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IMPORTANT DATES

November 11 – Remembrance Day (Most University Offices Closed)

November 17 – End of grade-of-W drop period

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3 – Coffee Party with the Dean & Associate Dean in ED 438 @1PM

November 5 – Program Pizza Party PSEN – check emails from Wendy for details

November 21 – 12pm (Room TBA) – Engineering Seminar Series Session 1 (mandatory attendance for MASc and PhD for 2 of the 3 sessions)

November 28 – Engineering Ethics Zoom seminar @12pm. Registration required, more information to follow closer to the date.

APEGS WEBINAR

APEGS has a webinar available on November 13 to provide information about applying to APEGS and the academic credentials needed. If you are interested, please attend!

The link to the event is <https://www.apegs.ca/event/navigating-the-engineer-in-training-geoscientist-in-training-application-process-an-apegs-webinar>.

GTA/TA POSITIONS

GTA/TA positions for the Winter 2026 term will be posted on **November 3, 2025**. Your application must be sent in by the closing deadline of **November 17, 2025** to be considered.

Please apply on the UR careers website and view the GTA/TA postings using this link:
<https://urcareers.uregina.ca/>.

If you are planning on applying, please read the following Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ensure that you have completed the mandatory Graduate Teaching Enhancement Courses: **Grad Thrive Plus 801** and **GRST 800AB** course. Grad Thrive Plus 801 (previously 800AA) must be completed by the end of the first semester in which a student begins their program, in order to be eligible.

Recipients of the GTA who have not already completed the Graduate Teaching Enhancement Course (**GTEC/GRST 800AB**) regularly offered by the University, will be required to do so within two semesters of their first GTA. **Should a student fail to complete GTEC within two semesters students will not be allowed to hold a GTA or GTF until after they have completed the course**

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*Please contact grad.funding@uregina.ca to be registered in GRST 800AB. You can view the upcoming sessions at this link here [Centre for Teaching and Learning » GRST 800 – Graduate Teaching Enhancement Course \(GTEC\)](#)

2. **Ensure that you are registered in 6 credit hours as a full-time student.** Awardees are required to be registered full-time by the 5th day of the first month (January, May, or September) or by an earlier date if specified by the academic unit, of the semester in which the award is to be paid to meet payroll deadlines. **Note: payment will be withheld until the student is registered full time.**

3. **A SIN (Social Insurance Number) or TTN (Temporary Tax Number) –** is required for all positions before payroll can be processed. Information on how to apply for a Social Insurance number of Temporary Tax Number (for students on a Study Permit) is available on the Human Resources web-site: <https://www.uregina.ca/hr/students/employment/apply-for-sin.html>.

4. Students who have never been paid through the University of Regina are to complete a TD1, TD1 SK and an Authorization for Direct Deposit and Union Dues Deduction Authorization – CUPE 2419 available from the Human Resources website (<https://www.uregina.ca/hr/students/employment/forms.html>).

If this is your first semester at the University of Regina with no grades yet, in addition to the unofficial transcript found in UR Self Service or the official transcript from MyCreds, you MUST also provide a copy of your last institution transcript along with the grading key in order to be considered. You must combine these documents into one document and then upload them.”

MINING VIRTUAL CAREER FAIR



**Mining Needs You
Virtual Career Fair**

November 24 & 25, 2025
10 am - 7 pm EST

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CIM ICM Canadian Institute of Mining
Metallurgy and Petroleum
Institute canadien des mines
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ADVISING APPOINTMENTS

To book an advising appointment with Gina or Wendy, please use this link:

<https://www.uregina.ca/engineering/students/advising.html>

Wendy – ERSE, PSE, PSEN, SSE advising, graduate transfers, academic action (rtd, probationary, etc)

Gina – ESE, EVSE, ISE advising, graduate coop, admissions, funding, scholarships

CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITY

Cooperative First focusses on the motivated and innovative Western Canadians who want to live enriching lives and be a part of cooperative and want to start a co-op. They provide assistance via free guidance and resources to reduce the confusion and stress of starting a new business, and provide support every step of the way. Check out their story and values of practicality, integrity, social responsibility, accessibility, and continuous improvement at <https://cooperativesfirst.com/our-story/>. Check out their courses at <https://cooperativesfirst.com/take-an-online-course/>; there are also links to webinars and more, including the opportunity to win \$15,000 of expert support (for free!)

