justice offer an experience that is truly focused on you, the student. St. Mary's offers an environment in which you will learn, grow, do and achieve more than you have ever thought possible.

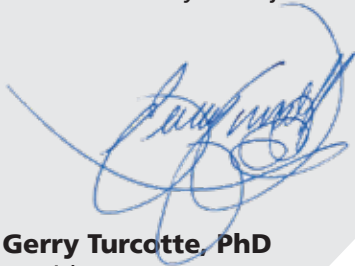
At St. Mary's, we believe that in order to fully reach your academic goals you must be provided with the opportunity to meaningfully engage with your professors and fellow classmates. With a 10:1 student to faculty ratio, our small class sizes allow for your voice to be heard because we believe that interaction within the classroom and on campus provides the foundation for personal and intellectual development.

You will feel at home on a campus that truly is a community, one where having a casual conversation or collaborating on a group project is just as important as working independently on a lab assignment. We're confident St. Mary's will be the place where you reach academic and personal goals that develop your whole person – mind, body and spirit – and open the doors to a world of exciting new opportunities for the future.

St. Mary's is passionate about developing citizens of the world who can and will contribute to the betterment of their workplaces, communities and society. A commitment to social justice, ethical citizenship, respect and freedom of thought, all grounded in the time-honoured Catholic intellectual tradition, comes to life in excellent programs and countless student-led campus and community initiatives. It's a remarkable place offering you a remarkable learning opportunity.

Here, you will broaden your perspective, challenge ideas and deepen your passions while acquiring knowledge and skills that will enable you to confidently be your own person, stand out from the crowd and truly make a difference.

You're welcome here at St. Mary's
And we invite you to join us.



Gerry Turcotte, PhD
President



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SO MANY REASONS TO CHOOSE ST. MARY'S



Choosing a university is one of the biggest decisions you will make, and it is no easy task. There are brochures to view, websites to visit and open houses to attend, but at the end of the day one question remains: **What is best for you?**

ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY IS YOUR ANSWER. Here, your education will extend far beyond the classroom. You'll enrich your mind, energize your body and nourish your spirit. At St. Mary's you'll find an open, welcoming university – for people of all backgrounds, from all faiths and no faith, from across Calgary and beyond – that encourages you to challenge yourself to be the best student and person that you can be.

You'll be immersed in a learning environment where interacting with peers and professors is the norm, not the exception, and where your experience is uniquely crafted by **YOU!**

The experiences you'll have at St. Mary's University will enable **YOU** to make a difference everywhere and in every aspect of your life.

In this viewbook you will see a glimpse into what St. Mary's can offer. Find out more at stmu.ca or contact a Student Enrolment Officer at **(403) 531-9130** to see how St. Mary's puts the **YOU** back in university.



You'll get off
to a great start at
St. Mary's University
by taking part in
New Student Orientation.

MAKE YOUR *FIRST YEAR* **YOUR BEST YEAR**

HOW WILL YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

A responsible citizen cares for people and cares for the planet, and you're someone who wants to contribute to a better world. St. Mary's University's commitment to social justice will inspire and prepare you to do this. You'll broaden your views and see what's possible when like-minded people see a need for change, believe they have the power to make it happen — and do something to change the world.

LEARNING FOR A CHANGING WORLD

You want a knowledge base that keeps you nimble, flexible and adaptable, ready to respond to challenges and make the most of opportunities. St. Mary's is a liberal arts university, which means you get the specific knowledge in your area of study and enhanced skills needed for lifelong career and personal success. You'll master teamwork, communication, critical thinking, creativity, research and analysis.


A UNIVERSITY LIKE NO OTHER

It's easy to promise you something unique, but the proof that St. Mary's really is different is found in classrooms, labs, hallways and student areas. Most importantly, it's in the connections you make with people. From participating in discussions and projects in small-sized classes, to casual conversations with professors, to taking part in clubs and social activities, St. Mary's delivers. It's an environment where you'll want to get involved.

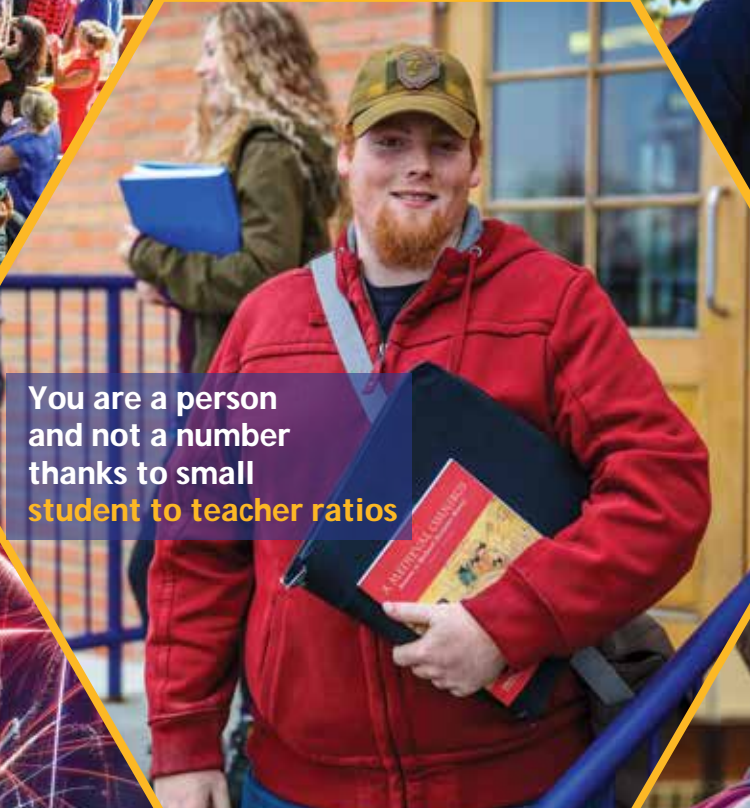
LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

St. Mary's south Calgary campus is easy to get to and great to be at. Less than a 10-minute walk from the Fish Creek–Lacombe C-Train station and plenty of free (yes, free!) parking. Best of all, St. Mary's University is literally next door to one of North America's largest urban parks: Fish Creek Provincial Park. Expect to see deer, hares and plenty of birds sharing your campus green spaces — and taking a walk in nature will recharge your mental, physical and spiritual batteries like nothing else.



