

## Graduate Newsletter (Week of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020)

You are receiving this email in order to keep you up-to-date and informed of important events, information and deadlines pertaining to Graduate Studies in the Faculty of Engineering.

### Upcoming Events

#### :: Professional Development Opportunities for Research Students

[ENGSCI 9703 – Project Management](#) - The Faculty of Engineering has developed an online module to provide Research Students with a basic understanding of Project Management. The self-enrolment deadline through Student Centre has passed. **However, if you wish to enroll in this course, please email [wegraduate@uwo.ca](mailto:wegraduate@uwo.ca) for assistance.**

#### :: Banting PDF competition timelines

Here is the latest news on the Banting PDF competition timelines: <https://banting.fellowships-bourses.gc.ca/en/home-accueil.html>. If you have questions, please contact the Banting Team at [Banting@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:Banting@cihr-irsc.gc.ca).

### Deadlines

Last day to add a summer term course		<b>deadline passed</b>
Last day to drop a summer term course		<b>deadline passed</b>
Tuition Due		<b>June 1, 2020</b>
Last day to withdraw from a summer term course		June 29, 2020
<b>Health and Safety Deadline</b>	<i>New Students Only</i>	June 29, 2020

### Important Information

#### :: Summer Term 2020 Graduate Courses

For the summer term (May 1, 2020 - August 31, 2020), graduate students have the opportunity to enrol in courses outside of their degree program. These course include:

- Missing Data (Biostatistics)
- Multi-Level Modelling (Biostatistics)
- Special Topic: Information in Pandemics and Disasters (Information and Media Studies)
- Project Management (Engineering)
- Writing in Graduate School I and II (Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies)

For full details, please visit <https://grad.uwo.ca/covid19/academics/courses.html>.

If you are interested in taking any of these courses, please consult the Graduate Office in your department. Some of these courses may be taken only as non-credit.

**:: [AGE-WELL Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging \(2020\)](#)**

AGE-WELL Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging provide partial funding to highly qualified master's, doctoral and postdoctoral candidates and provide them with access to training and mentorship opportunities through the AGE-WELL Network of Centres of Excellence. Funding for awards runs from September 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021. their award term.

AGE-WELL has partnered with a number of community, industry, and post-secondary groups to further expand our collective impact and to build capacity among Canada's young researcher. Click here for this year's [Co-funded Awards](#).

For questions about the program, eligibility etc., please contact [training@agewell-nce.ca](mailto:training@agewell-nce.ca).

**:: Summer Term tuition (late fee penalty)**

Considering the situation due to COVID-19, [the Office of the Registrar](#) and SGPS will not be charging late fee penalty on Summer Term tuition payments.

**::Western Libraries – New process for Access to Print Collections**

Need access to print materials? Send an email to [wl-prrt@uwo.ca](mailto:wl-prrt@uwo.ca) listing the items you require. Once we receive your email, our team will search to see if we currently have digital access; if successful, we will send a link to the online item. If we do not have access, we will inquire if a digital copy can be purchased and, if possible, we will purchase the item. If an item cannot be purchased, we would be happy to work with you to see if an alternate item might suffice.

**::Tuition Information**

Graduate student tuition and fees contribute to the cost of direct and indirect services, resources, and supports that assist students in completion of their graduate degree. For more information about what the tuition covers, please visit SGPS COVID-19 website under the section [Funding & Fees](#). For more information about Tuition fee payment, and bursary & financial aid programs, please visit [https://www.registrar.uwo.ca/student\\_finances/index.html](https://www.registrar.uwo.ca/student_finances/index.html)

**::Student Support**

Western is continuing to provide support to students to help them manage their academics and well-being so they can continue to thrive while away from campus in the current situation. For more information about resources and support, please visit <https://studentexperience.uwo.ca/remote/>

**::International Students**

Western International has setup a website listing Frequently Asked Questions related to international students in the context of COVID-19 situation. For details, please visit <https://iesc.uwo.ca/COVID-19-FAQs.html>

**COVID-19 Helpful Links**

Message from Vice-Provost Office: As you know, COVID-19 has affected all of our students in significant ways. It has hit our international student community particularly hard, especially for many who are unable to return home under current circumstances and are feeling isolated.

We are continuing to reach out to international students who remain in Canada, as well as those who may have returned home. In addition, we are welcoming new students beginning in the summer or fall terms.

For your information, we sent the message below about our ongoing services for international students to Department Chairs, Graduate Program Chairs and Graduate Assistants, as well as number of campus partners to ensure international students are well supported, regardless of where they are studying.

Should you have any questions about this communication, or comments about our support services, please feel free to [W.James \(Jim\) Wesse](#), Acting Vice-Provost.

Western University: <https://www.uwo.ca/coronavirus/>

School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: <https://grad.uwo.ca/covid19/index.html>

Western Engineering: <https://www.eng.uwo.ca/Engineering-COVID-19-FAQ.html>

#### **Western Engineering Graduate Office**

Western Engineering is committed to provide best support to graduate students. If you have any question or concern, please contact the Graduate Office in your Department or Faculty Graduate Office ([wegraduate@uwo.ca](mailto:wegraduate@uwo.ca)).

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