

2008-2009 Graduate Calendar

The information published in this Graduate Calendar outlines the rules, regulations, curricula, programs and fees for the 2008-2009 academic years, including the Summer Semester 2008, the Fall Semester 2008 and the Winter Semester 2009.

For your convenience the Graduate Calendar is available in PDF format.

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Limitations

The University of Guelph reserves the right to change without notice any information contained in this calendar, including any rule or regulation pertaining to the standards for admission to, the requirements for the continuation of study in, and the requirements for the granting of degrees or diplomas in any or all of its programs.

The university will not be liable for any interruption in, or cancellation of, any academic activities as set forth in this calendar and related information where such interruption is caused by fire, strike, lock-out, inability to procure materials or trades, restrictive laws or governmental regulations, actions taken by the faculty, staff or students of the university or by others, civil unrest or disobedience, or any other cause of any kind beyond the reasonable control of the university.

The University of Guelph reaffirms section 1 of the Ontario Human Rights Code, 1981, which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, handicap, age, marital status or family status.

The university encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

Introduction

Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Information

Personal information is collected under the authority of the University of Guelph Act (1964), and in accordance with Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Statutes/English/90f31_e.htm. This information is used by University officials in order to carry out their authorized academic and administrative responsibilities and also to establish a relationship for alumni and development purposes. Certain personal information is disclosed to external agencies, including the Ontario Universities Application Centre, the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, and Statistics Canada, for statistical and planning purposes, and is disclosed to other individuals or organizations in accordance with the Office of Registrarial Services Departmental Policy on the Release of Student Information. For details on the use and disclosure of this information call the Office of Registrarial Services at the University at (519) 824-4120 or see <http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/registrar/index.cfm?index>.

Statistics Canada - Notification of Disclosure

For further information, please see Statistics Canada's web site at <http://www.statcan.ca> and Section XIV Statistics Canada.

Address for University Communication

Depending on the nature and timing of the communication, the University may use one of these addresses to communicate with students. Students are, therefore, responsible for checking all of the following on a regular basis:

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.

Home Address

Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through Graduate Program Services.

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 <http://www.uoguelph.ca/policies>.

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I. Schedule of Dates

Summer Semester 2008

April

Friday, April 25	Last date to submit approved thesis for summer convocation
	Last date for application to graduate for summer convocation

May

Thursday, May 8	Class schedule commences
Monday, May 12	Last day to add Summer Session courses
Friday, May 16	Add period ends
	Last day to drop two-semester courses (W/S)
Monday, May 19	Holiday--no classes scheduled - classes rescheduled to Thursday, July 31 - Summer Session classes not cancelled

June

Monday, June 2	Course selection for Fall 2008 begins--In-course students
Thursday, June 5	Last day to drop Summer Session courses
Monday, June 9	Summer Convocation
Tuesday, June 10	Summer Convocation
Wednesday, June 11	Summer Convocation
Thursday, June 12	Summer Convocation
Wednesday, June 18	Summer Session courses conclude

July

Tuesday, July 1	Holiday--no classes scheduled - classes rescheduled to Friday, August 1
Friday, July 4	40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses
Thursday, July 31	Classes rescheduled from Monday, May 19, Monday schedule in effect

August

Friday, August 1	Classes rescheduled from Tuesday, July 1, Tuesday schedule in effect
	Classes conclude
Monday, August 4	Holiday
Thursday, August 7	Examinations commence
Saturday, August 9	Examinations scheduled
Friday, August 15	Examinations conclude
Wednesday, August 20	Last day for grade reports
Friday, August 29	Last date to submit approved thesis for fall graduation
	Last date for application to graduate for fall graduation

Fall Semester 2008

August

Friday, August 29	Last day to submit approved thesis for fall graduation
	Last day for application to graduate for fall graduation

September

Monday, September 1	Holiday
Thursday, September 4	Class schedule commences
Friday, September 12	Add period ends
	Last day to drop two-semester courses (S/F)

October

Monday, October 6	Course selection for Winter 2009 begins--in-course students
Monday, October 13	Holiday - No classes scheduled
Monday, October 20	Fall Graduation -- Degrees/Diplomas conferred in absentia only

Thursday, October 30	40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses
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November

Thursday, November 27	Classes rescheduled from Monday, October 13
	Classes conclude

December

Monday, December 1	Examinations commence
Friday, December 12	Examinations conclude
Wednesday, December 17	Last day for grade reports
Friday, December 19	Last day to submit approved thesis for Winter convocation
	Last date for application to graduate for Winter convocation

Winter Semester 2009

December

Friday, December 19	Last day to submit approved thesis for Winter convocation
	Last date for application to graduate for Winter convocation

January

Monday, January 5	Class schedule commences
Friday, January 9	Add period ends
	Last day to drop two-semester courses (F/W)

February

Monday, February 16	Winter Break begins--no classes scheduled this week
Tuesday, February 17	Winter Convocation
Wednesday, February 18	Winter Convocation
Thursday, February 19	Winter Convocation
Friday, February 20	Winter Convocation
	Winter Break ends
Monday, February 23	Classes resume

March

Monday, March 2	Course selection period for Summer 2009 and Fall 2009 begins
Friday, March 6	40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses

April

Friday, April 3	Classes conclude
Monday, April 6	Examinations commence
Friday, April 11	Holiday -- No Examinations Scheduled
Saturday, April 11	Holiday -- No Examinations Scheduled
Monday, April 20	Examinations conclude
Monday, April 27	Last date for grade reports
Wednesday, April 29	Last date to submit approved thesis for summer convocation
	Last date for application to graduate for summer convocation

Summer Semester 2009

April

Wednesday, April 29	Last date to submit approved thesis for summer convocation
	Last date for application to graduate for summer convocation

May

Thursday, May 7	Class schedule commences
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Friday, May 15	Add period ends
	Last day to drop two-semester courses (W/S)
	Last day for late applications for summer Convocation
Monday, May 18	Holiday--no classes scheduled - classes rescheduled to Thursday, July 30 - Summer Session classes not cancelled

June

Monday, June 1	Course selection for Fall 2009 begins--In-course students
Thursday, June 4	Last day to drop Summer Session courses
Monday, June 8	Summer Convocation
Tuesday, June 9	Summer Convocation
Wednesday, June 10	Summer Convocation
Thursday, June 11	Summer Convocation
Friday, June 12	Summer Convocation
Wednesday, June 17	Summer Session courses conclude

July

Wednesday, July 1	Holiday--no classes scheduled - classes rescheduled to Friday, July 31
Friday, July 3	40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses
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

August

Monday, August 3	Holiday
Thursday, August 6	Examinations commence
Saturday, August 8	Examinations scheduled
Friday, August 14	Examinations conclude
Wednesday, August 20	Last day for grade reports
Friday, August 28	Last date to submit approved thesis for fall graduation
	Last date for application to graduate for fall graduation