IMPORTANT UPDATES

NEW!! The College @ UCalgary

The College @ the University of Calgary is a brand new initiative that will bring together a core community of exceptional scholars to realize a bold and exciting vision to connect, enrich and energize our communities.

The College is currently inviting applications for 2015-16 membership from graduate students and postdoctoral scholars interested in taking on a role as either a resident or non-resident scholar. Both incoming and in-program students and PDFs are eligible to apply. Applications are due May 4, 2015.

Full information about The College and its application process, timeline, criteria, and requirements are provided on The College website. Questions about The College and/or the application process may be directed to rthompso@ucalgary.ca.

Spring General Fees

- All graduate students are registered for 12 months and general fees are assessed in the Fall, Winter and Spring terms of the 12 month registration year regardless of whether you are taking a course in that term or not.
- Most of a graduate student’s general fees are assessed on a “term by term” or pay as you go basis. The exceptions are the Graduate Student Association, and Graduate Student Health and Dental Plan fees.
- Students in a Master’s thesis or Doctoral program are assessed tuition fees in the Spring and Summer term. See our website for more details on tuition fees.
- Full-time student registration includes a charge for the Grad UPASS (Transit Pass) for the Spring and Summer 2015 session. To find out where and when you can pick up your transit pass, see below.

Spring/Summer UPASS

The Spring/Summer UPass will be available to eligible students at Campus Ticket Centre (MSC) and Parking & Transportation Services (North End of McMahon Stadium) starting April 27. Visit www.ucalgary.ca/upass for hours of operation. The UPass will be valid from May 1 until August 31, 2015. Additionally it will be available at Health Science Centre at the Foothills Campus (Outside of the Feasby Student Lounge) on the following dates and times:
  - April 27: 9 am to Noon
  - April 29: 11 am to 2 pm
  - May 5: 9 am to Noon
  - May 7: 11 am to 2 pm

SCHOLARSHIPS

MEXT Scholarship to Study in Japan

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Monbukagakusho/MEXT) of the Government of Japan offers scholarships to foreign students who wish to study at Japanese universities. Deadline May 15, 2015. Apply now!

Summer Programs in Japan or Taiwan

The Summer Programs in Japan or Taiwan provide graduate students in science and engineering with a hands-on research experience and an introduction to a different culture, language, and university research system. Deadline June 10, 2015. Apply now!

External Competition Deadlines

- Branch Out Neurological Foundation: Doctoral deadline April 30, 2015
- Canadian Japanese Mennonite Scholarship: Deadline May 1, 2015
- Canadian Derivatives Exchange Scholars Program: Deadline May 6, 2015
AROUND CAMPUS

Kick Start Your Summer of Graduate Research and Writing! Attend Grad Success Week from May 7 to 11.

**Grad Success Week**

Kick start your summer of graduate research and writing

May 4 - 7, 2015 | Register at ucalgary.ca/ssc

This summer, count on being productive. Grad Success Week offers a week of seminars and events designed to help graduate students prepare and focus on their important research projects. The summertime is the perfect time to get down to business, and this week of free events will ensure you’re set up for success. Register at ucalgary.ca/ssc.

Students Helping Students

Through the Graduate Coaching Program, the SSC will connect you with a trained graduate peer who will help you with goal setting, motivation, time management, and implementing feedback. Get more information online or email wconline@ucalgary.ca

Labyrinth: A relaxing, quiet place to study or meditate

April 20 - 24 | 11:00 am – 4:00 pm | Dance Studio, KNA 162

Stop by the Dance Studio in Kinesiology to relax, refresh, meditate and de-stress. There will be a Labyrinth available for walking meditation, mats for resting and lamps for studying. Everyone is welcome! Co-sponsored by the Department of Dance.

Connect with NSERC’s President on a Vision for 2020

May 5 | 10am – 12pm | EEEL 161

This consultation session provides researchers, students, administrators and stakeholders an opportunity to learn more about NSERC’s President as well as obtain views and feedback on NSERC 2020 Strategy Plan. Register here.

Community Helpers Training

May 6 - 8 | 8:30 am – 4:40 pm | Bianca Room, MacEwan Hall

The Community Helpers Program provides the mechanisms to identify and support existing “natural” helpers for youth and young adults in the community. The intent of the program is to build a bridge between the informal and formal support for youth in the community and to provide awareness of existing supports and services. Participants are expected to attend all three training days. Register Here

Return of the W21C Innovation Academy: Call for Abstracts!

In 2013, thirteen health care ideas, prototypes, apps, programs, and innovations duked it out in this fast-paced business pitch competition for funding to enhance their entry as well as a place to compete at the first World Innovation Day. Three Calgary teams went on to World Innovation Day taking first, third and fourth place at the competition. We are now accepting submissions to compete for the 2015 W21C Innovation Academy on September 24 at Mac Hall. We want to involve as many faculties from across campus as possible. The winning teams from this year’s competition will compete at against global teams at World Innovation Day in 2016, which is scheduled for August in Calgary at TELUS Spark. Anyone can apply! The call for abstracts is open until May 15, 2015. Questions? Contact jmacgreg@ucalgary.ca or w21c@ucalgary.ca.

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