

IMPORTANT DATES

March 4 – Registration opens - Spring Summer 2025, Fall 2025, Winter 2026

March 17 – End of grade of W drop period for Winter term

March 19 – Coffee with the Dean 130-230pm (more info to come from Wendy closer to event)

March 20 - 1st day of Spring

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Book an advising appointment:

<https://www.uregina.ca/engineering/students/advising.html>

CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITY

2025 CAGS Summer Leadership Program, 21-23 May 2025, Winnipeg, Manitoba

University of Manitoba, Early Bird Tickets Available

The Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS) is excited to host its second annual Summer Leadership Program for Deans, Associate Deans, and Directors of Graduate Studies. The program will be held in-person from 21-23 May 2025 at the University of Manitoba, in Winnipeg.

The CAGS Summer Leadership Program is designed to provide participants with new opportunities to learn, share, and network with colleagues from across the country. The workshop aims to develop leadership skills and experience in a collegial environment, and to stimulate conversation among a national network of individuals who are passionate about the future of graduate education. The program will feature daily workshops and roundtable conversations on topics such as managing complexity, communication and conflict resolution, boundary setting, self-care, balancing priorities, and other key trends in graduate education. Participants will benefit from a number of formal and informal networking opportunities, including an evening keynote, coffee breaks and shared meals, and a group dinner at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

CAGS invites new and experienced graduate deans, associate and assistant deans, senior administrative staff, graduate program directors, faculty supervisors, and others interested in graduate education to participate in the program. Those serving in acting or interim positions are welcome and encouraged to participate.

The CAGS Summer Leadership Program will be held in a bilingual environment with content presented in both French and English. Tickets will be sold through our online registration portal and will include all program materials as well as meals, coffee, and refreshments. A limited number of spaces are available for this event and tickets will be sold until the capacity of the workshop has been reached.

To learn more about the 2025 CAGS Summer Leadership Program, visit [the program website](#) or write to CAGS Executive Director, [Ian Wereley](#).

CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITY

CSCE Winnipeg Conference, Fairmont Hotel in Winnipeg, Manitoba, May 28-30, 2025

We are pleased to announce that the upcoming Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (CSCE) annual conference will take place in Winnipeg in May 2025. Our conference theme is "Empowering communities through sustainable and resilient engineering solutions". The City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, is well known as "the cultural cradle of Canada", and the home to a very diverse population, the world-class Canadian Museum for Human Rights, the world's most comprehensive Arctic species exhibit, the Forks, the historical Exchange District, the French-flavored St. Boniface and many other attractions. The Fairmont Hotel is in the heart of downtown Winnipeg, in easy walking distance from these attractions. A variety of activities are being planned to entertain conference delegates and their guest family and friends.

The Environmental Specialty (ENV) will focus on the environmental and public health needs of civil engineering and its importance in improving the quality of life for people and providing reliable infrastructure for societal benefits. It will explore research and technological advances concerning innovative approaches, assessment, and sustainable management/remediation of environmental impacts to water, air, and soil and the unique challenges faced in addressing the effects of climate change on infrastructure. Please click here for more information: <https://www.csce2025winnipeg.ca/environmental-specialty>

Registration is now open! The price for students is \$595 (before March 26, 2025), please register today to take advantage of the special rates. Registration includes access to all plenary sessions, technical breakout sessions, conference social events (i.e. President's Welcome Reception, offsite Social Evening, and ACE Gala), coffee breaks, and lunches.

We look forward to seeing you at CSCE Winnipeg 2025! If you have any questions regarding the CSCE Environmental Engineering Specialty conference, please contact Dr. Kelvin Tsun Wai Ng (kelvin.ng@uregina.ca).

GATE CENTRE/GRAD ENGAGEMENT

1) Startup 101 Bootcamp Finale: Watch as students present their startup ideas in a compelling pitch to a panel of industry judges, showcasing their creativity, determination, and entrepreneurial spirit. With \$10,000 in prizes* up for grabs, the stakes are high, and the energy will be electric! Don't miss this chance to witness innovation in action. Register to see what

ideas blow the judges away, and find out who will walk away with the prize money to take their startup to the next level!

