# 2015-2016 Diploma Program Calendar

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### **Email Address**

The University issued email address is considered an official means of communication with the student and will be used for correspondence from the University. Students are responsible for monitoring their University-issued email account regularly. See Section I --Statement of Students' Academic Responsibilities for more information.

### **Home Address**

Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through the Registrar's office.

## **Name Changes**

The University of Guelph is committed to the integrity of its student records, therefore, each student is required to provide either on application for admission or on personal data forms required for registration, his/her complete, legal name. Any requests to change a name, by means of alteration, deletion, substitution or addition, must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.

## Student Confidentiality and Release of Student Information Policy Excerpt

The University undertakes to protect the privacy of each student and the confidentiality of his or her record. To this end the University shall refuse to disclose personal information to any person other than the individual to whom the information relates where disclosure would constitute an unjustified invasion of the personal privacy of that person or of any other individual. All members of the University community must respect the confidential nature of the student information which they acquire in the course of their work.

 $Complete\ policy\ at\ \underline{http://www.uoguelph.ca/policies}.$ 

## **Learning Outcomes**

On December 5, 2012, the University of Guelph Senate approved five University-wide Learning Outcomes as the basis from which to guide the development of undergraduate degree programs, specializations and courses:

- 1. Critical and Creative Thinking
- 2. Literacy
- 3. Global Understanding
- 4. Communicating
- 5. Professional and Ethical Behaviour

These learning outcomes are also intended to serve as a framework through which our educational expectations are clear to students and the broader public; and to inform the process of outcomes assessment through the quality assurance process (regular reviews) of programs and departments.

An on-line guide to the learning outcomes, links to the associated skills, and detailed rubrics designed to support the development and assessment of additional program and discipline-specific outcomes, are available for reference on the <u>Learning Outcomes website</u>.

## 1. Critical and Creative Thinking

Critical and creative thinking is a concept in which one applies logical principles, after much inquiry and analysis, to solve problems in with a high degree of innovation, divergent thinking and risk taking. Those mastering this outcome show evidence of integrating knowledge and applying this knowledge across disciplinary boundaries. Depth and breadth of understanding of disciplines is essential to this outcome.

In addition, Critical and Creative Thinking includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Inquiry and Analysis; Problem Solving; Creativity; and Depth and Breadth of Understanding.

## 2. Literacy

Literacy is the ability to extract information from a variety of resources, assess the quality and validity of the material, and use it to discover new knowledge. The comfort in using quantitative literacy also exists in this definition, as does using technology effectively and developing visual literacy.

In addition, Literacy includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Information Literacy, Quantitative Literacy, Technological Literacy, and Visual Literacy.

## 3. Global Understanding:

Global understanding encompasses the knowledge of cultural similarities and differences, the context (historical, geographical, political and environmental) from which these arise, and how they are manifest in modern society. Global understanding is exercised as civic engagement, intercultural competence and the ability to understand an academic discipline outside of the domestic context.

In addition, Global Understanding includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Global Understanding, Sense of Historical Development, Civic Knowledge and Engagement, and Intercultural Competence.

## 4. Communicating

Communicating is the ability to interact effectively with a variety of individuals and groups, and convey information successfully in a variety of formats including oral and written communication. Communicating also comprises attentiveness and listening, as well as reading comprehension. It includes the ability to communicate and synthesize information, arguments, and analyses accurately and reliably.

In addition, Communicating includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: Oral Communication, Written Communication, Reading Comprehension, and Integrative Communication.

## 5. Professional and Ethical Behaviour

Professional and ethical behaviour requires the ability to accomplish the tasks at hand with proficient skills in teamwork and leadership, while remembering ethical reasoning behind all decisions. The ability for organizational and time management skills is essential in bringing together all aspects of managing self and others. Academic integrity is central to mastery in this outcome.

In addition, **Professional and Ethical Behaviour** includes, but is not limited to, the following outcomes: **Teamwork, Ethical Reasoning, Leadership, and Personal Organization and Time Management** 

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III. Schedule of Dates

## III. Schedule of Dates

The dates for the 2015-2016 academic year are listed by semester below as follows:

Summer Semester 2015

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## **Summer Semester 2015 (12 Week Format)**

## Monday, April 20

• Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration - 3rd meeting

### Friday, May 1

 Last day for applications for external and internal program transfer to Fall Semester 2015 for all programs except D.V.M.

