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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.



Events

July 8: [How to Build a Professional Network in a New Career Field | Beyond Graduate School](#)

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

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

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

Grad Community



Slogotski Hunt Centre for Entrepreneurship | We want to hear from you!

The Slogotski Hunt Centre for Entrepreneurship (SHCE) is a newly established centre at the Edwards School of Business. Their mandate is university-wide: to connect entrepreneurial thinking, skills, and opportunities to students, researchers, and faculty across every school/college.

They are partnering with CGPS to expand the Professional Skills program/suite (of which you might be aware). Building on the existing modules, we're developing a new series - **Entrepreneurship for Researchers** -- that brings each topic to life through an entrepreneurship lens. Each session will include content tied directly to how researchers create, communicate, and move their work into the world, plus insights and Q&A from real entrepreneurs and ecosystem members from across Saskatchewan and beyond. The program runs two topics per semester, is open to all CGPS members across the university, and is delivered as a group experience -- not just self-paced modules.

We need your input before we launch. [Please take two minutes to complete the survey.](#) Your responses will directly shape how this program is designed and delivered.

New Copyright Information for Graduate Supervisors

The USask Copyright Office has published a new [Thesis and dissertation supervision webpage](#) with key copyright information relevant to graduate supervisors. The page includes information about using copyrighted material in a thesis, student rights and responsibilities, copyright permissions and publishing considerations.

Faculty are encouraged to review and share this information, and to contact the [Copyright Office](#) with any questions.

AI Literacy resources expand with a new faculty-focused tutorial

Artificial intelligence is shaping teaching, research and administrative work at USask. Staff and faculty are encouraged to explore [USask's general AI literacy tutorial](#), which introduces foundational concepts. A new faculty-focused tutorial builds on this resource and supports instructors as they consider how AI may or may not be applicable in teaching and

assessment. The tutorial is designed to be completed in stages, allowing modules to be undertaken as time permits, with each module taking no more than 30 minutes.

Access the new faculty tutorial: <https://canvas.usask.ca/enroll/ECLLBA>

Early Bird Registration | PAW 2026

Early bird registration is now open for the People Around the World (PAW) 2026 International Congress at USask!

Take advantage of discounted rates and join researchers, scholars, industry partners, government representatives and community members for this dynamic three-day event at USask Oct. 20-22, 2026.

Students are eligible for discounted registration rates. To access your student discount code, please email international.office@usask.ca with the following information: Name, NSID, Student Number, College and Program, and Supervisor.

Learn more and register [here](#).



LevelUP | Professional Development for Grad Students and Postdocs

Looking to level up your skills as a grad student or postdoc? CGPS has a full suite of PD opportunities to help you prepare for your career – with even more coming soon! From online workshops to self-directed resources, start exploring how you can reach the next level. [Learn more about PD at CGPS.](#)

Questions? Contact grad.pd@usask.ca for more information.

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.

Awards Opportunities



Apply now: New Funding Opportunity on the Changing Nature of Security and Conflict

The [Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada \(SSHRC\)](#), in partnership with [NordForsk](#), is now accepting applications to its [Knowledge Synthesis Grants funding opportunity on “The Changing Nature of Security and Conflict.”](#)

These thematic grants will enable researchers to synthesize existing research knowledge on the topic and identify gaps to advance evidence-based decision-making. This funding opportunity will award up to \$40,000 to successful applicants in the domestic stream and up to \$78,000 for applicants in the international stream.

Information webinar will be held on October 8; the application deadline is **December 3, 2026**. For more information, contact KSG-SSC@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca or [read summaries of past grant recipients](#).

Postdoc Scholars



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.](#)

In the News





USask Governor General Gold Medallist focuses on connection, care and community

The Spring 2026 recipient of the Governor General’s Gold Medal is Dr. Mariana dos Santos Ribeiro (PhD) from the College of Nursing.

She's using storytelling to advocate for more inclusive care for people living with dementia. [Learn more.](#)





Small actions make big impact: Wonsiak awarded Clement Employee Service Award


The College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS) is proud to present the 2025-26 Clement Employee Service Award to Mandy Wonsiak from the College of Engineering.


As a graduate assistant in the College of Engineering’s Graduate Commons, Wonsiak works with students on each step of their academic journey. [Learn more.](#)

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