More information: <https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/events/2025/03/part-3-startup-101-bootcamp-finale.html>

Wednesday, March 19, Innovation Place (10 Research Drive), 6:30-9:30pm

Free registration here: <https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/events/2025/03/part-3-startup-101-bootcamp-finale.html>

2) 3MT Finale on Mar. 20 from 6-9:30 p.m. at Darke Hall, 2255 College Avenue **1 slide, 3 minutes, 8 finalists.** Judges from the community will determine the top 3 presentations and the audience votes for the People's Choice winner. The 1st Place winner will receive a \$1,500 prize and progresses to the Western Regional Final.

6 p.m. - Reception

7 p.m. - Program & Presentations

8 p.m. - Winners announced

Meet and Greet with the Competitors to follow.

This event is open to the public. For tickets, visit [here](#).

Finalist, Dinusha Ranasingha, is from the Faculty of Engineering.

Thursday, March 20, Darke Hall, College Avenue Campus, 6:00-8:00pm

Free registration here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/3mt-competition-finale-university-of-regina-tickets-1143060587989?aff=oddtcreator>

3) Reverse Career Fair is right around the corner! Qualify by attending at least one Centre for Experiential and Service Learning (CESL) workshop (12:00-1:15pm) to receive a personalized invite!

- **Mar. 5:** Interview Preparation for Graduate Students. [Register here!](#)
- **Mar. 6:** Networking Etiquette for Graduate Students. [Register here!](#)
- **Apr. 2:** Reverse Career Fair! You will receive a personalized invitation to attend!

BONUS! April 15: Dr. Keshen's Regina Chamber of Commerce Executive Event! You will receive a personalized invitation to attend!

More information: <https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/gate/reverse-career-fair.html>

4) Tuesday Talks 515 to 630PM, more info here: <https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/events/2025/03/tuesday-talks-presented-by-gate.html>

5) How to have a Great Relationship with your Supervisor - Friday Mar. 21, 12 p.m. - Join Dr. Garth Huber, 2024 Outstanding Supervisor Award winner, for his insight into "How to Have a Great Relationship with Your Supervisor." Learn about:

- The “secret” to supervisor-relationship success
- The letter of understanding - do you need one?
- Questions and Conversation - discuss what you have encountered with your supervisor

A zoom link will be sent out the day before to those you have registered [here](#).

6) FGSR Award for Outstanding Supervision - Nominate your supervisor for the **FGSR Award for Outstanding Supervision**. This award is to recognize a faculty member who has demonstrated a record of excellent mentorship and supervision of graduate students at the University of Regina. The winner will be nominated for the Canadian Association of Graduate Studies (CAGS) Award for Outstanding Graduate Mentorship. For all the details or to submit your nomination, click [here](#). Deadline for nominations: **Apr. 30**

SAFETY MOMENT

Annual Renewal for Grad Student Access

Attention graduate students! All access cards and fobs must be renewed annually, as they expire on June 15. More details about the renewal process will be provided soon. In the meantime, now is the perfect opportunity to review your safety training and renew any courses that have expired or will expire soon.

Not sure what training you need? Visit the Engineering Safety Orientation on UR Courses and review the Training Requirements document for guidance. The Engineering Safety Orientation must be renewed annually. All other safety courses are valid for three years.

How to Renew Your Training:

- Engineering Safety Orientation, WHMIS (stand-alone), and Robotics: Revisit the course materials on UR Courses and retake the quiz.
- Chemical & Lab Safety, Biosafety, Radiation Safety: Request registration via our [Health and Safety](#) department.
- H2S Awareness: Enroll at [Hydrogen Sulfide Safety Training](#).
- Laser Safety: Enroll at [Laser Safety Awareness Training](#).

Make sure your training certificates are available, as you will need to upload them as part of your access renewal.

If you have any questions, reach out to your supervisor or contact Engg.Safety@uregina.ca.

REGISTRATION WAITLISTS

Is the class full? Get on the waitlist! Waitlists are a first-come-first-served basis. If the class has a lab/seminar you can only be waitlisted for the lecture.

Instructions: <https://www.uregina.ca/registrar/registration/waitlists.html>

If you have a hold that prevents registration, you cannot register for the class, even if you have been notified of a waitlist opening. You will need to resolve holds before you are able to register.

When a seat becomes available, an email is sent to the first student on the waitlist at their Preferred Email Address (usually your University of Regina email). To check or update your preferred email, log into UR Self-Service under "Personal Information." You are encouraged to check your email regularly. You have the option to setup email forwarding if needed. Avoid Hotmail accounts due to potential technical issues.

