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

What's coming up?

Deadlines

Aug. 28: [CGPS Fall Term Awards - Application Deadline](#)

Sept. 6: [USask Agriculture Research Day - Call for Poster Abstracts Deadline](#)

Sept. 15: [Continuing International Master's Students Bursary](#)

Sept. 15: [TEDxUniversity of Saskatchewan 2024: Call for speakers and performers](#)

Sept. 20: [Anti-Racism Response Training \(ART\) Registration Deadline](#)

Sept. 29: [Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements](#)

Oct. 10: [Tri-Agency Doctoral National Competition](#)

Nov. 30: [Tri-Agency Master's National Competition](#)

Events

Aug. 16-18: [JumpStart Your Learning - Online](#)

Aug. 21-30: [Fall Fortnight with GMCTL](#)

Aug. 22: [Get Ready for Grad School - Grad HUB Virtual Tour](#)

Sept. 7: [Grad Writing and You: Strategies for Success](#)

Sept. 12: [USask's Revitalizing the Circle: Welcome Back Powwow and Métis Dance Celebration](#)

Sept. 12-14: [TA Success Days](#)

Sept. 18: [7th Symposium on Innovations in Computer Science and Applied Computing](#)

Sept. 20: [USask Agriculture Research Day](#)

Sept. 27: [Anti-Racism Response Training \(ART\) - CAGS Workshop Series](#)

Sept. 30: [Orange Shirt Day](#)

[View all upcoming CGPS events in our calendar.](#)

What's happening?

Continuing International Master's Students Bursary - now accepting applications

The 2023/24 Continuing International Master's Students Bursary provides financial assistance to continuing master's students who began their graduate program prior to May 2023. Bursaries will be awarded to eligible students based on financial need.

The application can be found in the **Scholarships and Bursaries** channel in [PAWS](#). The application deadline is **September 15th, 2023**.

GPS 981 now online and in-person - limited spots available!

Are you an international student new to USask? Registration is now open for [GPS 981: Academic Preparation for International Graduate Students](#).

Students who prefer a more **structured** environment to **ask questions** and **interact with classmates** are encouraged to register for the in-person section (CRN #87945). For

students with **strong time-management skills** who prefer a more **flexible schedule**, the online section (CRN #90596) may be a better option.

Graduate Professional Skills Certificate - register for GPS 984 and GPS 974 now!

The Graduate Professional Skills Certificate is an innovative, non-credit program for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows focusing on strengths-based professional skills development. By taking two tuition-free courses, **GPS 984** and **GPS 974**, you will explore and develop a range of professional graduate skills.

The Graduate Professional Skills Certificate can be completed **in-person or online**, depending on which mode of delivery works best for you and your schedule. Course offerings can be viewed through the [Registration channel](#) in PAWS. To learn more, reach out to career.services@usask.ca.

Take a virtual tour of the Grad Hub: Fall Welcome 2023

The Grad Hub is a virtual onboarding platform designed for new and returning grad students to provide resources, tips, and community. If you're new to grad school or looking for more information, join the [Grad Hub information session](#) on August 22, 2023 to learn more.

NEW: This fall, CGPS is coming to your neighbourhood! CGPS will be popping in to individual unit orientation events to introduce students to the Grad Hub and the various student supports it offers.

2023 Orange Shirt Day t-shirt sales - available now

To help raise awareness and acknowledge the truth behind the Canadian residential school system, orange shirts will once again be made available through Shop USask in advance of Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation taking place on Sept. 30. Orders for orange shirts designed by [Woodland Cree and Norwegian artist Vanessa Hyggen](#) will be available through Shop USask.

To order shirts and learn more about the artwork, group discounts, order deadlines, and where proceeds will be directed, visit <https://shop.usask.ca/orange-shirt-day>.

TA Success Days | September 12 - 14, 2023

This three-day event is a selection of short sessions focused on developing specific skills and knowledge relevant for students in a Teaching Assistant (TA) role at the University of Saskatchewan.

Topics include marking effectively, lesson planning, navigating challenging conversations, and facilitating labs, problem-set tutorials, and seminars. Attendance will be recognized on your co-curricular record when you attend three or more sessions. Registration is required and connection information will be sent to you with confirmation.

