

Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey

The 2022 *Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey* (CGPSS) marks the 6th cooperative study undertaken by the *Canadian Association for Graduate Studies* (CAGS) and the 5th study in which the University of Regina has participated. The 2022 survey involved 54 universities and over 63,000 graduate students from across Canada.

The Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey is composed of:

- The *Long Stream Survey* for students responding that their program is “Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor.”
- The *Medium Stream Survey* offered to students enrolled in a program “Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor.”
- The *Short Stream Survey*, in which some questions have been adapted to “Mainly course-based” programs.

The 2022 CGPSS was sent to 2,097 University of Regina graduate students. A total of 860 students responded the survey (41%), of which 82% said they were enrolled in a Master’s program. 44% of the respondents answered the Long Stream Survey.

Personal Demographics	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
Canadian citizens	62%	62%	59%
21 to 40 years old	86%	77%	79%
Female	58%	63%	60%
Self-identified as having a disability	24%	18%	4%
Disability – Mental health issue (e.g. depression, bipolar)	69%	63%	45%
Married / With domestic partner	48%	59%	57%
Have one or two children	21%	45%	27%
Live in off-campus housing not owned by university	88%	86%	97%

Questionnaire version	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor	58%	44%	45%
Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor	2%	2%	3%
Mainly course-based	40%	54%	52%

Program / Degree Level	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
Doctoral	33%	17%	17%
Master’s – With Thesis	26%	28%	31%
Master’s – Without Thesis	41%	54%	52%

Academic Load	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
Full Time	86%	60%	60%
Part Time	14%	40%	40%

Disciplinary area of Degree	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
Engineering	17%	18%	19%
Health Science	12%	8%	7%
Education	9%	18%	16%
Business / Management	9%	9%	10%
Social Sciences	9%	8%	9%
Biological Sciences	7%	3%	4%
Humanities	5%	2%	4%
Physical and Mathematical Sciences	4%	3%	4%
Environmental Science	3%	1%	1%
Public Administration / Public Policy / International Relations	2%	10%	11%
Social Work	2%	3%	3%
Other	21%	17%	12%

Status in current program	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
I am still taking courses	58%	60%	64%
I have completed coursework	21%	26%	20%
I have passed qualifying exams / paper	9%	3%	2%
I have had my thesis / dissertation proposal accepted	10%	6%	9%
I have defended my thesis /dissertation /research paper	2%	5%	5%

Primary reason for enrolling in program	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
To equip me to start a career in academia	21%	15%	17%
To equip me to advance an existing career in academia	11%	15%	15%
To equip me to start a career outside of academia	26%	14%	16%
To equip me to advance an existing career outside of academia	19%	34%	31%
To satisfy my interest in the field, regardless of career prospects	20%	19%	20%
Other	3%	3%	1%

General Satisfaction	CAN 2022	UR 2022	UR 2019
If you were to start your graduate / professional career again, would you select this same university? Definitely	34%	30%	30%
If you were to start your graduate / professional career again, would you select this same field of study? Definitely	51%	52%	53%
Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program? Definitely	45%	42%	42%

The CGPSS survey includes also information in the areas of professional skills development, research experience, graduate supervision, university resources, social life, and financing education. If you have any questions about the University of Regina's participation in this survey, please contact Martin Lopez in the Office of Institutional Research at martin.lopez@uregina.ca (306) 585-4940. For more information regarding CGPSS surveys please visit <https://www.uregina.ca/orp/surveys/cgps.html>.