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IMPORTANT DATES

September 1 – Labour Day – No Classes! Most University Offices Closed
September 15 – LAST day to ADD/DROP without penalty (for most classes)
September 16 – New student orientation (Wendy to send invitations soon)
September 24 – Coffee Party! 3pm to 4pm in ED436.14
September 29 – Fall tuition is due today! End of penalty-free payment period
September 29 – Last Day to Add/drop a class for 50% tuition refund (for most classes)
September 30 – National Truth and Reconciliation Day- No Classes! Most University Offices Closed

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Book an advising appointment:

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

NEW COURSE WINTER 2026

ENGG 705 – 3 credit hours, will fulfill any ENGG or ENXX slot on your program sheet. Topics for this course are MatLab, Excel, Solid Edge, and Ansys. This course will be an intensive (condensed) offering and the tentative schedule will be over the Winter break in February. More information will be provided to students during the fall term. It will not be on UR Self Service until January. Stay tuned!

GRAD EVENTS

Sep 19, 12 pm - Conference Proposal Writing Workshop. Zoom. Register [here](#).

Funding Workshops: How to complete Doctoral Applications for (virtual):

- Sep. 4, 2p.m. - CIHR Register [here](#).
- Sep. 8, 2p.m. - NSERC Register [here](#).
- Sep. 9, 2p.m. - SSHRC Register [here](#).
- Sep. 10, 10:30 a.m. - GAP How to apply session- Register [here](#).
- Sep. 10, 2p.m. - How to write a Doctoral Research Proposal- in person CK226- Register [here](#).

GATE's CAREERS WEEK - SEP 15-19

Sep 15, 12pm - Career Direction for Grad Students (CESL). Zoom. Register [here](#).

Sep 16, 12pm - Customizing Resumes for Grad Students (CESL). Zoom. Register [here](#).

Sep 17, 12pm - Networking for Grad Students (CESL). Zoom. Register [here](#).

Sep 18, 12pm - LinkedIn Power Hour with GATE. Zoom. Register [here](#).

September GATE Events:

- **Careers Week:** GATE is partnering with Centre for Experiential and Service Learning (CESL) to get you ready for the CESL Career Fair on Monday, September 22! Join GATE for a series of workshops designed to sharpen your skills and boost your confidence so you can put your best foot forward and make the most of every networking opportunity!
 - [September 15](#)
 - [September 16](#)
 - [September 17](#)
 - [September 18](#)
- **GATE Goes to...** a new initiative by GATE designed to immerse graduate students in Saskatchewan's innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem! GATE will connect with industry, expand your network, and gain fun, real world experiences. Each event explores a different industry and opens the door to new opportunities.
 - [September 11: Startup Summit](#)
 - [September 18: WESK Summit](#)
 - [September 23/24: ICED Energy Conference](#)
- **Real Talk with GATE:** A new initiative by GATE designed to spark honest conversations about entrepreneurship, innovation, and making an impact. Join Hannah and Ashley for a drop-in session where they'll listen, answer your questions, and help you connect with others ready to make a difference. Real talk. Real ideas. Real impact.
 - [September 8](#)
 - [September 22](#)
- **Reverse Career Fair:** This isn't your typical career fair! The tables are turned and employers go from table to table to speed network with you! The event brings together top-notch industry professionals and CEOs from major Saskatchewan businesses. This is your chance to shine, pitch yourself, showcase your research, skills, and talents directly to prospective employers, industry and community partners who are eager to discover fresh talent.
 - [October 1](#)
 - [October 2](#)

GRAD FUNDING

A new Fall semester means lots of new scholarship opportunities!! Starting September first FGSR will open the Fall competition in the [Graduate Awards Portal \(GAP\)](#). Never use GAP before? Used it but want tips on your application? Join the FGSR funding team for the GAP how to apply session on [Sept 10th](#) and they will show you how to use the system and give you tips and tricks on how to apply for scholarships.

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GRAD DEFENSE

Thesis submission deadlines:

Fall term PhD thesis submission deadline: October 24, 2025

Fall term Master's thesis submission deadline: November 7, 2025

For more information about thesis submission and defense email: grad.defense@uregina.ca

Convocation deadlines:

2026 Spring (June) Convocation application deadline: January 31, 2026.

For more information about applying to graduate email: grad.defense@uregina.ca

New Graduate Program Completion Letter request form web page:

<https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/thesis-project-prac/request-completion-letter.html>

DEANS HONOUR LIST

The Deans Honours list recognizes academic achievements by graduate students. To be eligible students must have completed all course requirements and have a CGPA of 90% or greater.

