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Upcoming Events

July 22: [How to Build and Use Your Own Network to Advance in Your Career | Beyond Graduate School](#)

Aug. 24 - 28: [Academic Job Market Boot Camp | Beyond the Professoriate](#)

Sept. 4: [CGRS D Application Workshop | Graduate Awards & Scholarships](#)

Sept. 9: [CGRS D Application Workshop | Graduate Awards & Scholarships](#)

Sept. 10: [CGRS D Application Workshop | Graduate Awards & Scholarships](#)

Sept. 11: [CGRS D Application Workshop | Graduate Awards & Scholarships](#)

CGPS Graduate Faculty Council

CGPS is seeking four faculty members to fill vacancies on CGPS committees for 2026-2027. CGPS committee membership is considered university-level governance. [Learn more about CGPS governance.](#)

- **Graduate Programs Committee:** One 2-year term to cover sabbatical leaves

- **CGPS Faculty Council:** Three member at large positions (1, 2 and 3-year terms available)

Please email cgps.gov@usask.ca to indicate your interest in joining a CGPS committee.

CGPS Blackout Deadlines for Fall Term Admission Recommendations

International Recommendations - July 17

CGPS maintains application deadlines for international applicants. CGPS will not process recommendations for the admission of international applicants that are received **30 business days or fewer** before the start of the admission term. ([CGPS Policy 1.14. Application Deadlines](#))

Domestic Recommendations - August 12

We are piloting domestic admission deadlines for fall term admissions. CGPS will not process recommendations for the admission of domestic applicants that are received **15 business days or fewer** before the start of the admission term.

Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Doctoral (CGRS-D) workshops

Join CGPS for an informative workshop designed to support applicants preparing for the Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Doctoral (CGRS-D) program.

The CGPS Scholarships and Awards Team will kick off the session with a brief presentation highlighting practical tips and strategies to strengthen your application. Following the presentation, the remainder of the workshop will be dedicated to an open Q&A, giving participants the opportunity to ask questions and receive guidance tailored to their individual circumstances.

USask students, support staff and faculty are welcome.

Session dates:

- Friday, September 4th, 10AM - 11AM
- Wednesday, September 9th, 3PM - 4PM
- Thursday, September 10th, 10AM - 11AM
- Friday, September 11th, 11AM - 12PM

All sessions will be in-person and one hour in length. Limited seats available. [Register for a session.](#)

New PD Fee for Graduate Students | Coming Fall 2026

Starting Fall 2026, the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS) is introducing a new graduate student professional development (PD) fee of \$60 per student, per year. The fee will directly support a robust suite of professional development opportunities and resources designed specifically for graduate students.

For more information about PD offerings for graduate students, visit: cgps.usask.ca/grad-life/student-resources/professional-development

Graduate Administrators and Graduate Chairs are encouraged to share information about the new PD fee with graduate faculty, in case there are questions from students.

As part of CGPS' PD portfolio, there are several resources available to help graduate faculty support student professional development. To learn more about faculty PD resources, contact grad.pd@usask.ca.

Thesis & Dissertation Requirements

On May 28, 2026, CGPS Faculty Council approved revisions to thesis and dissertation requirements. **The new and revised policy will be implemented effective September 1, 2026**, for all students submitting to the ETD site (electronic theses and dissertation archive) on or after that date. Students are encouraged to start following these updated requirements prior to September 1.

The revisions clarify the requirements for:

- Styles, forms, content, formatting, including requirements for preface
- Required elements of the thesis/dissertation
- Research creation thesis/dissertation in fine- and performing- arts
- Language, copyright, permission to use and disclaimers
- Declaration for the use of generative artificial intelligence

The new and revised policies have been updated in the [CGPS Policy and Procedures Manual](#).

Templates and samples for student use are posted on the [Grad Hub](#).

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

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