

Graduate Student Orientation

Faculty of Graduate Studies & Research | University of Regina | 2026

✉ grad.studies@uregina.ca

🌐 uregina.ca/fgsr

📍 CKHS 2A, Room 227

M–F: 8am–12pm & 1–4:15pm

📌 5 Key Messages

Check Your Credit Hours

- 1 Verify you're enrolled in the correct courses and have the required credit hours each semester.

When Unexpected Things Happen

- 2 Options: Deferral, Leave of Absence, Course Withdrawal*, or Voluntary Withdrawal.
*May impact study/work permit.

Check Program Requirements

- 3 Passing grade = 70% (even for undergrad classes).
You can only fail ONE course ever — including 0-credit or research hours.

Know Your Grad Coordinator

- 4 Your first point of contact for program questions (see contacts below).

Academic Integrity

- 5 Know the policies.
Visit academic-integrity.uregina.ca

🏠 Who to Contact for Help

Start with your host unit and faculty first, then escalate:

- Supervisor(s)
- Graduate Coordinator
- Graduate Admin Support / Advisor
- Associate Dean Research (in your faculty)
- FGSR Associate Dean — Grad.AssocDean@uregina.ca
- Dean, FGSR

🏠 Thesis, Defense & Graduation

Visit: uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/thesis-project-prac

- Thesis Thursdays - virtual writing group & virtual workshops
- Thesis Jumpstart! – writing retreat to get a jumpstart on your thesis or the final push to complete your thesis
- Register for events: uregina.libcal.com/calendar/grst

Graduation is NOT automatic — you must apply!

- Spring Convocation: apply Aug 1 – Jan 31
- Fall Convocation: apply Feb 1 – Jul 31

Contact: grad.defense@uregina.ca

📖 Mandatory Courses

GRST 801	Grad Thrive Plus — complete in first semester. Covers Academic Integrity, EDI & Wellness, Reconciliation. Graded C/N.
GRST 800AB	GTEC — required if you have a Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA). Auto enrolled; check UR Self-Service for time/location.

💰 Scholarships & Funding

FGSR managed \$8.5M+ in 2025, supporting 1,350+ students.

To stay eligible:

- Complete GRST 801 in your first semester
- Maintain a GPA of at least 80%
- Take GRST 800AB if you have a GTA

Questions? grad.funding@uregina.ca

👤 Graduate Program Coordinators

Business	Raelynn Norbeck
Engineering	Gina MacPherson
Education	Amy Pledger
JSGS	Tamela Friesen/Heidi Eger
Kinesiology & Health Studies	Jennifer Love Green
La Cité	Dr. Michael Akinpelu
Nursing	Gillian Borys
Social Work	Connie Ding
Arts, MAP & Science	Varies by department

🎓 Student Experience & Student Groups

- Coffee with the Dean / Grad Night
- Summer Research Institute (May–Aug), Research Week (Oct), 3MT Competition (Jan – Mar)
- Research Communications Digital Badge
- GATE Centre — career & entrepreneurship
Gate.Innovation@uregina.ca
- INSPIRE — inspire@uregina.ca
- BIPOC GSA — grad.bipoc@uregina.ca
- SAGE — sage@uregina.ca
- URGSA — student rep & funding — ed@ureginagsa.ca

For more information, contact: grad.engagement@uregina.ca
Monthly newsletter: GradDigest (first business day each month)
All events: uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/events

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