

Important Dates

Thursday, May 21

Executive MBA Alumni
Location: Off-campus, TBA

Wednesday, May 27

Deloitte Women's Breakfast
7:15 a.m. at the Queensbury

Thursday, May 28

Progress-2-Capital Awards
6:00 p.m. at Casino Regina

Friday, May 29

Coffee Party
10:00 a.m. in ED-562

Wednesday, June 3

EMBA Convocation Lunch
Conexus Arts Centre
11:30-1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3

Convocation
2:00 p.m. at Conexus Arts Centre

Saturday, June 6

Teaching Workshop for
Sessional Lecturers
(All Faculty members welcome!)

Sat., June 6 - Tues., June 9

ASAC Conference in Niagara Falls

Thursday, June 18

Last Day of Spring Classes

Friday, June 19

Faculty Council Meeting
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. in ED-514

Friday, June 19

Jack Ito's Retirement Party
3:30 – 5:30 p.m. at University Club

Sat., June 20 – Wed., June 24

Spring Semester – Exam Period

Mantle-Blachford Co-op Award



Ms. Ghia Schell, a senior Business Administration Co-op Student, has won the 2009 Mantle-Blachford Award for Co-operative Education.

Ms. Schell is an outstanding student who has made the most of her university experience. Ghia has maintained an extremely high academic average throughout her career, participated in Co-op for 4 work terms, has gone on an exchange to Strathclyde University in Glasgow, Scotland, and volunteers for many worthwhile causes including the SaskTel Pioneers, the Deaf and Blind Walk in Scotland, and the Canadian Breast Cancer Run for the Cure.

The Mantle-Blachford Award was established to recognize outstanding students in the University of Regina Co-operative Education Program. It is named after the two people, Mr. John Mantle and Dr. Cam Blachford, who established the Co-op Program at the University of Regina in 1969, the first in Western Canada.

Applicants are judged based on academic performance, community and extra-curricular involvement, employer recognition for success on work terms, and overall quality of the submission. The Award comes with a \$1,000 cash prize.

Congratulations to two Business Administration students who also received Honourable Mentions:

- Paula Brinton - Business Administration
- Xiyu Xiang - Business Administration

Encouraging Academic Integrity

Handouts on the topic of Academic Misconduct are being placed in the mailboxes of all Spring session instructors in our Faculty, to be distributed to students in your classes this week. We encourage you to use this opportunity to have a class discussion about the importance of academic integrity, and discuss what is meant by plagiarism and cheating.

Last semester we distributed these handouts, and it appears that it may have contributed to a reduction in the number of cases of academic misconduct compared to previous semesters.

Spring/Summer Co-op Work Term

We have 93 undergraduate students on co-op work terms in Spring/Summer 2009 (compared to 98 in Spring/Summer 2008).

Important Dates (cont'd)

Thursday, July 2

First Day of Summer Classes

Tuesday, August 18

Last Day of Summer Classes

Fri., Aug. 21 – Tues., Aug. 25

Summer Semester – Exam Period

Tuesday, September 8

First Day of Fall Classes

Computer Purchase

The U of R Department of Supply Management Services has developed a one page guide to assist faculty members with the purchase of a computer system or laptop using APEA or research funds. This guide provides general information for the individual to consider, including the requirements / configuration of the system, information about support units who will provide assistance in this process, and policy requirements to ensure that your purchase is complying with U of R policies. See the guide at: http://www.uregina.ca/sms/comppu_rch.pdf

WebCT / UR Courses

WebCT will no longer be accessible to users after August 31, 2009. If you have a course that exists in WebCT, you will need to convert it to UR Courses before this date.



Academic Misconduct

In the Winter 2009 term, the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) investigated 3 separate misconduct incidents involving 5 individual students, as follows:

Type of Misconduct	Decision
(1) Unauthorized group work on an assignment	The assignment was not handed in for grading, so there was no finding of academic misconduct
(2) Cheating (unauthorized use of an electronic device) on a quiz	Grade of 0 on the quiz
(3) Unauthorized group work on an assignment	Grade of 0 on the assignment

Note:

- (1) There were no appeals on any of these decisions, and none are anticipated.
- (2) By way of comparison, there were 6 academic misconduct incidents in Fall 2008 involving a total of 10 students.

Spring/Summer Course Registration

Our course registrations for Spring/Summer 2009 have remained steady, compared to Spring/Summer 2008:

Spring/Summer 2009 (200920)

200-level: 11 courses, 406 students registered (average 37 students/course)
 300-level: 14 courses, 458 students registered (average 33 students/course)
 400-level: 7 courses, 210 students registered (average 30 students/course)

Total student registrations: 1,074

Spring/Summer 2008 (200820) - comparison

200-level: 11 courses, 377 students registered (average 34 students/course)
 300-level: 12 courses, 382 students registered (average 32 students/course)
 400-level: 10 courses, 313 students registered (average 31 students/course)

Total student registrations: 1,072

Notes:

- (1) Some of the "shift" from 400-level to 300-level courses in 200920 compared to 200820 was due to the replacement of BUS 405 with BUS 306.
- (2) Of the 32 classes scheduled in 2009, 23 are being taught by full-time faculty (72%).

Women's Leadership Breakfast – May 27

We have booked a table at the 8th Annual Spring Breakfast, organized by the Women's Leadership Initiative of Deloitte.

Date: Wednesday, May 27, 2009

Time: 7:15 a.m.

Place: Evraz Place (Queensbury)

Guest speaker will be Joan McCusker, a world champion curler, Olympic gold medalist, and CBC commentator, talking about how "Attitude is Everything." Please RSVP to **Alyce Garratt**.

Progress-2-Capital Awards – May 28

The Progress-2-Capital Business Planning Competition Awards reception will take place on Thursday, May 28 at the Casino Regina Show Lounge from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Please let **Alyce Garratt** know if you are interested in going to this reception, and we will book you a complimentary ticket.