A large crowd of graduates in black gowns and caps is seen walking down a set of stone steps during a graduation ceremony.


You will receive a **broad foundation of knowledge** that you'll build on for the **rest of your life**

A male student with a red hoodie and a baseball cap is smiling while holding several books, standing on a campus walkway.

You are a person and not a number thanks to small **student to teacher ratios**

A night scene featuring vibrant purple and pink fireworks exploding in the sky above a building with a white star logo on its tower.

An educational **experience** that is uniquely yours

A student in a red shirt is focused on writing in a notebook at a desk, with other students working in the background.

Commitment to **social justice** creates strong members of the **community**





Education extends beyond the classroom and into the world around you



Small campus size encourages connectivity and community



Our Professors' doors and minds are always open



High quality degrees that will open the doors to a career or graduate studies



BACHELOR OF ARTS

3- AND 4-YEAR DEGREES

Why limit yourself?

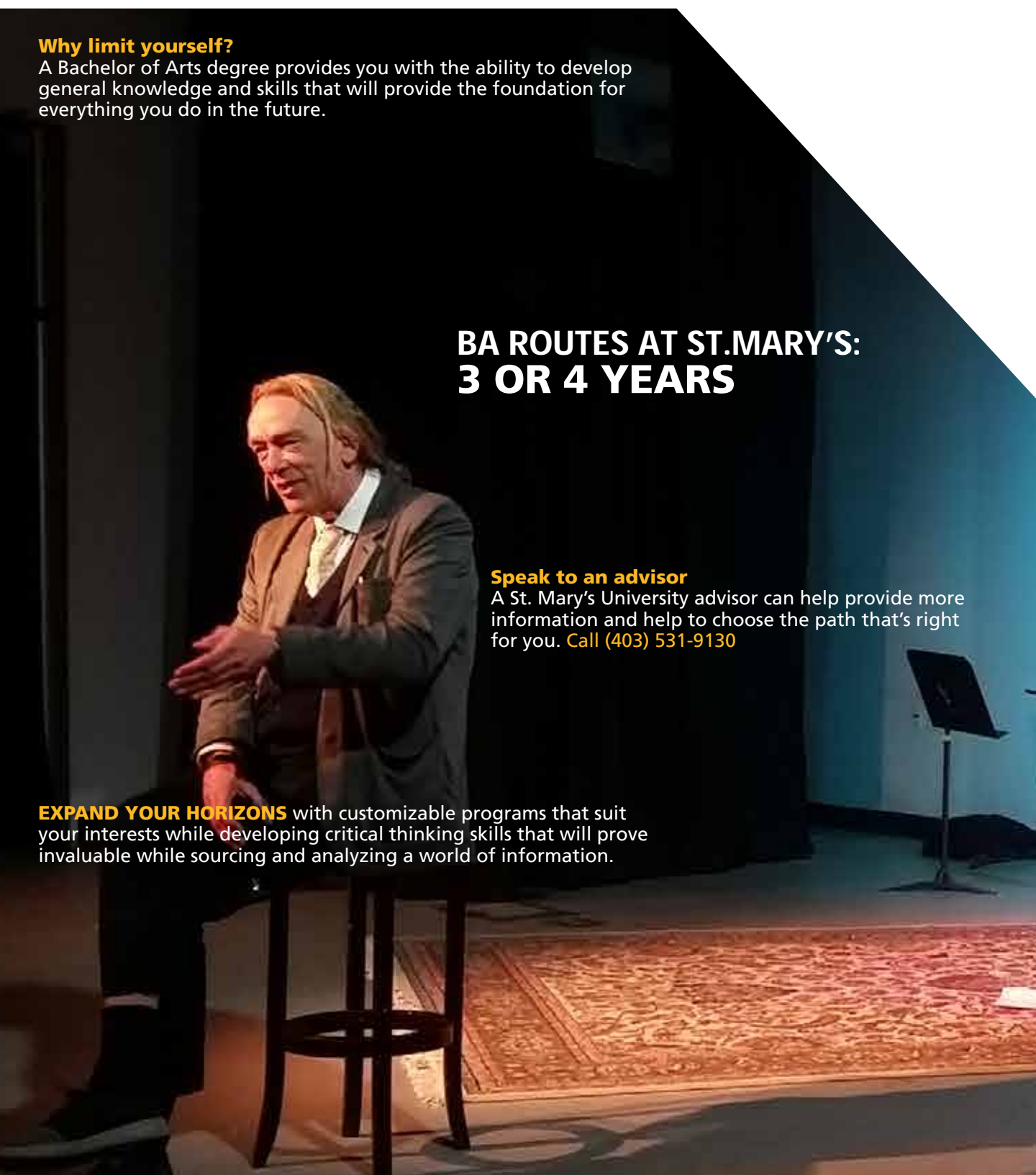
A Bachelor of Arts degree provides you with the ability to develop general knowledge and skills that will provide the foundation for everything you do in the future.

BA ROUTES AT ST. MARY'S: 3 OR 4 YEARS

Speak to an advisor

A St. Mary's University advisor can help provide more information and help to choose the path that's right for you. Call (403) 531-9130

EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS with customizable programs that suit your interests while developing critical thinking skills that will prove invaluable while sourcing and analyzing a world of information.



In the 4-YEAR BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAM you will:

- ✦ Complete a major with a focus on a specific discipline allowing you to minor in another area.
- ✦ Graduate with a degree recognized by employers and other post-secondary institutions.
- ✦ Fulfill the requirements necessary for pursuing most graduate-level programs.

In the 3-YEAR BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAM you will:

- ✦ Concentrate your studies in a particular discipline.
- ✦ Graduate with a degree and skills recognized by employers that will give you the foundation for after-degree programs.

Become a problem solver, an effective communicator and someone ready to take on any challenge with your Bachelor of Arts from St. Mary's University.

