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## Upcoming Deadlines

Sept. 15: [Governor General's Gold Medal \(Fall\) - Application Deadline](#)

Sept. 22: [Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements \(CGS\) - Application Deadline](#)

Sept. 29: [Canada Graduate Research Scholarship - Doctoral \(CGRS D\) - Application Deadline](#)

## Upcoming Events

Sept. 15 - 19: [Postdoc Appreciation Week](#)

Sept. 16: [Launching an Academic Career | Virtual Webinar](#)

Sept. 17: [Annual Postdoc Reception](#)

Sept. 18: [New Postdoc Onboarding Session](#)

Sept. 25: [Professional Networking \(for Mentees\) | LevelUP PD by CGPS](#)

Sept. 25: [\(Sun\) Setting Intentions | COUSINS](#)

Oct. 2: [Graduate Faculty Council](#)

Oct. 16: [Cultural Adjustments Series for Graduate Students | LevelUP PD by CGPS](#)

Oct. 27: [Graduate Experience Panel | COUSINS](#)

Oct. 28: [Cultural Adjustment Series for Graduate Students | LevelUP PD by CGPS](#)

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## Updates

### Application Fee Increase

In the spring of 2025, the Provost, upon the recommendation of the Fee Review Committee, approved an increase to the graduate program application fee as follows:

- Domestic - \$125
- International - \$145

This increase will be operationally effective **September 17th**, to align with the opening of applications for programs beginning in Fall 2026 and Winter 2027. Any student who pays their application fee on or after September 17th (regardless of when they may have started their application) will be charged the new fee.

All centrally managed webpages that reference the graduate application fee amount will be updated, however, if there is a reference to the old application fee amounts on any of your departmental webpages, please ensure it is updated to reflect these new amounts.

### Curricular Approvals

As we enter a new academic year, this is a reminder that graduate program and course proposals, revisions, and deletions must be submitted to CGPS for consideration through the [CGPS Service Desk](#).

Information about approval pathways, submission deadlines, and guidelines for proposals are available on the [CGPS Knowledge Base](#) (log-in required). Please reach out to [Chelsea Smith](#) if you have any questions.

### Fall 2025 Convocation File Processing

It's that time of year again! As we begin the fall term, just a reminder of CGPS' convocation processing timelines.

- **September 8** - Graduate Program Administrators will get access to convocation screens in Banner and will receive their lists of students from CGPS
- **September 22** - Convocation lists due back to the CGPS by 4:30PM

- **September 24 & 26** - GPSOs will be focusing primarily on convocation checks. In order to make it through this week as quickly and efficiently as possible, GPSOs will not be responding to non-urgent inquiries or support requests that are unrelated to convocation checks on those days. If anything urgent or time-sensitive comes up, please reach out to [marc.usunier@usask.ca](mailto:marc.usunier@usask.ca) or [grad.studies@usask.ca](mailto:grad.studies@usask.ca).

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*This bulletin was delivered to CGPS staff, Graduate Administrators, Graduate Chairs and Graduate Associate Deans.*

