Important graduate studies information for programs and units

CGPS Office Closure – September 22\textsuperscript{nd}

The CGPS Office will be closed the afternoon of Thursday, September 22\textsuperscript{nd} for a staff retreat. We will resume or normal business hours at 8:30am on Friday, September 23\textsuperscript{rd}.

Fall 2023/Winter 2024 Applications

Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 applications for most graduate programs go live Thursday, September 22\textsuperscript{nd} at 8:30am.

Scholarship competition deadlines

\textbf{Vanier scholarship} – Monday, September 26, 2022 at 7:00pm CST

\textbf{CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC Doctoral scholarships} – Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 7:00pm CST

\textbf{Tri-Agency Master’s scholarships} – Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 7:00pm CST

Scholarship application resources

\textbf{Vanier and Tri-Agency Doctoral scholarships}

Tri-Agency Master’s – coming soon!

\textbf{Bursary for Continuing International Master’s Students}
The purpose of this bursary is to provide financial assistance to continuing international master’s students in degree granting programs that started their graduate program before May 1, 2022. Bursaries will be awarded based on financial need.

**Deadline: October 1, 2022**

To access the application students should:

1) Log into the Scholarships and Bursaries channel in PAWS (paws.usask.ca/go/awards)

2) Click on the "Apply for awards"* button

3) Select the **“2022-2023 College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies - International Student Support Bursaries application (Deadline October 1, 2022)”** from the “Graduate Students” drop-down menu; click “Apply”

**Arm’s Length Examiner Approvals**

Please be sure to include approval requests for non-USask arm’s length examiners for master’s defences within the Memo to Schedule a Graduate Defence form within the CGPS Service Desk. There is no need to submit a separate ticket exclusively for approval of the arm’s length examiner. Keeping all the defence-related information within one ticket will help to ensure timely processing of all pieces related to an upcoming defence.

**Maintenance of Status**

**MSTA 001 Requests**

The jira system is able to accommodate MSTA 001 requests. MSTA 001 requests can be submitted through jira by the department/unit, including all relevant information such as student name and student number in the request using the **Request a Class Override Form**.

MSTA 001 = inactive term registration that carries tuition and provides the continuous registration requirement.

Registration for MSTA 001 are completed by Student Central.

Requests for a registration in MSTA 001 will come to Student Central via the department/unit (not CGPS) through a jira request.

MSTA 000 and 002 Requests (approved leaves) are still requested through CGPS.

**Suicide Awareness and Prevention Strategy**
The University of Saskatchewan (USask) has launched a suicide prevention strategy to help students who are experiencing thoughts of suicide, those wanting to support someone experiencing thoughts of suicide, and those impacted by a suicide loss.

The strategy focuses on supporting students in post-secondary education in the province and includes a toolkit and awareness campaign that were developed in a way that other Saskatchewan post-secondary institutions can use and repurpose to fit their needs.

**Lunch & Learn services for new and returning graduate students**

The [Grad Hub](#) has a variety of lunch & learn events scheduled for October and November. Please share the attached poster with your students/colleagues.

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The CGPS Operational Bulletin is sent to Graduate Administrators and Graduate Chairs

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**Attachments:**

[Check out the attached poster here.](#)