Here is the link for Teaming Up on a Start Up: https://cooperativesfirst.com/team-up-on-a-start-up-contest/?_x_zm_rtaid=Pgjf9LDVQGC1O56CV96-lg.1760631308666.314f61b68e087521694ec8242b49d73b&_x_zm_rtaid=55 to complete for \$

Another opportunity for post-secondary students and graduates includes the *2025-26 Minerva Canada Case Study Competition*

Minerva Canada in partnership with the Chemistry Industry Association of Canada, Service Hospitality and The Conference Board of Canada welcomes all post-secondary students in Canada and those who have graduated in the last two years from a post-secondary school and are now in the workplace to apply for this award. Final date for submissions is January 12, 2026. Details (including past case competition documents) can be found at: <https://safetymanagementeducation.com/minerva-case-study-competition/>

GRAD FUNDING

Travel Awards

Have you traveled to a conference to promote your research, or will you be traveling this Fall? Then the [FGSR Graduate Student Online Conference or Travel Award](#) and [URGSA Travel Awards](#) might be an option for you to help support your research mobilization. The competition for travel awards opens November 1st and closes November 30th. Please read the scholarships descriptions carefully as the FGSR award is for those that will be traveling and the URGSA is for those that have already traveled.

GATE CENTRE

President Keshen's Regina Chamber of Commerce Executive Event: Thursday, November 27 (4:00-6:30pm)

This is a rare opportunity to personally meet and network with top CEOs in Saskatchewan. There are only 75 spots available, be one of the first to register and secure your spot by filling out this registration form by November 17th:

https://uregina.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bOxctdRmZ1efr2m

GATE @ The Summit: Friday, November 28 (7:45am-5:30pm (there is a morning and afternoon sessions available))

There are only 100 spots available for motivated grad students to join us for FREE at our *first-ever* professional development day! Thanks to the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research (FGSR) and GATE, your \$25 registration fee is fully covered, but spots are limited and will go fast (first come, first served)!

Register and secure your spot by filling out this registration form by November 17th:

https://uregina.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_agAajHgNLG4CdWS

GRAD ENGAGEMENT

Thesis Jumpstart - Nov 28 & 29 - Thesis Jumpstart is a two-day writing retreat designed to help graduate students make real progress on their thesis or proposal. Through short, focused sessions and long blocks of dedicated writing time, you'll learn effective strategies, connect with peers, and build momentum toward completion. Open to all thesis-based graduate students — whether you're just starting your proposal or thesis, or nearing the finish line. Interested? Register [here](#)

Entrepreneurship Week – Nov 17 – 21 – Mark your calendars and stay tune for details coming soon!

Other Events:

- Nov 5, 4-6pm – GradNight at Trifons
- Nov 5, 7-9pm – Taste of Research at Darke Hall, Register [here](#).
- Nov 18, 2:30 PM - 3:30pm - Coffee with the Dean

Workshops:

- **Nov 7, 12pm** - Building Wealth in Canada. Register [here](#).
- **Nov 26, 12pm** - Ten healthy habits of Financial Management. Register [here](#).

3MT Competition launches - Want to showcase your research and maybe win some money? The Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) is an internationally recognized competition for thesis-based graduate students to present their work and its wider impact in three minutes or less, in an accessible and compelling way with only one static slide. The U of R winner will receive a \$1,500 prize and progresses to the Western Regional Final. For more details, visit [3MT at the UofR](#). Register [here](#) to compete by Jan. 16, plus compete in the first heat in February for a chance to win one of three \$100 gift cards.

