Graduate Newsletter (Week of August 31st, 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/Opportunities
:: Tuition Deadline
The tuition deadline is Sept. 8th. However, the Office of the Registrar will not charge late fee until Sept. 30th.

:: Western Libraries Reopening
Western Libraries re-open in September, and will be operating in-library services Monday to Friday, with Weldon Library open for 10 hours a day (8AM-6PM), and the Business, Law, Music and Taylor libraries for up to 7 hours a day. Final details are being confirmed and will be shared on their website.

:: Fall 2020 graduate course enrolment
The enrolment for Fall 2020 graduate courses in now open. Students can electronically enroll in the courses through their Student Centre: http://student.uwo.ca

:: Mental Health Supports – Fall 2020 – Expanded Hours
Starting in Fall 2020, the Student Health & Wellness department will have expanded hours to help us better meet the needs of our students. Appointments will be available Monday – Friday 10am – 7pm. In addition, a walk-on clinic, offered in partnership with CMHA, will be open during the first two weeks of the semester (Sept 8-10 and Sept 14-17) as well as during exams Monday – Thursday 5pm-10pm. The evening walk-in clinic will be located in Room 11, UCC. Outside of those times, students can access telephone crisis counselling through our Good to Talk subscription. Phone: 1-866-925-5454 or Text: GOOD2TALKON to 686868.

:: CIHR 2020 Info Session for Trainees in Health Research
CIHR will be offering a series of MS Teams live events to trainees and institution staff regarding award programs offered by CIHR. It will include an overview about relevant policies, tips for applicants, guidelines on how to submit an application and information on how award competitions have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are interested in participating in one of these live events, please visit the website to register for the event: https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45096.html

:: Online Workshops: New and Returning TAs
Summer-Fall 2020
The Centre for Teaching and Learning is please to provide the new Summer-Fall 2020 Programming Dates for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars. We encourage all graduate students and postdoctoral scholars (new and returning) to attend workshops designed to help them prepare for their teaching assignments. Details here.

:: Grad Mentors Needed
The Academic Success Program (ASP) seeks grad students to facilitate Study Hall for student athletes. Grad mentors would have 3 hours in Study Hall each week and be connected with varsity teams to
before or after practice to see how things are going academically and share info on campus resources. Grad mentors will support our undergraduate learning peers and SAMP mentors that are also part of the ASP team. This volunteer role is on Western’s Co-Curricular Record. Please email melissa.ostrowski@uwo.ca for details.

:: Thrive Online Blog Submissions
Western Student Experience has launched a new website called Thrive Online where students are welcome to share their stories in their own words. You can write about your research, your experience as a graduate student, or something else of interest related to your time at Western. It is important to have the graduate student voice represented. Learn More Here.

**Deadlines**

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**Important Information**

:: International Travel
Any student who needs to travel must complete the online travel request form. The online travel request form is available at: https://uwo.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dcyFVEXeAGYTR9H

:: Fall 2020 Term Graduate Courses
All Fall 2020 term graduate courses in the Faculty of Engineering will be offered online.

**COVID-19 Helpful Links**
Western University: https://www.uwo.ca/coronavirus/
School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: https://grad.uwo.ca/covid19/index.html

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

**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).