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Advisory/photo ops: Fall Convocation Oct. 10-11

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More than 2,100 students are eligible to take part in Simon Fraser University's Fall Convocation tomorrow and Friday. The campus is in full autumn colour and the weather is expected to be cool but dry.

Ceremonies recognizing students' achievements will begin each day at 9:45 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in Convocation Mall at the Burnaby campus.

During the ceremonies, honorary degrees will be conferred on the following individuals:

Thursday, 9:45 am: John Webb, director of interventional cardiology at St. Paul's Hospital, who pioneered on of the most important advances in heart disease in the last 25 years – the non-surgical transcatheter replacement of diseased heart valves;

Thursday, 2:30 pm: Michael Stevenson, former president of Simon Fraser University who led an organizational change and development initiative at the university that included a \$500-million expansion of campus facilities;

Friday, 2:30 pm: Christine Sinclair, a two-time Olympian who led the Canadian women's soccer team to a bronze medal at the 2012 Olympics.

Members of the media are welcome to attend. Check at the information office when you first arrive re: where to park. There is a media observation area (south side and overlooking Convocation Mall). If you plan to attend and/or need further detail, contact the PAMR office (778.782.3210).

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