



Awards & Accolades

UniverCity receives a great deal of attention for its innovative approach to sustainable community building, earning many awards and honours for SFU Community Trust and its development partners.

UniverCity's winning reputation attracts national and international media attention, including coverage in BC Business Magazine, Granville Magazine, Vancouver Magazine, Shared Vision, Sunday New York Times, Maclean's Magazine, Grist Magazine, Dialogue Magazine, Business in Vancouver Green Edition, the Toronto Star, and the Vancouver Province and Sun. David Suzuki's television program the Nature of Things highlighted UniverCity as a healthy, walkable community on 'The Weight of the World', as did Metro Vancouver on their program 'Our Livable Region'.

UniverCity is also often featured as a leader in sustainable development at workshops and conferences across Canada, the USA, and beyond.

2015 City of Burnaby - Environment Award Planning and Development for Phase 4 of the UniverCity Masterplan

2015 International Living Future Institute Living Building Hero Award

2015 CANstruction Vancouver Local Engineering Award, National Award for Structural Ingenuity, and Vancouver People's Choice Award

2013 Quality Urban Energy Systems of Tomorrow - QUEST Community Energy Builder Award

2013 Canadian Society Landscape Architects - Award of Excellence for the UniverCity Childcare Centre

2013 FortisBC - Award for Excellence in Energy Efficiency in New Construction for Origin

2013 CaGBC National Leadership Awards - Green Building Champion Award (UniverCity Childcare Centre)

2013 Greater Vancouver Home Builders' Association - Ovation Award Best Multi-Family Lowrise Development for Origin

2013 Greater Vancouver Home Builders' Association - Ovation Award Excellence in Energy Efficiency in New Construction: Multi-Family for Origin

2012 Vancouver Regional Construction Association - Silver Award of Excellence Sustainable Construction category for the UniverCity Childcare Centre

2012 City of Burnaby - Environment Award Planning and Development for the UniverCity Childcare Centre

2012 Urban Development Institute - Award for Excellence in Urban Development Best Sustainable for UniverCity Childcare Centre

2012 Planning Institute of British Columbia - Award of Excellence for UniverCity Phase 3 Masterplan & Zoning

2011 Canadian Institute of Planners - Award for Planning Excellence: Neighbourhood Planning

2011 Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Sustainable Communities Award for Integrated Neighbourhood Development

2009 Urban Land Institute - Award for Excellence: The Americas for Best Practice in Design, Architecture and Development

2008 CMHC - Best Practices in Affordable Housing Award for the Verdant @ UniverCity

2008 LivCom Awards - Gold Award and third place-ranking overall in the Sustainable Projects Category

2008 City of Burnaby - Environment Award for Planning and Development for the Verdant @ UniverCity

2008 American Planning Association - National Excellence Award for Innovation in Green Community Planning

2007 Urban Development Institute - Award for Innovations in Creating a More Livable & Sustainable Region

2007 Urban Development Institute - Award to the Verdant @ UniverCity for Innovations in Creating More Sustainable Development

2007 Urban Development Institute - Award to the Verdant @ UniverCity for Innovations in Creating More Affordable Housing

2007 City of Burnaby - Environment Award for Planning and Development

2006 Planning Institute of British Columbia - Award of Excellence for Site Planning and Design

2005 Canadian Home Builders' Association - SAM Award for Best Community Development in Canada

2005 Canadian Home Builders' Association - Georgie Award to The Cornerstone for Best Environmental Consideration and Energy Efficiency

2005 Association of University Real Estate Officials (AUREO) - Award of Excellence

2005 City of Burnaby - Environment Award for Planning and Development for The Cornerstone

2005 Urban Development Institute - Award for Excellence in Urban Development for the Cornerstone

2005 Burnaby Board of Trade - Newsmaker of the Year Award

2005 BC Hydro Power Smart Excellence Award - Residential Building Developer for The Cornerstone



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