What's your Story?



Colyn deGraaff

Bachelor of Arts - English 2010

Colyn deGraaff has built quite the name for himself since graduating from St. Mary's University in 2010, and it is the skills and preparation he received during his time at St. Mary's that continue to propel him forward.

"The support and guidance I received from my peers and professors were foundational in my later career. When I was looking for employment after my graduation, I found that many of the skills that were taught throughout the program such as interpersonal communications, critical thinking, research and writing, were all transferable not only to my job itself, but for being able to foster growth and advancement in the years since."

He discovered that faculty and staff are just as invested in student success as the students themselves, and credits his St. Mary's professors for enabling him to see – and achieve – his own potential.

"St. Mary's does well to prepare its students for future academic and professional success, and those who attend St. Mary's have the benefit of small class sizes, experienced educators and a receptive learning environment, all of which contribute to personal and professional growth."



BACHELOR OF ARTS - GENERAL STUDIES

3-YEAR DEGREE

Start here, succeed anywhere.

In the BA – General Studies program you will receive a diversified education where you follow your interests and passions while developing critical thinking, analysis and communication skills, allowing you to move forward confidently in a rapidly changing economy and evolving society.

Ready to start

building a strong foundation
for your future?

Learn more about the BA – General
Studies degree at stmu.ca or
email advising@stmu.ca



A Bachelor of Arts – General Studies degree is **the perfect place to start** your educational journey and will provide you with the multi-disciplinary educational foundation needed for work and life.

CAREER AVENUES

With its exposure to a variety of disciplines, your St. Mary's BA – General Studies degree is a great launchpad to a career in fields including:

Human Resources

Journalism

Public Relations

Teaching



By learning about the past and exploring the future of human endeavour, you will begin to

**understand
the world**

and find your unique place in it.



BACHELOR OF ARTS - LIBERAL STUDIES

4-YEAR DEGREE

This robust, interdisciplinary program will allow you to immerse yourself in what interests you the most while **finding a way to create new knowledge**.



Planning for futures we can only imagine right now.

The St. Mary's Liberal Studies degree is a real-world degree right for today and ready for tomorrow. Providing a marketable advantage in a changing economy that will allow you to tackle the challenges of contemporary work head on.

Start building knowledge and skills that are remarkable, transferable and uniquely yours. **Check out the BA - Liberal Studies degree at stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca**



CAREER AVENUES

Choose specializations to chart your own career path in areas such as:

Arts-based social change

Business ethics

Communications

Environmental economics

Professional Programs:

- Law
- Medicine
- Public Policy
- Management



Are you curious?

The innovative and rigorous BA – Liberal Studies degree will push the boundaries of your knowledge by broadening your understanding of fine arts, humanities, social sciences and science.



BACHELOR OF ARTS - ENGLISH

3- AND 4-YEAR DEGREES

What's the story?

In the age of media, how we navigate images, literature and text is of the utmost importance. A St. Mary's University English degree will help you develop a facility with words and ways of analyzing words for truth and the impact that language has.

The **four-year degree** prepares you to succeed in graduate studies and many career paths. Choose a minor to augment your learning in another discipline.



An English degree from St. Mary's University allows you to

spread your literary wings.

Study how literature captivates the reader and the relationship between pleasure and prose. Cultivate awareness and love for the meaning, beauty and persuasion of the written word and develop an understanding for how art intervenes in culture.



At St. Mary's we take the written word **off the page and onto the stage.**

Students bring words to life as part of the drama program while receiving credits toward their English degree.

CAREER AVENUES

Your St. Mary's BA – English degree prepares you for a wide variety of word-centered careers such as:

- Journalism**
- Communications**
- Education**
- Public Relations**
- Library Services**
- Project Management**

Ready to hone your thinking, writing, speaking and overall communication skills to provide you the tools for future success?

Check out the BA – English degree at stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca



BACHELOR OF ARTS - HISTORY

3- AND 4-YEAR DEGREES

History is not just memorizing dates. It is a research-based approach to providing context to our place within the past.

A Bachelor of Arts – History degree will help you analyze the events, processes and ideas of the past to gain valuable insight into how we arrived to where we are today and explore where society will be going in the future.



The St. Mary's BA – History degree will show you that **history is all around you.** With deep historical roots, the St. Mary's campus becomes a living text as you experience and discover the remarkable past of St. Mary's University and the grounds on which it stands.

You can't understand the present without appreciating the past.

Your learning will extend far beyond research labs and classrooms as the world is your classroom. Join professors and peers in activities such as archival visits and historical tours to better realize the significance of events and how they impact your own personal history.

CAREER AVENUES

Your St. Mary's BA – History degree gives you excellent knowledge and training to pursue graduate studies and careers such as:

- Museum Curator**
- Librarian**
- Archaeologist**
- Teacher**

The **four-year degree** is an excellent base for graduate studies. You can also choose a minor to further develop your knowledge in another discipline.



Become an excellent collaborator

"The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see."

– Winston S. Churchill

Are you ready to immerse yourself in the past and make an investment in your own future? To embark on a journey of discovery?

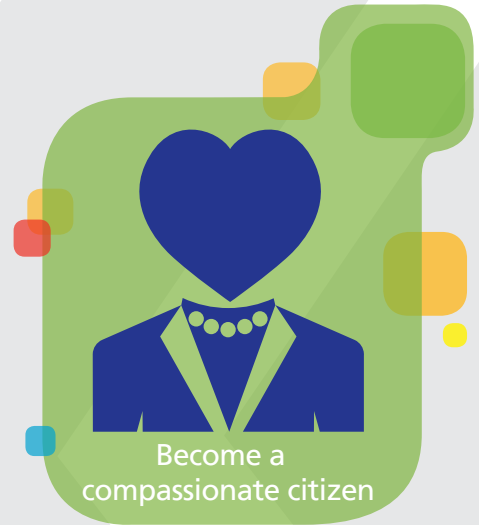
Check out the BA – History degree at stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca



BACHELOR OF ARTS - PSYCHOLOGY

3- AND 4-YEAR DEGREES

Human behaviour is an ever-evolving, fascinating area of study and a St. Mary's Bachelor of Arts – Psychology degree opens the doors to understanding **what makes people tick.**



A St. Mary's BA – Psychology degree provides an excellent foundation for students to **understand themselves and others.**

Gain insight into why people do what they do through an understanding of applied, clinical and experimental psychology and learn about the development of theory underlying various schools of psychological thought.