If the waitlist notification email is sent prior to the first day of classes, you will have **24 hours to register for the class**. On the first day of classes this is changed to **12 hours to register for the class**. If you missed it, you will have to get back on the WL! Your seat will be offered to the next student. So check your email regularly.

GRADUATION PORTRAITS

To have your photo taken, please contact Camera One Graduation Portraits to book an appointment.

Academic regalia is provided by Camera One. To book your appointment please go to www.Cameraone.ca under "Online Grad Signup", OR the direct booking site, <https://cameraonegrad.as.me>. There are In Studio and On Campus options - please check both.

If you are unable to come to Regina for a portrait session but still want to be on the Class Composite, please contact Camera One to discuss your options.

For more information, please contact Camera One: info@c1grad.ca, [306-533-3347](tel:306-533-3347), www.cameraone.ca

WOMEN IN ENGINEERING EVENT

The Faculty of Engineering is inviting you to our Women in Engineering Panel discussion.

The purpose of the event is to build awareness around the impactful role of women in engineering, advocate for equity and the removal of barriers and challenges in the field of engineering and CELEBRATE women in engineering! The format of the event is a question-and-answer panel discussion.

The theme for International Women's Day 2025 (March 8, 2025) is Accelerate Action. Our theme is "Accelerate Action – 30 by 30, an important goal for ALL. The importance of increasing enrollment, graduation, and retention of women in engineering." More on 30 by 30 - [Reflecting on a decade of 30 by 30 and advancing gender equity in engineering | Engineers Canada](#).

Event details

Event: Women in Engineering Panel Discussion

Format: In-person

When: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Time: 4:00 - 5:30pm

*Pre-event networking: 4:00pm *Event officially starts at: 4:30pm

Where: CK 187

*Refreshments will be served. Students can enter our door prize to win a Gift card (Lunch is on us 😊) from Ultimate Catering or a STEMInist sweater from EYES!

GTA/TA POSITIONS

GTA/TA positions for the spring/summer term will be posted on March 10, 2025. Your application must be sent in by the closing deadline of March 21, 2025 to be considered.

Some things to keep in mind:

GTA/TA Positions

If you are planning on applying, please:

1. Make sure that you have submitted your SIN (Social Insurance Number) and banking information to HR. More information can be found [here](#).
2. Ensure that your study permit/work permit are valid. Your permit must indicate you can work.
3. Make sure you are registered in classes according to your immigration status (i.e. MSc/MEng international students must be registered full time in Fall and Winter and at least part-time in Spring/Summer. PhD students must be registered full time each semester). For a GTA you MUST be registered FULL TIME in spring summer.

Having completed all of the above actions will enable us to process your employment offers quickly. Only selected applicants will be contacted. If you are selected, please make sure to contact your instructor immediately to discuss your planned duties.

Please contact engg.grad@uregina.ca regarding any questions about GTA/TA procedures.

EXIT INSPECTIONS

Wrapping up research, finishing classes, or graduating soon? If you had access to labs or student offices, **you must complete an exit inspection and return your keys/cards/fobs.** This is a required step in FGSR's Thesis/Dissertation Submission Checklist and applies to MEng students who used research labs or the MEng lounge.

Why?

This process keeps spaces clean, safe, and secure. It's also required for your \$100 deposit refund. Skipping it can lead to unauthorized access, costly re-keying of locks, delayed office reassignment, and expensive and hazardous cleanup of abandoned chemicals.

How?

1. Download the [Exit Inspection Form](#).
2. **For offices & MEng lounge:**
 - Clean your workspace and remove personal items.
 - Complete pages 1-2 of the form (no supervisor signature needed).
 - Take photos of your desk and inside drawers and cabinets.
 - Email the form and photos to Engg.Grad@uregina.ca for review.
 - We will email you to confirm whether the form and photos are suitable.
 - **AFTER** you receive confirmation, return your key/card/fob to the Engineering General Office.
3. **For labs (including dry labs):**
 - Complete pages 1 and 3-5 of the form **WITH** your supervisor (their signature is required).
 - No photos needed.
 - Email the completed form to Engg.Grad@uregina.ca and wait for confirmation before returning your key/card/fob.

Be patient! Once all steps are complete, we will ask Financial Services to process the refund to your student account.

Questions? Contact Engg.Safety@uregina.ca.

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