- Jan 16, 10-11:30am - **How to become a 3MT Champion Information Session**, ED114. Register [here](#).

GRADUATE KEYS AND OFFICE SPACE

Graduate students must use the faculty's Key Request Workflow for new access requests and annual renewals. This is for MEng, MASc, PhD, and Visiting Students. The Workflow and further instructions are found within the "Engineering Safety Orientation" on UR Courses.

If you are not yet enrolled in this orientation, please contact Engg.Safety@uregina.ca.

Graduate Student Offices:

Thesis students may be assigned a graduate office during their studies for their degree, and while they are presently active (i.e. currently registered and/or not on leave). This is a desk, chair and filing drawer in a shared space in either the RIC, PTRC or GG buildings. Professors that have dry lab space with cubicles will be asked to place their students there first.

How do I apply?

To be added to the waitlist for office space, you will want to fill out this form and then email it to engg.grad@uregina.ca. We will send you a confirmation email that you have been placed on the waitlist. [Waitlist Form](#)

How long will it take before I hear back?

We may have to put your name on our waiting list (there is approximately a one (1) semester wait, and some even have a two (2) semester wait depending on the number of requests.

Until when can I keep this office & Key returns

Within one (1) month of defending your thesis, you must return your key to the Engineering Main office along and email the key return form and photo of your cleaned desk to engg.grad@uregina.ca. If you require an extension, please contact engg.grad@uregina.ca

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- [Tips for Funding and Scholarships](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Scholarships with November Deadlines](#)

Workshops related to scholarships

- How to Fund your Graduate Studies- Nov 20 at 10:30 a.m., via Zoom – [Register Here](#)

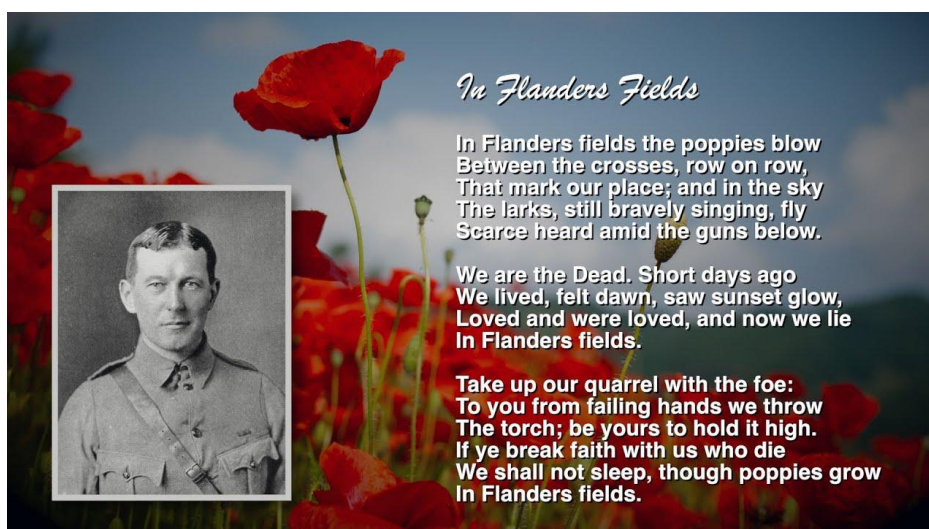


Canadians recognize Remembrance Day every November 11th at 11 a.m. It marks the end of hostilities during the First World War and an opportunity to honour all those who have served and remember those who have lost their lives.

The poppy was first introduced to Canada by Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae, a Canadian Medical Officer during the First World War. John McCrae penned the Poem "In Flanders Fields" on a scrap of paper in May, 1915 on the day following the death of a fellow soldier. This poem is still recited across the country on November 11th every year.

The poppy is worn each year during the Remembrance period to honour Canada's Fallen.

John McCrae Heritage Minute: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZDme90k5gY>



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