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April 2026

This newsletter will be delivered to you on a monthly basis with content curated for USask's graduate community. Scroll through to learn about upcoming events, opportunities, and more.



Deadlines

Apr. 27: [Falling Walls Lab Edmonton - Application Deadline](#)

May 15: [Canada Impact+ Research Training Awards - Wave 2 Nomination Deadline](#)

May. 25: [Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements - Application Deadline](#)

Events

Apr. 30: [InterD Annual Symposium 2026](#)

May 4 - 8: [Virtual Career Conference | Beyond the Professoriate](#)

May. 27: [Falling Walls Lab Edmonton](#)

View all upcoming dates and deadlines in the [CGPS Calendar](#).

Grad Community



Annual InterD Symposium | Celebrate InterD graduate research

The USask community is invited to attend the [Annual InterD Symposium](#) taking place on **April 30, 2026**, from 11AM to 2PM, in ARTS 256.

This event provides an opportunity to celebrate InterD graduate research and strengthen community through meaningful dialogue and shared learning. The symposium will feature presentations by InterD students, each highlighting their research and its interdisciplinary significance. These presentations aim to foster thoughtful discussion and encourage exchange across disciplines on questions of common interest. [Learn more about the presenters.](#)

Whether you are a student, staff, or faculty member, we encourage you to join the interdisciplinary dialogue. Refreshments provided. [Let us know you're coming.](#)

Relationship Matters: Strategies for Inclusive and Supportive Supervision

Graduate supervisors from across the country are invited to this year's half-day conference, [Relationship Matters: Strategies for Inclusive and Supportive Supervision](#) on **Friday, May 8, 2026**. Recognizing the supervisory relationship as the backbone of graduate student success and satisfaction, this year's panelists will offer practical strategies for fostering inclusion and robust support for graduate students.

This is the third annual national online conference on graduate supervision hosted by McGill, in partnership with the University of Regina, the First Nations University of Canada, and the CAGS National Community of Practice on Graduate Supervision. [Register now.](#)

Acute Care Health Research Training | Applications now open

Applications are now open for the 2026 to 2028 cohort of the [LifTING & Sepsis Canada Health Research Training Platform](#). This fully CIHR-funded, **free** 2-year virtual program supports individuals interested in engaging in research related to life-threatening illness and sepsis.

The program includes interactive training, mentorship, a funded research practicum, and an in-person annual symposium. Early-career researchers, healthcare professionals, patient and family partners, graduate students, research coordinators, and knowledge users are invited to apply by **May 15th, 2026**. [Learn more.](#)

How is AI shaping teaching and learning at USask?

Students and faculty have an opportunity to weigh in through the AI in Higher Education Survey, conducted by the Digital Education Council (DEC) in collaboration with USask. The anonymous survey takes about 10 minutes and focuses on how artificial intelligence is influencing teaching, learning and assessment - and how it should be considered moving forward. The survey closes May 8. [Share your perspective.](#)

Is Misinformation Killing Us? | Join the conversation on April 29

The spread of lies, polarizing spin, and twisted science seems to intensify with each passing week contributing to a growing "infodemic". This is particularly so in the area of health, and it is doing tangible harm to public health, trust, mental health, personal relationships, policy development, and democratic institutions. How did we get here, why do people believe misinformation, and what can we do about it in a rapidly evolving information environment?

Learn more at the next Houston Lecture through Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy. [Register now.](#)



Beyond Graduate School | Upcoming Webinars

USask now has access to [Beyond Graduate School's Master's Career Training Platform](#) - a powerful resource designed specifically for master's students.

Through this platform you'll find on-demand career training, a master's level career interview library, job search strategies tailored to master's students.

Self learning topics include:

- [I'm submitting resumes but not hearing back. What should I do?](#)
- [I'm an international student. Do I need to approach my job search differently?](#)

- [Do I really have to network?](#)

Master's students are highly encouraged to [log in via your institutional account](#) and explore the platform.

Online Career Conference | Beyond the Professoriate

From May 4–8, Beyond the Professoriate will host its annual [PhD Career Conference](#), designed to help PhDs **build a strong foundation for a successful nonacademic job search.**

This special event is open to doctoral students, PhDs, and postdocs from all academic disciplines. Each day, we'll explore a key aspect of the nonacademic job search to help you strategically plan your next steps:

- **May 4:** What employers actually value about your degree
- **May 5:** How to write a resume
- **May 6:** How to network when you don't have a network
- **May 7:** Using LinkedIn in your job search
- **May 8:** Advice for international students on the job market

The webinar will be held via Zoom webinar and will be recorded. [Advanced registration is required.](#)

Falling Walls Lab Edmonton | Last chance to apply!

[Falling Walls Lab Edmonton](#) is an opportunity for doctoral students, postdocs, and early-career professionals to pitch innovative research that has the potential for major impact. The winner will represent our region on the world stage at Falling Walls in Berlin.

[Apply for Falling Walls Edmonton Lab](#) by **April 27, 2026**. Contact grad.pd@usask.ca to learn more.

The Falling Walls Edmonton Lab event will take place on May 27, 2026 in Edmonton, Alberta.



Postdoctoral Leadership Certificate | McCall MacBain Postdoctoral Fellows Teaching and Leadership Program

Created for postdoctoral researchers working in Canada, the Postdoc Leadership Certificate allows early career researchers to explore their leadership style, develop an interdisciplinary network, identify gaps in professional development skills and reflect upon individual strengths.

The program will be held from July 13 - 17 at McMaster University in Ontario, with limited online spots available as well. The program will include 30 hours of synchronous (and asynchronous) program time. Please note that accepted postdocs will be reimbursed for travel costs, provided accommodations, and provided food during program activities for the full week.

Apply now. Deadline for applications is **May 28, 2026**. For more information, contact georgk8@mcmaster.ca.

Skills for Health and Research Professionals | Summer 2026 Training

Registration is open for 31 hands-on summer boot camps designed for health and research professionals from any organization and all career stages! Learn immediate take-away skills directly from the experts over one to four days. [Learn more and sign up.](#)

There are three new training topics for Summer 2026: [archival methods for public health resesarch](#), [metallomics](#), and [computational toxicology](#). Training is offered in-person, livestream virtual, or hybrid.

The Postdoc e-Magazine by CAPS/ACPP

The Canadian Association of Postdoctoral Scholars (CAPS) shares a monthly e-magazine for postdocs at Canadian institutions. To access the publication, visit the [CAPS/ACPP website](#).

Society of Postdoctoral Scholars | Visit our website

Visit the Society of Postdoctoral Scholars (SPS) webpage for information about the society, representatives and employment resources. [Click here to visit their website.](#)







Congratulations to all 2026 3MT Finalists!


Congratulations to our 2026 finalists who delivered exceptional presentations, demonstrating the breadth, creativity, and impact of graduate research across the university. [Learn more.](#)


The first place winner, Cassidy Waldrep, will go on to represent USask at the Western Regional 3MT Finals on May 5th at the University of Regina.

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