See the [TA Success Days](#) webpage for the full schedule including session descriptions and registration links.

Fall Fortnight | A series of sessions to enhance your teaching practice

Beginning on Monday, August 21, the Gwenna Moss Centre for Teaching and Learning presents ***Fall Fortnight***, an annual event filled with exciting sessions around teaching, building assessments, planning your course, and using technology to support your teaching. Join one, several, or every events, these sessions are short and aimed to provide practical strategies to use this fall.

[Registration is now open!](#)

Anti-Racism Response Training (ART) | CAGS Workshop Series for Graduate Students and Postdocs

In recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30th, 2023), CAGS is pleased to offer another round of this important and timely hour workshop designed to build awareness around issues of race and racism in Canadian higher education.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn and practice a wide range of anti-racism responses and to share their own experiences. The workshop will be held over Zoom for a three-hour period on **Wednesday, September 27, 2023**. Tickets are available for \$50.00 (no tax) and all ticket proceeds will go towards covering the cost of the workshop series.

[Learn more and register now.](#)

Welcome Back Powwow and Métis Dance Celebration | September 12, 2023

Join us September 12, 2023 for USask's [Revitalizing the Circle: Welcome Back Powwow and Métis Dance Celebration](#) in the bowl on the USask Saskatoon Campus. Everyone welcome.

External Award Opportunities | Research Profile and Impact

Research Profile and Impact is working to uplift, celebrate, and shine a light on the ground-breaking research, scholarly and artistic work happening at USask. They support researchers interested in applying for prestigious award recognition for a myriad of

reasons, including their ability to serve as a source of pride for the broader community including alumni, donors, and external partners.

As part of this initiative, RPI has launched a website to inform USask researchers and research administrators on award updates, information sessions, and other opportunities. [Visit the External Awards page to learn more.](#)

USask Agriculture Research Day | Call for Poster Abstracts

Agriculture Research Day is taking place on **Wednesday, September 20, 2023**. This event is open to all students, postdoctoral fellows, faculty and staff conducting research in the [Agriculture Signature Areas](#). You are invited to practice research communication, network, enhance your CV, and potentially even win cash prizes!

Interested in displaying a poster? Complete the [poster submission form](#) by September 6th. Questions can be directed to [Danielle Baron](#).

Winter's Coming - Stay warm in the USask tunnels! | September 8, 2023

Stay warm this winter in USask's tunnels - join Andrew for a Grad HUB Meet-Up and learn the in's and out's of the USask tunnel system. Keep an eye on your PAWS Announcements Feed for more information!

TEDxUniversityofSaskatchewan 2024 | Call for speakers and performers

Universities play a vital role in nurturing, empowering, and unleashing the curiosity that will allow us to imagine a brighter, more sustainable future. In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, USask will host a TEDx event.

We are looking for pioneers in discovery who are improving lives, expanding opportunities, strengthening social cohesion and protecting the environment to share their voice and vision. This year's theme is, "Courageous Curiosity". **To apply to speak or perform at this year's event, [fill out this form](#) by September 15.**

More details on the event will be shared soon. You can stay up-to-date by visiting research.usask.ca/tedx. Contact research.communications@usask.ca for more information.

CGSC Symposium on Innovation in Computer Science and Applied Computing

The Computer Science Graduate Council (CGSC) is hosting their **7th Symposium on Innovation in Computer Science and Applied Computing** (also known as Research Fest 2023) on September 18, 2023 from 9:00AM to 5:00PM CST. Sponsored in part by CGPS, this event serves to celebrate graduate student research and bring together graduate

students, faculty members, researchers, and practitioners to discuss and present their research and innovations. For more information, [visit their website](#).

Are you planning a symposium or student-led workshop? CGPS sponsorship opportunities are now open for Winter Term. Contact cgps.eo@usask.ca for more information.

University Library | Your one-stop grad student support system

Library programming launches this fall on September 5th! The University Library offers new and returning grad students resources to support your studies. Visit the [Learning Hub](#) to sign-up for tours, participate in Virtual Write-Ins, book a one-on-one research appointment, and more.

New to grad school? Check out the [Transition to Graduate School workshops](#) for more support!

Do you have news to share with the grad community?

We want to hear it! Contact cgps.comms@usask.ca to learn how you can be featured in next month's newsletter.