Answering why?

Develop critical thinking skills that will make you savvy to the human condition. Examine modern psychology, current trends, research, and methods that are integral to understanding human behaviour.

BACHELOR OF ARTS - 4-YEAR HONOURS IN PSYCHOLOGY

With Honours:

The four-year BA degree with Honours in Psychology is a step beyond our Major degrees. Honours students write a research proposal, conduct research and present findings to their peers, ensuring that those who wish to pursue further education will be well-prepared for graduate school. Students can apply to the Honours program by May 1 before entering their final year.



CAREER AVENUES:

Your St. Mary's BA – Psychology degree is great preparation for pursuing a variety of careers in fields such as:

- Mental Health**
- Social Work**
- Human Resources**
- Public Service**
- Health Care**
- Politics**



- You can also **further your studies** to pursue a career as a:
- Psychologist**
 - Educational or Addictions Counsellor**
 - Social Worker**
 - Career Development Professional**
 - Occupational Therapist**
 - Child and Youth Care Worker**
 - Gerontology Specialist**

If you're ready to look inside yourself – and others – then a BA – Psychology degree is for you. **Find out more at stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca**



BACHELOR OF ARTS

4-YEAR SOCIAL JUSTICE & CATHOLIC STUDIES

What is Social Justice and Catholic Studies?

A unique interdisciplinary program that combines critical reflection on the structural injustices that characterize society, both locally and globally, and promotes a holistic vision of justice and peace.

Experiential Learning

Several required courses in the SJCS program are community based learning courses that immerse students in hands-on local issues of justice.

The Social Justice Stream

provides critical reflection on oppression and injustice, locally and globally, and examines theoretical and practical approaches to justice and peace. Students in this stream are well prepared for work with international and non-governmental organisations, community non-profits, social services, and further degrees in law, education, and social work.

The Catholic Studies Stream

provides an in depth examination of the Catholic vision for enhancing the lives of everyone everywhere in the world today. Students enter into the on-going dialogue within the Church of how best to creatively draw upon its rich heritage to address the challenges of the modern world.



Choosing Your Path

The Social Justice and Catholic Studies program prepares students for a wide variety of careers, and/or for future graduate studies:

Education

Career and Academic Counseling

Immigration

Social Work

Mental Health

Law

Mediation/Negotiation

Human Resources

Youth Ministry

Non-Profit Organizations

If this program sounds like a fit for you,

visit stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE 4-YEAR DEGREE

Explore the exciting world around you just waiting to be discovered. A Bachelor of Science degree is your front-row ticket to the adventure.



Learn how to navigate a changing world

by drawing on St. Mary's University's strength in liberal arts, emphasis on ethics and value of social justice. In small classes where you have the opportunity to interact one-to-one with professors and peers, you will gain a broad education and the ability to think and work across various disciplines.



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE - BIOLOGY

4-YEAR DEGREE

Biology is about the natural world. It's more than being in a lab.

The St. Mary's University Bachelor of Science – Biology degree opens the doors to thinking about your connections with the wider world and challenges you to think about your responsibility to the community and to the world.

What's your Story?



Bethany Topping
Bachelor of Science – Biology

Sometimes you have to be willing to get your hands dirty as they say and for fourth-year Bachelor of Science – Biology student Bethany Topping, the prospect of doing field work and research in Fish Creek Provincial Park was a major attraction.

“I was drawn to the St. Mary's biology program for the direct access to doing hands-on research and field work in Fish Creek Provincial Park. I was really excited when I found out we were able to do field work there.”

While the science content is just as demanding as in other institutions, the experience at St. Mary's will be markedly different and distinctly individual.

Science courses are rigorous but, as Bethany describes, the closeness and interpersonal connections created with peers and professors has contributed to her academic success.

“The small class sizes have been tremendously beneficial to me because students are invited to ask questions which helps to understand the concept being taught. At St. Mary's I am able to have a face-to-face relationship with my teachers. With all the professors being very approachable they have the opportunity to get to know me, which I think aids them in wanting to help me succeed in my academic pursuits.”

Take part in your own education and **entertain your curiosity** through interactive lectures and labs. Whether it's rain or shine, snow or sleet, St. Mary's proximity to Fish Creek Provincial Park offers students a true “living laboratory” that provides year-round opportunities to get up close and personal with what you're studying.

Where will your education take you?

Spend one week at the Bamfield Marine Science Centre in B.C., discovering the diversity of life on the west coast with the Introduction to Marine Biology field course.

Extend your research

**beyond our
borders**
and travel to Belize
to study tropical ecology.



CAREER AVENUES

Your St. Mary's BSc – Biology degree will prepare you for a variety of careers in areas such as:

Research

Laboratory Science

Environmental Monitoring

Government Agriculture or Environmental Departments

Science Journalism

With **additional education** you can build on your BSc – Biology to pursue careers such as:

Veterinarian

Teacher or Professor

Biomedical or Environmental Engineer

Microbiologist

Geneticist

Registered Nurse

Dietician

Pharmacist



If this is the program for you or if you are interested in learning more about this one-of-a-kind program,

visit stmu.ca or email advising@stmu.ca



BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY) 2-YEAR AFTER-DEGREE PROGRAM

Teaching is much more than a job.

It is a journey of discovery where young people's minds are opened to a new world of possibilities and opportunities. A Bachelor of Education (Elementary) after-degree prepares you to be the spark that ignites the passion for learning in young minds.

The Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program from St. Mary's University will allow you to

Choose Your Own Path

where you will grow in mind, body and spirit as you prepare to teach students in Grades K-6 in the Public and Catholic school systems.



