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Important Dates

August 31 – Last day to successfully complete your candidacy examination in order to have reduced Fall fees

Sept. 1 – Labour Day, University Closed
Sept. 2 - 6 – Block Week
Sept. 4 – International Graduate Student Orientation
Sept. 5 – Graduate Student Orientation
Sept. 6 – Last to withdraw with permission from Fall Block Week courses
Sept. 8 – Fall term lectures begin
Sept. 19 – Last day to drop Fall full and half courses
– No refunds for Fall full or half courses or multi-term courses after this date
Sept. 22 – Last day to add or swap Fall full and half courses
– Last day for change in registration from audit to credit or credit to audit
Sept. 26 – Fall Fee Payment Deadline
– Last day to submit thesis or dissertation to be eligible for Nov. 2014 convocation

Keep Up to Date
Want to know what is happening in the world of graduate studies at the University of Calgary? Check out our homepage for news about programs, students, and faculty. Follow us on Twitter or Like us on Facebook to hear about interesting and exciting events and get reminders of important things like fee payment deadline.

Scholarship Competitions

Vanier: Deadline to submit the Preliminary Assessment Form (PAF) is Friday, September 5, 2014.

Scholarship Workshops

Are you interested in applying for national, provincial and/or UCalgary scholarships? Dr. George Shimizu, Associate Dean (Scholarships) and Vanier Scholars Ryan Lewinson and Kelsey Collins are hosting a number of workshops this fall to present on how to complete a successful graduate scholarship application.

Canada Graduate Scholarships (CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC) Master’s – CGS-M: The national government CGS-M program supports students who demonstrate a high standard of achievement in undergraduate and graduate study. Workshops: Wednesday, September 10 | 2.30-4.00 | Foothills Campus, HS G750
– Wednesday, September 17 | 10.00-11.30 am | Main Campus, TFDL Gallery Hall
– Wednesday, October 15 | 11.00-12.00 am | Main Campus TFDL Gallery Hall

SSHRC - Postgraduate Award Competition - GAC: Eligible students can apply for the Isaac Walter Killam Pre-Doctoral, Alberta Innovates – Technology Futures (AIF), Open Doctoral scholarships and Special awards and Bursaries through the GAC.
– Workshops: Wednesday, November 26, 11.00-12.00 am, Foothills Campus, HS G750
– Friday, November 28, 10.00-11.30 am | Main Campus, TFDL Gallery Hall
– Wednesday, December 03 | 10.00-11.30 am | Main Campus, TFDL Gallery Hall
– Wednesday, January 14 | 10.00-11.30 am | Main Campus, TFDL Gallery Hall

New International Students: Social Insurance Number

Service Canada has changed their policy on documents required for international grad students to obtain a Social Insurance Number (SIN). If your study permit does not allow you to work (you do not have a SIN) contact your Graduate Program Administrator or International Student Services for assistance.

Time to Pick Up Your UPASS?

Are you a September start student? Please register and then wait two days before picking up your UPASS.

Convocation Deadline Extended

Extended deadline to apply for graduation through your student centre is August 31.

Writing Support Services/Student Success Centre Workshops

Need help with the writing process? Check out these great workshops!
– Getting started: September 23 | 6:00pm – 7:30pm | TFDL 440D
– Academic integrity and using sources effectively: October 7 | 6:00-7:30 | TFDL 440D
– Strategies for developing research proposals: October 21 | 6:00-7:30 | TFDL 440D

Graduate Orientation is Open for Registration!

Newly admitted graduate students are invited to attend Graduate Orientation on Friday, September 5. Discover the resources and meet the people that will help support your success as a graduate student at the University of Calgary. Sign up today! Finish GradO at the 2014 Kick Off, where the Dinos will take on the UofA Bears! Tailgate, 3:30pm. Kick off, 5:30pm.

Welcome Party!

August 29 | 1:00pm – 4:00pm | UCalgary Welcome Centre, 4th Floor, MacEwan Hall
If you are a “new to Calgary” student, you are invited to the UCalgary Welcome Centre Welcome Party! Join us to learn about the resources and support we provide to assist with the transition to UCalgary! We will also be serving cake and beverages and handing out Welcome Bags! Connect with us in-person, on Facebook, or via email for more information.

Last Chance! Graduate Research Photo Contest

Enter the FGS/GSA photo contest for a cash prize and a chance to have your photo permanently displayed in the FGS/GSA offices in MLT! Please read the full submission guidelines and send your submissions to vpsl@ucalgary.ca by August 29.

TA Orientation Day

September 12 | 8:30am – 4:00pm | BS 587
This full day event involves interactive sessions which will provide opportunities to discuss the roles and responsibilities of a TA; develop effective teaching and communication strategies; become familiar with campus resources to support you as a TA; and, make connections with your peers from across campus. Lunch and refreshments provided. To register contact Mary-Jane Leeder (403-220-3493). Please note that this is a cross-disciplinary orientation program which does not replace TA training that may be offered in your department or faculty.