Update from the Faculty of Graduate Studies
– August 9, 2012 –

Important Dates
August 31, 2012 – Last day to successfully complete PhD Candidacy in Spring/Summer session and move to Continuing fees in Fall 2012
August 31, 2012 – Last day to submit photos for FGS/GSA photo contest.
September 7, 2012 – New Graduate Student Orientation
September 28, 2012 – Last day to apply for November Graduation Ceremonies
(www.grad.ucalgary.ca/deadlines)
September 28, 2012 – Last day to submit final approved thesis to the Faculty of Graduate Studies to have registration and fees cancelled for the Fall 2012 session & be eligible for November Graduation Ceremonies

FGS/GSA Photo Contest
Do you have a photo that captures your graduate research? Enter the FGS/GSA photo contest for a cash prize and a chance to have your photo permanently displayed in the new FGS/GSA offices in the MacKimmie Library Tower.

Check out the prizes, rules and regulations at http://www.grad.ucalgary.ca/
Deadline for submissions: August 31, 2012. Please send your submissions to vpsl@gsa.ucalgary.ca

Thesis News
Electronic Thesis Submission is now available!
Graduate Students can now choose to submit your theses electronically to theses.ucalgary.ca. Please note that all forms must be submitted to the FGS office prior to electronic submission. Visit our website for more information.

PhD News
PhD Candidacy Examinations
PhD students pay full program fees until the term immediately following successful completion of a candidacy exam. Note that Spring and Summer are counted as one 4 month term i.e. If you have a successful candidacy exam between May 1, 2012 and August 31, 2012 your fees will change to continuing fees starting in the Fall 2012 term. (This does not apply to EdD students in the Faculty of Education.)

Workshop News
Writing Workshops
The Student Success Centre offers a range of workshops.

Dissertation/Thesis Support Group
August 16, 2:00-4:00pm
This informal group will be facilitated by Writing Support Services instructors and group leaders to initiate peer-to-peer discussion and provide resources on various topics for participants. Students must have completed their proposals.
Writing Boot Camp: Honours, Master’s or Doctoral Thesis writers – bring your own computer and get the tips you need.
August 22, 1:00-4:00pm (TFDL)

Workshops – Teaching & Learning Centre
See other workshops at the Teaching & Learning Centre.

TA Preparedness Workshop
September 4 & 5, 2012, 9:00am – 4:00pm – Biological Sciences 587
Cost: Free for all graduate students.
Registration required.

Taylor Family Digital Library – Learning Commons Workshops
See http://library.ucalgary.ca/icinstruct for all Learning Commons workshop info and dates.

Endnote: Personal Research Assistant Software
August 15, 2:00pm – 5:00pm (TFDL 440A)

Thesis Formatting
August 16, 3:00pm – 5:00pm (TFDL 440A)

Useful Links
Academic Schedule
U This Week
Research in Action Online
Graduate Student Association
Postdoctoral Program

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