One Admission, Two Degrees

Apply now for admission into the Bachelor of Education Single-Entry degree offering. A stream for applicants coming to StMU from high school who wish to complete both a four-year BA or BSc and the BEd (Elementary) degree.

Having a strong knowledge foundation is fundamental for success and that's why the St. Mary's **Bachelor of Education (Elementary)** is a two-year after-degree program which requires you to first complete an undergraduate degree to qualify for admission into this program.

What's your Story?

Kevin Lehew

Bachelor of Education (Elementary) - 2016

Father Lacombe High School teacher Kevin Lehew credits the fact that St. Mary's University's instructors have first-hand knowledge of what classrooms are like today as being hugely important for his transition into teaching.

"St. Mary's gave me the real life situations, the situations in the classrooms right now because the professors are in the classrooms so they know what's going on."

For Lehew the difference between attending St. Mary's University and a larger post-secondary institution for his Bachelor of Education after degree was evident and a bit of a culture change, one however, that was a welcomed and pleasant surprise.

"It was so friendly at St. Mary's right off the bat," he explained. "At St. Mary's you really are looked after by every professor. You get to build a relationship with everyone. I actually got to know my professors which was different from my experiences at another institution."

His first year teaching was extraordinarily successful as he was nominated – and chosen as a district winner – for the Edwin Parr Award, which recognizes the best first year teacher, and it was an email from a former professor that really highlighted the personal connections created during his time at St. Mary's.

"Upon receiving the Edwin Parr Award, I actually got an email from a former professor at St. Mary's. To be able to form those types of relationships and get to know them outside of the classroom isn't something that you get everywhere."

Creating Connections



BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY) 2-YEAR AFTER-DEGREE PROGRAM

St. Mary's **Bachelor of Education (Elementary)** is the first BEd (Elementary) degree for students who want to work in the Catholic system. Teachers are trained to teach in Catholic curriculum where **ethical education and values** are instilled from the very beginning.



CAREER AVENUES

Upon graduation from the Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program, you are prepared to teach in a K-6 program in any school, public or private, faith-based or secular.

You are eligible to apply for an Interim Professional Teaching Certificate from Alberta Education.

Many BEd graduates continue their education at the post-graduate level, and many have found the degree to be ideal preparation for other career paths.

Whether interested in a future teaching career in the Catholic or public school system, this degree is for students who want to keep every opportunity open to them. The St. Mary's Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program **puts theory to practice** and creates authentic learning experiences that will feature in classroom settings.

Extensive professional development

led by experienced teachers, giving you the benefit of their shared years of practice.

Many of your BEd professors have been teachers first and have been in classrooms, school administration and district administration.

Your professors in the Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program have their

finger on the pulse of classrooms today.

25

weeks of practicum
experience to practice
what you learn



TRANSFER OPTIONS KICKSTART SUCCESS

Even if you're not sure where you want to go or what you want to do, **you won't waste a step** by beginning your journey at St. Mary's. Earning credits that transfer to other post-secondary institutions gives you maximum flexibility – and **lets you explore your options.**

Enrolling in your first year at St. Mary's University is a **great way to build a strong foundation of knowledge** and skills to ensure that your post-secondary journey **begins with a great start.**

Take up to two years of courses and earn credits at St. Mary's University that are recognized by programs at other institutions across Alberta and beyond. Put down strong academic roots and become a great student, ready to **succeed wherever your post-secondary journey takes you.**



Talk to an Academic Advisor today

to map your path and get set to take the first step at St. Mary's University
by emailing advising@stmu.ca

OPEN STUDIES / BUSINESS TRANSFER

OPEN STUDIES

You can go almost anywhere from here by starting at St. Mary's University in Open Studies which enables you to follow your interests and decide where you'd like to go in the future.

Take courses and earn credits that may be transferred into a St. Mary's degree program or to other post-secondary undergraduate degree programs.

Starting your university experience at St. Mary's is the **ideal way to broaden your perspective** and set your sights on new horizons.

Most courses transfer among Alberta universities. If you want to transfer into a St. Mary's degree or take courses at St. Mary's and transfer to another university, our advisors are ready to help **plan your academic path**.

CAREER AVENUES

Open Studies can be your first step towards any number of degree and career pathways in almost any field or industry.

Working with an Academic Advisor, you choose the journey that's right for you. To learn more or discover if Open Studies is the right place for you to start, contact advising@stmu.ca.

BUSINESS TRANSFER PROGRAM

Open the doors to a world of business opportunities with the St. Mary's University Business Transfer program.

The skills you'll grow as a St. Mary's student – teamwork, collaboration, critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity – will be as **integral to your success** as the business theory you'll learn.

The Business Transfer program can be a direct route into Bachelor of Management and Bachelor of Commerce programs, putting you **well on the way to a career in business**.

CAREER AVENUES:

Working with an Academic Advisor, you'll choose your own path and select courses that meet your individual needs.

The St. Mary's Business Transfer program can be your first step toward a career in:

Marketing
Accounting

Economics
Management

Finance
Human Resources



CELEBRATE A SHARED HERITAGE

St. Mary's University Indigenous Initiatives

The St. Mary's campus rests on traditional Blackfoot territory, and the University recognizes, respects and celebrates the unique history and cultures of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples.



We're here for you

As St. Mary's continued commitment to reciprocity and trust continues to grow, the institution has been building various initiatives such as:

✦ Our Indigenous Advisory Council

- To provide guidance and wisdom for Indigenous strategies and activities.
- Develop Indigenous plans

✦ Elders on Campus

This program welcomes Elders from the Indigenous community on campus regularly to meet with students, faculty and staff to share Indigenous ways of knowing.

✦ Indigenous Academic Coach

To offer academic mentoring and guidance in a culturally safe and relevant manner to self-identified Indigenous learners.

✦ Truth and Reconciliation Working Group

Comprised of Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, faculty and staff as we come together to envision and enact St. Mary's University's steps forward in reconciliation together.



WHAT KIND OF DIFFERENCE WILL YOU MAKE?



