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Upcoming Deadlines

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

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

Upcoming Events

Apr. 16: [USask 3MT Finals](#)

Apr. 21: [Falling Walls Lab Edmonton | Information Session](#)

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

USask 3MT® Finals | Get your free tickets

How can cities better listen to excluded voices? Where do mallard ducks go when they migrate? What happens when cancer cells and nerves talk to each other?

On April 16, twelve graduate students will take the stage to share their thesis research in plain language in only three minutes, as they compete for the title of 2026 Three Minute Thesis (3MT) champion.

Join the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies at the [USask 3MT Finals](#), a showcase of research across campus.

Doors open at 2PM. Attend in-person at the Neatby-Timlin Theatre (ARTS 241) for refreshments and your chance to vote for the People's Choice Award. Admission is free. [Get your tickets now.](#)

Minor Policy Revisions

Revisions to various policies were approved by CGPS Faculty Council in March 2026. The minor revisions aim to ensure policy meets the current and emerging needs of students and reflects current practices.

The following policies were updated:

- 4.2. Progress Reports
- 4.3.1. Time in Program Extensions
- 4.4.5. Transfer from Master's Program to PhD Program
- 8.5. Oral Examination of the Master's Thesis
- 21.1. to 21.4. Course and Program Proposals
- 21.7. Cotutelle Programs

The policy changes will be implemented effective May 1, 2026 and have been updated in the [CGPS Policies and Procedures Manual](#).

June 2026 Convocation Preparations

It's that time of year again! As a reminder, CGPS convocation timelines for spring 2026 convocation are as follows:

March 31 - Deadline for students to apply to graduate

April 7 - College staff gain editing access to Banner convocation screens and GPSO's share the list of students who have applied to graduate with graduate administrators

April 22 - Deadline for graduate administrators to have their convocation checks back to their GPSOs

April 23 - GPSOs processing convocation files

April 28 - GPSOs processing convocation files

May 6 - Convocation list completed

May 7 - Convocation e-vote for CGPS Faculty Council opens

May 11 - Convocation e-vote closes

May 14 - Colleges receive graduate lists to review and confirm accuracy

May 15 by 4PM - Final graduate lists and student award recipient names due to the Convocation Office

How to Integrate Industry Workforce Preparedness Into the Graduate Curriculum | Live Webinar Event

Canadian universities are facing a pivotal moment for our graduate students. Graduate education must continue to advance research and teaching excellence, while also ensuring that students are prepared to thrive across an evolving and highly competitive labour market.

For institutional leaders such as Graduate Deans and Program Directors, the question is no longer whether industry workforce preparedness should be integrated into graduate curricula, but how to do so thoughtfully, strategically, and at scale.

In partnership with the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS) and HigherEd+, this national panel discussion will bring together senior academic leaders and industry engagement specialists to explore how Canadian institutions are embedding workforce readiness into graduate education without compromising scholarly rigor or academic integrity.

Date: April 22, 2026

Time: 11AM - 12PM

[Register now.](#)

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