Students will be awarded with a certificate and an invitation to a celebratory lunch with the Dean and Associate Dean of the Faculty of Engineering.

Eligible students will be notified by Wendy at the end of each semester.

Note that this does not appear on official transcripts.

GRADUATE RESEARCH SHOWCASE

Did you publish a paper in Spring Summer 2025? If yes, we would like to highlight your accomplishment on the website!

A call will be made for submissions to the research showcase three time a year. Submissions are accepted in May (if you published during Winter term), September (if you published during Spring Summer term) and January (if you published during Fall term).

When you receive the call for submissions, submit your paper for the Research Showcase by filling out the Application Form and submit it via email to Gina.MacPherson@uregina.ca per the timeline above. This website will be updated once per term with all submissions.

MAINTENANCE OF CANDIDACY

Thesis-based students who have completed the credit hour component of their program of studies, but have not completed all of the formal approved degree requirements (e.g. written a thesis and defense) are to register in:

GRST 995AA – Full-time Maintenance of Candidacy

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Outside of the Program (related discipline, extra to the program, or undergraduate classes): Permission must be sought prior to registration in the course and it needs to be relevant to the program. Requests must be sent through UR Self-Service (graduate requests) except for undergraduate courses, contact your advisor for the override.

Required courses that have specific timing:

ENGG 701 – Offered in Winter only and is for MEng students

ENGG 702 – Offered in Spring/Summer only and is for MEng students

ENGG 703 – Offered in Fall only and is for MEng students

ENGG 800 - This course is available only for PhD students and should be registered in 1/2 way through your research credit hours.

ENGG 900 – This course is for Thesis-based students only and is offered in Fall and Winter. It is NOT offered in Spring Summer. This course has a prerequisite of 6 901 hours.

GRST 801 - All new students must complete this no cost tutorial in their first semester.

TA/GTA POSITIONS

GTA/TA payroll letters will be out in early September. Please ensure your current visa letter and registration are complete to ensure you are eligible for a potential job offer. Only selected students will be contacted.

COOP APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINE

The application deadline for Co-op for a Winter 2026 Work Term is September 12.

Check out their website at <https://www.uregina.ca/academics/work-experience/co-op/index.html>

Students can apply through the Career Connect portal at <https://careerconnect.uregina.ca/>. Please have your academic supervisor sign the attached form and include it with your application and work permit when you apply. Shortly after submitting your application, your coordinator will be in touch to set up an entrance meeting with you. The meeting will be conducted via MS Teams or in the CESL Office. (Riddell Centre 163) International Student?

If you are an International student and you want to apply for Co-op for Winter 2026, you must already have applied for your co-op work permit and have provided our office proof of your application.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Students have been notified via their @uregina.ca and preferred email addresses that **tuition and fees are due on the first day of classes each term.**

To remain enrolled in their selected **Winter 2026** classes, students must ensure their student account is either:

- **Paid in full**, or
- **Reduced to a balance under \$2,000**

on or before September 29, 2025, unless they have confirmed student financial aid in place.

Key Dates and Impacts:

- **October 1, 2025** – Late fees applied
- **October 2, 2025** – Registration holds applied (prevents adding/dropping classes)
- **October 27, 2025** – Deregistration from Winter 2026 classes

If students do not meet the payment requirement by **September 29**, they will be **deregistered from all Winter 2026 (term 202610) classes**, and their seats will not be held. Students may re-register once their account balance is below \$2,000, but **course availability is not guaranteed**, and they may not be able to return to their original schedule.

Payment Options for Students:

Students can pay their tuition and fees through:

- Online credit card payments
- Internet or telephone banking
- In-person or mail payments
- Flywire (for international students)
- Government student financial assistance

Note: Financial aid funds do not need to be received by September 29, 2025. However, the University must have **confirmed the student's enrolment** with their provincial funding body by that date.

If the student is being **band funded or have a third-party organization** paying their tuition, please ensure they send in a sponsorship form to the college you are registered through and

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then the university will invoice them directly after the last day to add and drop classes. Sponsorship forms can be found online <https://www.uregina.ca/financial-services/assets/fs-forms/student sponsorship form.pdf>. The funding does not need to be received by September 29, 2025; however, the sponsorship form needs to have been received.

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