

Important Dates

Friday, May 8

Faculty & Staff Annual
Planning Away Day
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Monday, May 18

Victoria Day – University Closed

Wednesday, July 1

Canada Day – University Closed

Monday, August 3

Saskatchewan Day –
University Closed

Monday, August 31

First Year Orientation

Monday, September 7

Labour Day – University Closed

Monday, October 12

Thanksgiving – University Closed

Wednesday, October 14

Hill Dinner

Friday, October 16

Fall Convocation

Wednesday, November 11

Remembrance Day –
University Closed

Sat. Nov. 7 – Sat. Nov. 14

Winter Break

Thurs. Dec. 24 – Fri. Jan. 1

Christmas Break –
University Closed

Message from the Dean –

New Building Update

It has been a few months since I provided an update on the status of our efforts for a new business building. Over the last week or two activity surrounding this pursuit has picked up again. I have been in conversations with the President's Office, Facilities Management, and the Ministry of Advanced Education regarding the strong possibility that the Federal government will release stimulus funding for infrastructure projects, in the coming weeks or months. Working with Facilities Management, we are preparing responses to questions from the Ministry of Advanced Education and SaskBuilds and re-visiting the proposals prepared last spring and summer. We want to be as ready as possible, in the event that an announcement is made on funding for infrastructure projects. I will keep you posted as I have updates to provide. If anyone has questions please feel free to reach out.

Final Exam Deferrals

There is very little flexibility regarding rescheduling of final exams. Students are aware of the dates and times of final exams when they register for courses. A small number of final exam deferrals are granted each semester under very specific circumstances related to medical and/or compassionate situations. Final exam deferrals may be granted if a student follows the appropriate procedures and meets specific criteria. If a student has missed a final exam for one of the reasons allowed in the University of Regina 2019-20 Calendar, the student should be instructed to fill out and submit an application for a deferred exam.

NOTE The deadline for making a request to defer a final exam will be extended from within 3 business days to within 10 calendar days of the scheduled exam date. For the Winter 2020 term, the maximum length of the deferral will be extended by 7 calendar days from May 31 to June 7. [This is the form](#) for undergrad classes. [This is the form](#) for grad classes. Faculty members cannot grant students a deferred final exam nor can they allow students to write a final exam early. For Business students, decisions regarding deferred exams will be made by the Associate Dean Undergraduate (**Morina Rennie**), or designate (**Wendy Tebb**). Students from other Faculties who are taking BUS classes should be referred to their home Faculty for final exam deferral decisions.

In the News...

Enactus Regina's SaskMasks project was featured in a *U of R Homepage* story on April 17: <https://bit.ly/3cqks6F>

Gord Pennycook's research was interviewed on:

- *Science Magazine* website on April 16: <https://bit.ly/2VBJPfc>
- *CBC Regina and Saskatoon* radio interviews on April 16
- *CBC* on April 16: <https://bit.ly/2Vhai2z>
- *CBC* on April 15: <https://bit.ly/3erNy7E>

Extension to Grade Submission Deadlines

Given the change in the delivery format of courses, including changes to final assessments, the University will be allowing an additional 7 calendar days for grade submission in addition to the current 5 business days.

Reminder - submit your expense claims!

The University's fiscal year-end is April 30, so please remember to get any expense claims in no later than mid-April (sooner than that is appreciated).

Spring/Summer 2020 TAs & Lab Instructors

Friday, April 24 is the deadline to request a Teaching Assistant for the Spring/Summer 2020 semesters.

If you will require a TA you must send an email to **Raelynn Norbeck** including the following information:

- what course(s) (Hill or Levene) and section(s) require a TA/marker for
- how many hours you think the TA/marker will need throughout the semester for EACH class
- any specific requirements you know ahead of time that you will need from your TA (for example: I need my TA on May XX and June XX to mark assignments, etc...)

If you have a specific student in mind that you would like us to consider for your TA position(s), please state their name in your request AND make sure they apply for a position online <https://urcareers.uregina.ca> (then click on "Student/Sessional Postings" and then find the posting for "Teacher Assistant Positions - FACULTY OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION" – competition # 20200267SS for Hill and # 20200273SS)

We will also be accepting applications for the Lab Instructors for BUS 285 & 385. If you know of any students who you feel would be a great fit for these positions, please encourage them to apply! They will find the posting online at the same website as above (competition # 20200268SS).