50%

of students volunteer on campus or in the community



TAKE THE LEAD

All students are members of the St. Mary's University Students' Association, and the Student Legislative Council is responsible for campus-wide events and initiatives that keep the community strong. Joining the Council is a great way to share ideas, hone your leadership and teamwork skills, form deep friendships and **MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!**



BOTTLED UP

St. Mary's was the first university in Alberta to go bottled-water-free thanks to the Social Justice Club who wanted to reduce the amount of plastic pollution.



MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR EXPERIENCE AT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

There's more to university life than classes, assignments and papers!
Get involved in one (or more) of the many clubs, activities and groups ready to welcome you at **St. Mary's University**.



Join a club and have some fun.

Share your interests with new friends. Clubs focusing on literary arts, photography, social justice, art, and board games welcome everyone to join! If you have an interest that isn't represented, forming a new club of your own is always possible!

Write on!

Showcase your exemplary academic papers in *The Attic*, St. Mary's Journal of Undergraduate Papers or *Sightlines*, a literary journal of creative writing.





Raise your voice in song and **hit all the right notes** when you join students and others in the St. Mary's community choir. The choir welcomes singers of all ages and backgrounds and meets weekly while also offering select public performances.



Your creativity can earn you credit towards completion of your degree program when you take courses in drama or choral performance. Check the St. Mary's University Academic Calendar for details at stmu.ca



Whether you want to earn credit or just want to tap into your creative side, St. Mary's is the perfect place to **express yourself through the fine arts.**



COMPETE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL WITH THE ST. MARY'S LIGHTNING VARSITY PROGRAMS

Have a competitive spirit, passion for sport and want to play with and against Alberta's best student athletes? The St. Mary's Lightning are members of the ACAC and a force to be reckoned with.

Women's Basketball

The Lightning women's basketball program has become one of the most winning post-secondary programs in Calgary.

Men's Basketball

The Lightning men's basketball program has a strong core of returning players that will make the hunt for playoff contention extremely exciting.

STORM THE COURT



RUN AS ONE

Indoor Track

New to the Lightning Athletics family is the Indoor track team that has been accepted into the ACAC and will look to make their mark during the season.

Cross-Country Running

This expanding program took major strides in becoming a contending force in the ACAC after strong showings by both the men's and women's teams.



Varsity sports are a proven way to build teamwork, leadership, and other valuable skills that will round out your résumé and transform a great university experience into an amazing one.



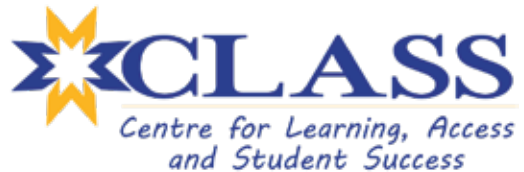
St. Mary's University promotes healthy lifestyle choices and encourages a wide range of physical and wellness activities. Enhance your strength, flexibility and endurance. Lose or maintain weight. Work with a certified personal trainer to ensure your well-being. **The St. Mary's Fitness Centre is the perfect place to achieve your health and fitness goals.**



ENRICH YOUR LEARNING with

ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Take your learning to a whole new level at St. Mary's University with access to many different learning resources that can add to your overall post-secondary experience.



The **Centre for Learning, Access and Student Success (CLASS)** is a relaxed place where you can drop in to become a better learner and gain skills that will put you on the path to achieving your academic goals.



High School Individualized Program Plan?

Continue your support at St. Mary's and meet with an Academic Access Coordinator.

Embrace the power of Peer Mentoring

where fellow St. Mary's students share their tips and tactics with you. Taking part in the Peer Mentor program is a great way to learn from others and share your own success with classmates.

Strengthen your Academic Success Strategies.

Attend 45-minute seminars and enhance your academic skills. Complete eight or more seminars and achieve the Academic Success Certificate.

The Academic Writing Institute will help you **prepare for success at university**. Strengthen your critical thinking skills and take your writing to the next level while practicing your writing strategies with current St. Mary's students.

ACCESS TO A WORLD OF RESOURCES IN THE ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Whatever your program or interest, the St. Mary's University Library is your **gateway to a world of knowledge.**

In addition to St. Mary's collection of books, periodicals and media – the University has one of the most comprehensive collections of medieval studies in Western Canada.



As a St. Mary's student you will also have electronic **access to the resources of all the other Alberta post-secondary libraries** through The Alberta Library partnership.

Your St. Mary's ID card also gives you borrowing privileges at the University of Calgary, Mount Royal University, Ambrose University and Bow Valley College.

The Library's knowledgeable staff will ensure you find and make the most of those resources.

This is a great place to

enhance your research and information literacy skills

to not only learn how to search for the best information, but how to interpret and use what you discover. Both will be invaluable in completing class assignments and research projects.



INVESTING IN YOUR EDUCATION AT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Post-Secondary education is one of the best investments you'll ever make for your future. St. Mary's University **invests in your success** with the Student Awards Program, which can make a significant financial difference and greatly reduce the cost of your education.

Some St. Mary's scholarships and bursaries are awarded based on high school grades, some are awarded automatically and some you need to apply for by April 30th, so be sure to check out the details at stmu.ca/scholarships-student-awards.

Scholarships are recognition for your hard work and academic achievement. Some may take into account your campus or community involvement. Receiving a scholarship will inspire you to push a little more and reach a bit higher.

Bursaries recognize academic achievement and financial need and often consider your campus or community activities. They'll help reduce the economic challenge of attending university and enable you to focus on your studies.

Many of the St. Mary's University's student awards have been established thanks to community donors who believe in the power of post-secondary education and appreciate the exceptional learning experience offered at St. Mary's.



\$1750
Average
award per
recipient

200
Awards
disbursed
annually

To recognize and reward the academic achievement that students earn in high school, through the admission process, St. Mary's University automatically grants high school applicants with the **President's Circle Scholarship** (no need to apply!). These scholarships are awarded based on the five best marks in Grade 11 and Grade 12 admission subjects. The scholarship amount will vary depending on your average and your course registration.

