Update from the Faculty of Graduate Studies – May 10, 2012 - Scholarships, Workshops and News

External Scholarship Opportunities


Annual Progress Reports

All thesis-based graduate students who show an active registration for the Winter 2012 term will be receiving an email requesting that they complete and submit the on-line progress report to comment on achievements during the past twelve months. If you are using webmail you will need to cut and paste the link in your email to your browser. You will not be able to click on the link directly.

Your achievements can include courses completed, grades received, scholarships, research progress, papers submitted and conferences attended. Academic plans for the upcoming year should also be identified. You can find the Graduate Student Annual Report in your Student Center by going to “other academics’ drop down menu, selecting “Grad Student Annual Prog Rpt” and clicking the arrow. A job aid is attached for your convenience. APR Progress Report Job Aid - Student.pdf. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your Graduate Program Administrator or email gsapr@ucalgary.ca.

Updated Fees and Spring 2012 Fee Payment Plan Now Available

Updated fees for 2012-2013 are available at: [http://www.grad.ucalgary.ca/fees]

The Payment Plan Application Form is now available. Payment plan applications must be submitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies (MLT 213) or Enrolment Services before the fee payment deadline for the Spring session, which is May 18, 2012.

Spring General Fees

Spring General Fee Assessments are now showing in Student Centre. General Fees, such as the Student Services Fee, UPASS, Campus Recreation and Athletics are now charged on a per term basis (with Spring and Summer considered one term).

Fee Payment Deadline

Fee Payment deadline is Friday May 18, 2012.

Extended Health and Dental Insurance

Full time Graduate students in a Distance delivery program can opt in for Extended Health and Dental Insurance during the month of their annual registration and before the fee deadline once every year.
Revised Thesis Guidelines and Templates

The Thesis Guidelines and thesis templates have been revised. A new section on thesis preparation has been created on the FGS website to help Grad Students with their theses. The Previous Thesis Guidelines are still applicable until September 28, 2012. The Guidelines and templates can be found at: http://grad.ucalgary.ca/thesis_dissertation_prep

Important Note for International Grad Students holding an off-campus work permit

International graduate students who have a valid off-campus work permit and who are enrolled in a full-time, thesis based program are restricted by the conditions of the off-campus work permit regulations to work 20 hours per week off campus during the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer terms. This is because grad students are registered as full-time students 12 months of the year, and are working on their thesis/projects when they are not enrolled in courses.

International graduate students who have a valid off-campus work permit and are enrolled in a full-time, course based program and are on regular, academic scheduled break from May to August, are able to work full-time off campus during the Spring/Summer terms. If this is the case, it is recommended that students request formal documentation from their department stating that they are not registered full-time and are on a regular, academic scheduled break. A copy of this letter should be sent to the Designated Institutional Representative for the Off-Campus Work Program at international.advice@ucalgary.ca.

Registration

Graduate Students can begin Fall 2012/Winter 2013 course registration on Wednesday May 30, 2012.

Looking for a Workshop? See below:

Taylor Family Digital Library - Learning Commons Workshops
Questions? Information? Email Leslie Potter BPE or http://library.ucalgary.ca/icinstruct

GSA Wellness Workshops

Writing Workshops – Student Success Centre
For more information about dates, times and locations for all workshops at the Student Success Centre and a link to the registration login page: https://success.ucalgary.ca/home.htm

Writing Boot Camp
The workshop offers a quiet sunny space in the TFDL with plenty of plugs. It is BYOC, bring your own computer. This is only open to a student writing an honours, master, or doctoral thesis.
May 17, 30 1:00-4:00pm

Dissertation/Thesis Support Group
This informal group will be facilitated by Writing Services instructors and group leaders will facilitate peer-to-peer discussion and provide resources on various topics for participants. Students must have completed their proposals.
May 24 2:00-4:00pm

Personal Development & Wellness Workshops – Wellness Centre (MSC 370)
For more information about these free workshops: [http://www.ucalgary.ca/counselling/workshops/#Personal](http://www.ucalgary.ca/counselling/workshops/#Personal)
For events happening at the Faith and Spirituality Centre: [http://www.ucalgary.ca/faithandspirituality/event](http://www.ucalgary.ca/faithandspirituality/event)

**Workshops – Teaching & Learning Centre**
Information about all workshops at the Teaching & Learning Centre: [http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/workshops/](http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/workshops/)


Course Design Workshop (1 full day and 2 half days)
Tuesdays May 8, 15 and 22

Teaching in Canadian Classrooms (5 Days)
May 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 9:00-4:00pm

Creative Thinking
May 16, 12:00-2:00pm
Presenter: Hesham Khairy, PhD, MD
For more information: [http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1221](http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1221)

Assessment Tools in Blackboard
Thursday May 17, 1:00-3:00pm

Memory: User Guide
May 18, 12:00-2:00pm
Presenter: Hesham Khairy, PhD, MD
For more information: [http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1222](http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1222)

Getting Started with Adobe Presenter
May 24, 10:00-12:00pm

First Steps Series For Online Teaching: #4 - Online Student Assessment
May 29, 10:00–12:00pm
Presenters: Patrick Kelly and Hailan Chen
[http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1215](http://tlc.ucalgary.ca/teaching/workshops/1215)

**Useful Links**

- [Academic Schedule](#)
- [U This Week](#)
- [Research in Action Online](#)
- [Graduate Student Association](#)
- [Postdoctoral Program](#)

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