

# 2015-2016 Graduate Calendar

The information published in this Graduate Calendar outlines the rules, regulations, curricula, programs and fees for the 2015-2016 academic years, including the Summer Semester 2015, Fall Semester 2015 and the Winter Semester 2016.

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

## **Introduction**

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### **Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Information**

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### **Address for University Communication**

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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**

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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**

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

### **Name Changes**

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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**

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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 2015

#### Wednesday, April 1

- Add period begins - All graduate students

#### Wednesday, May 6

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Summer 2015 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Thursday, May 7

- Classes commence

#### Monday, May 11

- Last day to add summer session courses

#### Friday, May 15

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

#### Monday, May 18

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Thursday, July 30
- Summer Session classes rescheduled to Thursday, June 18

#### Wednesday, May 27

- 14th class day; no new student registrations permitted after this date

#### Monday, June 1

- Course selection period for Fall Semester 2015 begins -- All graduate students

#### Thursday, June 4

- 20th class day; last day to complete UNIV\*7100 Academic Integrity course
- Last day to drop Summer Session courses

#### Monday, June 8

- Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Tuesday, June 9

- Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Wednesday, June 10

- Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Thursday, June 11

- Summer 2015 Convocation

#### Friday, June 12

- Summer 2015 Convocation
- Course selection period for Fall Semester 2015 ends -- All graduate students

#### Wednesday, June 17

- Last day for regularly scheduled summer session classes

#### Thursday, June 18

- Last day to apply to graduate at Fall 2015 Convocation without late application fee
- Summer Session classes rescheduled from Monday, May 18, Monday schedule in effect
- Summer Session classes conclude

#### Monday, June 22

- Summer Session I examinations commence

#### Friday, June 26

- Summer Session I examinations conclude

#### Tuesday, June 30

- Government Reporting Date

#### 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
- Last day to apply on WebAdvisor to graduate at Fall 2015 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)

#### 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

- Add period for Fall 2015 begins
- 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

#### Wednesday, September 9

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Fall 2015 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Fall 2015 Convocation

### Fall Semester 2015

#### Friday, July 31

- Add period for Fall 2015 begins

#### Monday, September 7

- Holiday

#### Wednesday, September 9

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Fall Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Fall Convocation

#### Thursday, September 10

- Classes commence

#### Friday, September 18

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

#### Wednesday, September 29

- 14th class day; no new student registrations permitted after this date.

#### Wednesday, October 7

- 20th class day; last day to complete UNIV\*7100 Academic Integrity course

#### 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—All graduate students

#### Saturday, October 17

- Fall 2015 Convocation

#### Friday, October 23

- Last day to apply to graduate at Winter 2016 Convocation without late application fee

#### Saturday, November 1

- Government reporting date

#### Thursday, November 5

- Course selection period for Winter Semester 2016 ends—All graduate students

#### Friday, November 6

- 40th class day--Last day to drop one-semester courses
- Last day to apply on WebAdvisor to graduate at Winter 2016 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)

#### Tuesday, December 1

- Add period for Winter 2016 begins -- All graduate students

#### 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

#### Monday, December 7

- Examinations commence

#### Saturday, December 12

- Examinations scheduled

#### Friday, December 18

- Examinations conclude

#### Friday, January 8

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Winter 2016 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Winter 2016 Convocation

## Winter Semester 2016

### Tuesday, December 1

- Add period for Winter 2016 begins - All graduate students

### Friday, January 8

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Winter 2016 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Winter 2016 Convocation

### Monday, January 11

- Classes commence

### Friday, January 15

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

### Friday, January 22

- Last day for clearance to graduate for Winter 2016 Convocation

### Thursday, January 28

- 14th class day; no new student registrations permitted after this date

### Monday, February 1

- Government Reporting Date

### Friday, February 5

- 20th class day; last day to complete UNIV\*7100 Academic Integrity course

### 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 2016 Convocation
- Winter Break ends

### Monday, February 22

- Classes resume

### Friday, February 26

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

### Monday, March 7

- Course selection period for Summer 2016 begins - All graduate students

### Friday, March 11

- 40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses
- Last day to apply to graduate at Summer 2016 Convocation (late fee still in effect)

### Friday, March 25

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED

### Tuesday, March 29

- Course selection period for Summer Semester 2016 ends -- All graduate students

### Friday, April 1

- Add period for Summer 2016 begins - All graduate students

### Friday, April 8

- Classes conclude

### Monday, April 11

- Examinations commence

### Saturday, April 16

- Examinations scheduled

### Friday, April 22

- Examinations conclude

### Wednesday, May 11

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Summer 2016 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Summer 2016 Convocation

## Summer Semester 2016

### Friday, April 1

- Add period begins - All graduate students

### Wednesday, May 11

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Summer 2016 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Summer 2016 Convocation

### Thursday, May 12

- Classes commence

### Monday, May 16

- Last day to add summer session courses

### Friday, May 20

- Add period ends
- Last day to drop two-semester courses (W16/S16)
- Last day for clearance to graduate at Summer 2016 Convocation

### Monday, May 23

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Thursday, August 4
- Summer Session classes rescheduled to Thursday, June 23

### Wednesday, June 1

- 14th class day; no new student registrations permitted after this date

### Monday, June 6

- Course selection period for Fall Semester 2016 begins -- All graduate students

### Thursday, June 9

- 20th class day; last day to complete UNIV\*7100 Academic Integrity course
- Last day to drop Summer Session courses

### Monday, June 13

- Summer 2016 Convocation

### Tuesday, June 14

- Summer 2016 Convocation

### Wednesday, June 15

- Summer 2016 Convocation

### Thursday, June 16

- Summer 2016 Convocation

### Friday, June 17

- Summer 2016 Convocation
- Course selection period for Fall Semester 2016 ends -- All graduate students

### Wednesday, June 22

- Last day for regularly scheduled summer session classes

### Thursday, June 23

- Last day to apply to graduate at Fall 2016 Convocation without late application fee
- Summer Session classes rescheduled from Monday, May 23, Monday schedule in effect
- Summer Session classes conclude

### Monday, June 27

- Summer Session I examinations commence

### Thursday, June 30

- Government Reporting Date

### Friday, July 1

- Holiday--NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Friday, August 5

### Saturday, July 2

- Summer Session I examinations conclude

### Friday, July 8

- 40th class day - Last day to drop one semester courses
- Last day to apply on WebAdvisor to graduate at Fall 2016 Convocation (late application fee still in effect)

### Sunday, July 31

- Add period for Fall 2016 begins

### Monday, August 1

- Holiday-- NO CLASSES SCHEDULED--classes rescheduled to Monday, August 8

### Wednesday, August 3

- Last day for regularly scheduled classes

### Thursday, August 4

- Classes rescheduled from Monday, May 23, Monday schedule in effect

### Friday, August 5

- Classes rescheduled from Friday, July 1, Friday schedule in effect

### Monday, August 8

- Classes rescheduled from Monday, August 1, Monday schedule in effect
- Classes conclude

### Thursday, August 11

- Examinations Commence

### Saturday, August 13

- Examinations Scheduled

**Friday, August 19**

- Examinations Conclude

**Wednesday, September 7**

- Last day to submit approved thesis for Fall 2016 Convocation
- Last day to submit hard copy application (with late fee) for Fall 2016 Convocation