Gold
90% or more >>> up to \$ 2,500

Silver
85 – 89.9% >>> up to \$ 1,750

Bronze
80 – 84.9% >>> up to \$ 1,000

Family Matters



at St. Mary's University

Two Presidents, One Heart — Attending St. Mary's University turned out to be the start of an amazing love story for former Student Legislative Council Presidents, Ram Boyer and Camille Sehn. The two met and had an instant connection after both served as members of the SLC. Following graduation in 2013, Camille carried on to law school and is currently an articling student with an interest in family law. Ram completed his General Studies Degree in 2016 and has become an entrepreneur by opening his own business, Immaculate Exteriors. The couple is pictured above in the Students Association Building on the St. Mary's Campus – the spot where Ram proposed and Camille said "Yes!" The two were married in March 2017 and even had some former St. Mary's professors there to help celebrate their love.



Fresh food and home made meals served in the cozy café

Le Fort Centre

Lots of free parking!

Historic Water Tower (Mauro Art Gallery)

Heritage Centre

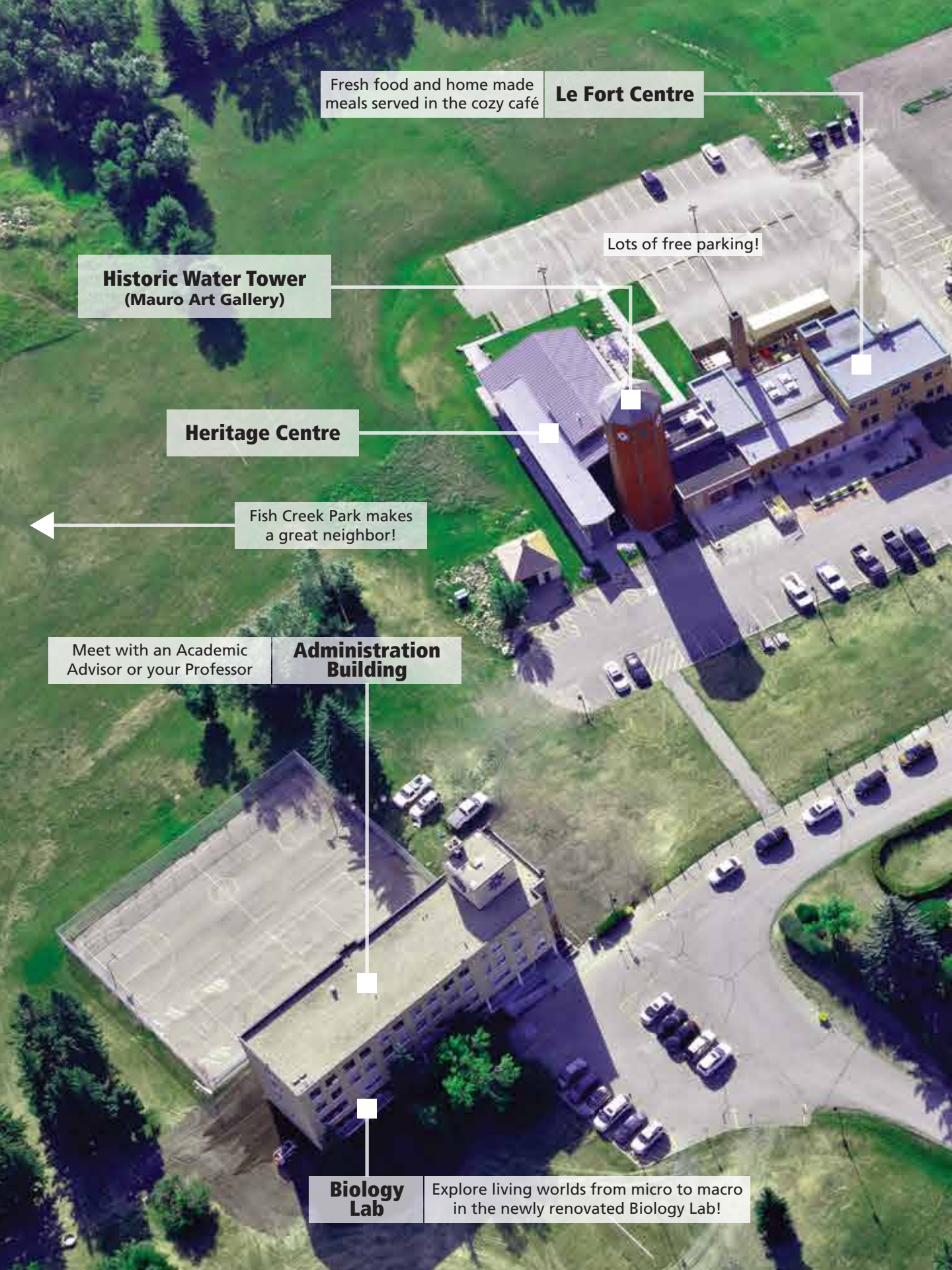
Fish Creek Park makes a great neighbor!

Meet with an Academic Advisor or your Professor

Administration Building

Biology Lab

Explore living worlds from micro to macro in the newly renovated Biology Lab!



Student Building

Relax with friends or play a game of pool in the Student Association Building

St. Basil's Hall (Library)

Find a quiet study space and thousands of texts in a fully stocked library

Fitness Centre

Stay active between classes in the updated Fitness Centre

McGivney Hall

Home of tomorrow's teachers

Classroom Building

Great tutors and learning resources available here!

Even more free parking!

Chemistry Lab

Make scented chemicals that are used for flavouring in the updated Chemistry Lab!

Great place to eat lunch with your friends!

Less than a 10-minute walk to Fish Creek-Lacombe train station



APPLYING TO ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

stmu.ca/admission-requirements

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND TRANSFER PROGRAMS

Admission to St. Mary's University is based on one of the following:

- high school standing
- post-secondary standing
- mature standing
- international student admission
- special admission
- re-admission

Complete details about admission requirements for all programs is provided in the *University Calendar*, available at stmu.ca.