### Wednesday, May 6

· Add period begins

#### Thursday, May 7

• Classes commence

#### Friday, May 8

- Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--1st meeting
- Last day to submit co-op work performance evaluations for Winter Semester 2015

## Wednesday, May 13

• Last day to submit co-op work semester reports for Winter Semester 2015

## Friday, May 15

- · Add period ends
- Last day to drop two-semester courses (W15/S15)
- · Last day for clearance to graduate for Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Monday, May 18

 Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Thursday, July 30

## Thursday, May 21

· Alfred Campus Convocation

#### Friday, May 22

Kemptville Campus Convocation

#### Monday, June 1

 Course selection period for Fall Semester 2015 begins--In-course students (F'15 new students can continue to add & drop F'15 courses)

## Thursday, June 4

• Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--2nd meeting

#### Friday, June 5

- Course selection period for Fall Semester 2015 ends--In-course students (F'15 new students can continue to add & drop F'15 courses)
- Ridgetown Campus Convocation

#### Monday, June 8

- Summer 2015 Convocation
- Deferred examinations for Winter 2015 courses commence

### Tuesday, June 9

• Summer 2015 Convocation

## Wednesday, June 10

• Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Thursday, June 11

Summer 2015 Convocation

## Friday, June 12

- Summer 2015 Convocation
- Deferred examinations for Winter 2015 courses conclude

## Thursday, June 18

• Last day to apply to graduate at Fall 2015 Convocation without application late

## Wednesday, July 1

• Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Friday, July 31

#### Friday, July 3

- · Fortieth class day--Last day to drop one semester courses
- Last day to apply to graduate at Fall 2015 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)
- Last day for Fall 2015 new student course selection

#### Wednesday, July 29

• Last day for regularly scheduled classes

#### Thursday, July 30

· Classes rescheduled from Monday, May 18, Monday schedule in effect

#### Friday, July 31

- · Classes rescheduled from Wednesday, July 1, Wednesday schedule in effect
- · Classes conclude

### Monday, August 3

· Holiday

#### Thursday, August 6

Examinations commence

#### Saturday, August 8

· Examinations scheduled

#### Friday, August 14

• Examinations conclude

#### Monday, August 17

- · Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--3rd meeting
- Add period for Fall Semester 2015 begins

## **Summer Session 2015 (6 Week Format)**

## Wednesday, May 6

· Add period begins

## Thursday, May 7

• Classes commence

#### Monday, May 11

· Last day to add Summer Session courses

### Monday, May 18

 Holiday--NO COURSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Thursday, June 18

#### Thursday, June 4

• Last day to drop Summer Session courses

## Wednesday, June 17

· Last day for regularly scheduled classes

#### Thursday, June 18

- Classes rescheduled from Monday, May 18, Monday schedule in effect
- Classes conclude

#### Monday, June 22

Summer Session I examinations commence

## Friday, June 26

• Summer Session I Examinations conclude

## Fall Semester 2015

## Monday, August 17

- Add period for Fall Semester 2015 begins
- Last day to submit Request for Academic Consideration -- 3rd meeting

## Monday, September 7

Holiday

### Thursday, September 10

· Classes commence

## Friday, September 11

- Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--1st meeting
- Last day to submit co-op work performance evaluations for Summer Semester 2015

## Wednesday, September 16

• Last day to submit co-op work semester reports for Summer Semester 2015

#### Friday, September 18

- Add period ends
- Last day to drop two-semester courses (S15/F15)
- Last day for clearance to graduate for Fall 2015 Convocation

## Wednesday, October 7

• Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--2nd meeting

## Monday, October 12

 Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED -- classes rescheduled to Friday, December 4

## Tuesday, October 13

 Fall Study Break Day - NO CLASSES SCHEDULED -- classes rescheduled to Thursday, December 3

#### Wednesday, October 14

• Course selection period for Winter Semester 2016 begins--In-course students

#### Saturday, October 17

• Fall 2015 Convocation

#### Monday, October 19

• Deferred examinations for Summer 2015 courses commence

#### Friday, October 23

- Deferred examinations for Summer 2015 courses conclude
- Last day for applications to graduate at Winter 2016 Convocation without application late fee

#### Thursday, November 5

• Course selection period for Winter Semester 2016 ends--In-course students

#### Friday, November 6

- Fortieth class day--Last day to drop one semester courses
- Last day to apply to graduate at Winter 2016 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)