ADMISSION BASED ON HIGH SCHOOL STANDING

Applicants in this category must have received a high school diploma and must have an overall average of 65 percent or higher on five 30-level admission subjects as listed below. If missing one of the required subjects or if the admission average is between 60 - 64.9 percent, admission may be considered under the Special Admission category on a case-by-case basis. If less than 30 credit hours have been completed at another post-secondary institution, admission under this category may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

1. English Language Arts 30-1 or equivalent
Note: Applicants who present a final grade below 65 percent in English Language Arts 30-1 will be required to take WRIT 201 (3 credits) during their first semester of studies.
2. One of:
 - Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent, Mathematics 30-2 or equivalent
Note: Mathematics 31 does not satisfy this requirement.
 - 30-level language other than English
3. Two of:
 - Aboriginal Studies 30 (5 credits)
 - Biology 30
 - Chemistry 30
 - 30-level language other than English
 - Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent, Mathematics 30-2 or equivalent (if not used to satisfy requirement #2)
 - Mathematics 31
 - Physics 30
 - Science 30
 - Social Studies 30-1
4. One additional approved 5-credit or two 3-credit subjects at the 30-level (excluding Special Projects 30).

Two subjects in the same discipline may not normally be presented to satisfy admission requirements. Exceptions are Mathematics 30-1 and Mathematics 31, and languages other than English. No course with a mark below 50 per cent may be used.

Applicants to the following programs will adhere to the same admission requirements as for High School Standing, but must successfully complete:

Bachelor of Science, 4-year Biology Degree

- » Biology 30
- » Chemistry 30
- » Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent

If deemed inadmissible to the Bachelor of Science program, admission will automatically be deferred to the Open Studies program.

Business Transfer Program

One of:

- Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent
 - Mathematics 30-2 or equivalent
- Or, if transferring to the University of Calgary
- Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent

Psychology Degree Programs

One of:

- Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent
- Mathematics 30-2 or equivalent

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY)

AFTER DEGREE ADMISSION

To qualify for admission to the Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program, you must have completed:

- a St. Mary's University 3- or 4-year Bachelor of Arts **and** a grade point average of at least 2.5 (on St. Mary's 4-point scale) or equivalent on the most recently attempted 30 credits
- a 4-year Bachelor of Science degree, **or**
- an equivalent 3- or 4-year bachelors degree from a recognized university or college with a strong liberal arts component, ideally containing at least one course in core teachable subject areas of Math, Science, and Social Studies and two courses in English.
- a resumé highlighting all work and volunteer experience with children
- three references that speak to the applicants' capacities as a learner, worker and leader.

SINGLE ENTRY ADMISSION

To qualify for single entry admission to the Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program, you must:

- Be entering from high school **and** Supply the following supporting documents:
- Have an admissions average of 75% or higher on five subjects as listed above
 - three references that speak to the applicants' capabilities as a learner, worker and leader
 - a resume highlighting all work and volunteer experience with children

TUITION AND FEES, 2019–20

See stmu.ca/tuition-and-fees for a complete list of all St. Mary's University fees. Most students can expect to pay the following.

TUITION

Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Transfer programs:

Domestic students, full course load \$8,322/year

Bachelor of Education (Elementary) program

Domestic students, full course load \$10,640/year

GENERAL FEES

The following fees are required in addition to tuition:

Athletics and Campus Recreation \$ 200/year

Computer resources \$ 140/year

Students' Association \$ 90/year

Calgary Transit U-Pass (mandatory) \$ 302/year

APPLICATION FEES

Non-refundable, one-time fees are payable at the time of application:

Application fee \$ 100

International student application fee \$ 275

Application for re-admission fee \$ 50

DEPOSIT

All new full- and part-time applicants who have been offered conditional or full admission are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of \$200 to confirm their intention to attend St. Mary's University. The deposit will be applied to your first-term tuition and fees.

Once you have paid your deposit, you will be able to register for courses and make payments on **my.StMU**, the University's online portal.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES FOR STUDENTS ENTERING FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Student awards can be a significant financial contribution to your post-secondary education. All are a great investment in your future. St. Mary's University offers many scholarships and bursaries that recognize your academic achievement calculated on the five best Grade 11 or Grade 12 admission subjects. Some require you to apply, and some are awarded automatically.

The **PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE SCHOLARSHIP** is an automatic award offered through the admission process to students who achieve an average of 80% or higher. The amount varies based on your average and your course registration; Gold (90% or higher) - up to \$2,500, Silver (85-89.9%) - up to \$1,750, Bronze (80-84.9%) - up to \$1,000.

Visit stmu.ca/scholarships-student-awards for all the details.

MORE INFO? ASK A QUESTION. CHECK INTO BEING A STUDENT FOR A DAY. BOOK A CAMPUS TOUR.

Contact **403-531-9130** | visitus@stmu.ca

STREET ADDRESS

The St. Mary's University campus is located just to the east of Macleod Trail, immediately south of Fish Creek Provincial Park, at 14500 Bannister Road S.E.

ARRIVING BY C-TRAIN

Take the train to the Fish Creek–Lacombe station, and use the Macleod Trail overpass to connect to Bannister Road and walk to the campus. It will take less than 10 minutes — about as long as it would take walking in from a distant parking lot.

DRIVING TO CAMPUS

Coming from the north, take Macleod Trail southbound to the Bannister Road exit (immediately south of Canyon Meadows Drive/exit to the right) and follow Bannister Road east to the St. Mary's University campus entrance.

Coming from the south, take Macleod Trail north to the 149th Avenue exit and continue east to Bannister Road. Turn north on Bannister Road to the St. Mary's University campus entrance.

TAKE A WALK THROUGH THE PARK

St. Mary's University is literally located only steps from Fish Creek Provincial Park - in fact, there are trails from the park directly to the campus. Visitors are always welcome!

FREE PARKING!

YES, YOU READ THAT RIGHT. St. Mary's University offers free on-campus parking for students and visitors.

APPLY NOW GO TO APPLY.STMU.CA AND FOLLOW THE LINK TO APPLYALBERTA
This province-wide online application system enables you to apply to one or more post-secondary institutions and authorizes transcript transfers among participating institutions.





Interested in a **CAMPUS TOUR?**
Want to be a **STUDENT FOR A DAY** and check out St. Mary's University?

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