#### Monday, November 16

 Last day for external and internal applications for admission to Winter Semester 2016 for all programs with Winter entry

#### Wednesday, December 2

· Last day for regularly scheduled classes

### Thursday, December 3

• Classes rescheduled from Tuesday, October 13, Tuesday schedule in effect

#### Friday, December 4

- Classes rescheduled from Monday, October 12, Monday schedule in effect
- · Classes conclude
- Last day for applications from in-course students for admission into the Co-op option of B.A. (Psychology), B.Sc., Biochemistry, Biological & Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Chemistry, Toxicology) and B.Sc.(Env.) for Winter Semester 2016

#### Monday, December 7

• Examinations commence

#### Saturday, December 12

Examinations scheduled

#### Monday, December 14

· Add period for Winter Semester 2016 begins

## Friday, December 18

· Examinations conclude

#### Monday, December 21

Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--3rd meeting

## D.V.M. Fall Semester 2015

### Monday, September 7

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED (Phases 1, 2, 3)
- Summer rotations with case-care responsibilities continue (Phase 4)

## Tuesday, September 8

- Classes commence (Phases 1, 2, 3)
- Rotations commence (Phase 4)

### Monday, October 12

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED (Phases 1, 2, 3)
- Rotations with case-care responsibilities continue (Phase 4)

### Tuesday, October 13

- Fall Study Break Day NO CLASSES SCHEDULED (Phases 1, 2, 3)
- Rotations begin or continue as scheduled (Phase 4)

## Friday, December 18

- Classes conclude (Phases 1, 2, 3)
- Rotations continue (Phase 4)

## Winter Semester 2016

## Monday, December 14

• Add period for Winter Semester 2016 begins

## Friday, January 1

• Last day for applications to D.V.M. for Fall 2016 (Canadian applicants)

#### Monday, January 11

Classes commence

## Tuesday, January 12

• Last day to submit co-op work performance evaluations for Fall Semester 2015

## Friday, January 15

- · Add period ends
- Last day to drop two-semester courses (F15/W16)

- Last day to submit co-op work semester reports for Fall Semester 2015
- Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--1st meeting

#### Friday, January 22

• Last day for clearance to graduate at Winter 2016 Convocation

#### Friday, January 29

 Last day to apply for international exchange programs departing in Summer Semester 2016, Fall 2016 or Winter 2017

#### Friday, February 5

• Last day to submit Request for Academic Consideration -- 2nd meeting

#### Monday, February 8

· Deferred examinations for Fall 2015 courses commence

#### Friday, February 12

• Deferred examinations for Fall 2015 conclude

#### Monday, February 15

- Winter Break begins--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED THIS WEEK
- Holiday

#### Tuesday, February 16

• Winter 2016 Convocation

#### Wednesday, February 17

• Winter 2016 Convocation

## Thursday, February 18

• Winter 2016 Convocation

## Friday, February 19

- · Winter Break ends
- Winter 2016 Convocation

## Monday, February 22

• Classes resume

#### Friday, February 26

 Last day for apply to graduate at Summer 2016 Convocation without application late fee

### Monday, March 7

 Course selection period for Summer Semester 2016 and Fall Semester 2016 begins--In-course students

## Friday, March 11

- Fortieth class day--Last day to drop one semester courses
- Last day to apply to gradate at Summer 2016 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)

## Tuesday, March 15

 Last day for external and internal applications for admission to Summer Semester 2016 for all programs with summer entry

## Friday, March 25

• Holiday - NO CLASSES SCHEDULED

### Tuesday, March 29

 Course selection period for Summer Semester 2016 and Fall Semester 2016 ends-In-course students

### Friday, April 8

- · Classes conclude
- Last day for applications from in-course students for admission into the Co-op option of B.A. (Economics & Mathematical Economics), B.A.Sc., B.Comm., B.Comp., B.Eng., B.Sc. (Biological and Medical Physics, Chemical Physics, Food Science, Microbiology, Nanoscience, Physics) for Fall Semester 2016.

## Monday, April 11

• Examinations commence

#### Saturday, April 16

· Examinations scheduled

## Friday, April 22

· Examinations conclude

## Monday, April 25

• Last day to submit Requests for Academic Consideration--3rd meeting