

Important Dates

Tuesday, April 21

Dean Search – Open Forum
12 noon – 2 p.m. in ED-514
A sandwich lunch will be served.
Staff, Faculty, & Sessional
Lecturers all welcome!

Thursday, April 23

APT & CUPE Staff Lunch for
Administrative Professionals Week
12 noon at University Club

Friday, April 24

4:00-5:30 p.m. in ED-562
Farewell Party for Greg Wensel

Friday, May 1

YBI Grand Challenge
Opening Ceremony
1:00-1:30 p.m. in ED-193

Friday, May 1

Reception - Meet YBI Counselors
4:30-5:30 p.m. in ED-562

Monday, May 4

Deadline for Dean's Research
Grant Applications

Tuesday, May 5

First day of Spring Classes

Friday, May 15

Faculty Council Meeting
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in ED-514

Friday, May 15

Accounting Group – ICAS Lunch
12:00-1:30 p.m. in ED-562

Wednesday, May 27

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

Dean Search – Open Forum – April 21

All staff and faculty members (including sessional lecturers) are invited to attend an Open Forum on **Tuesday, April 21**, from **12 noon – 1:30 p.m.** in ED-514 to discuss the Dean Search.

Vice-President (Academic) Dr. Gary Boire will lead this session, in order to highlight the search process to date and to discuss ideas about next steps. A sandwich lunch will be served.

Administrative Professionals Day

Wednesday, April 22 is Administrative Professionals Day. Please be sure to take a minute this week and tell our administrative staff members how much you appreciate their hard work!

Farewell to Greg Wensel – April 24

Please join us on Friday, April 24 at 4:00 p.m. in ED-562 as we say farewell to **Greg Wensel**. Greg has been appointed Associate Deputy Minister of Executive Resourcing in Executive Council of the Saskatchewan Government, effective May 1.

Keg-a-Rama Raises Over \$20,000

This year's Keg-a-Rama event was the most successful in its 34 year history, with over \$20,000 raised for the Regina Firefighters' Burn Fund. Congratulations to the UR Business Students' Society for their hard work in organizing this event. A total of 24 colourfully costumed teams participated, including our faculty team who raised \$1,245 toward the total!

Executive MBA Study Tour to Brazil

Rob Giberson is leading a group of 24 Executive MBA students on an International Study Tour to Brazil from April 24 - May 2. The group will spend the first 3 days in Sao Paulo, and the latter part of the tour will be spent in Rio de Janeiro. During the study tour, students will visit a wide variety of businesses, as well as the Consul General of Canada for Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Youth Business Institute (YBI) – May 1&2

This year's Youth Business Institute (YBI), sponsored by the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, will involve over 100 high school students from all over Saskatchewan visiting the Paul J. Hill School of Business to compete in the YBI Grand Challenge. Faculty & staff are invited to the YBI Opening Ceremony on **Friday, May 1** at **1:00 p.m.** in **ED-193**, plus a reception at **4:30 p.m.** in **ED-562** to meet the YBI high school teachers.

Important Dates

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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

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

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

Exams in Undergrad Courses

This is a reminder that it is the usual policy of the Faculty of Business Administration to have an in-class final exam in every undergraduate BUS course.

If there is a pedagogical reason why you feel that a final exam is not appropriate for your course, you may seek permission from the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) to waive this requirement.

Dean's Research Grant Program

The next deadline for the Dean's Research Grant program is **May 4, 2009**. The fund provides up to \$5,000 for research projects that have a member of the Faculty of Business Administration as principal investigator. Applicants may receive a maximum of \$5,000 in a given academic year (May 1-April 30). Grants cannot be used for conference travel or for buying teaching release. Apply by completing the 2-page form at:

http://www.uregina.ca/admin/Faculty_Information/dean_research_grant.html

President's Fund Research Grants

The President's Fund Research Grant awards of up to \$5,000 are provided semi-annually, on a competitive basis, to promote research and scholarly work at the University of Regina. The upcoming deadline for applications is **May 1, 2009**, and forms are available at the U of R Research Services website. First time applicants are encouraged to contact Sarah.Savage@uregina.ca for advice in preparing their application.

Presentations

- **Wally Lockhart** is an invited presenter at a one-day symposium on April 24, focusing on Health Performance Measures and the Health Industry, being organized by York University. He will be presenting his research on "Physicians in the Canadian Healthcare Policy Arena."

Research Grants

- **Lisa Watson** and sessional lecturer **John McKenzie** are part of a research team that has been awarded a SSHRC Strategic Research Grant of **\$248,200** over the next three years in the *Canadian Environmental Issues* category. The research title is "Energy Futures: Managing a Transition to Sustainable Energy in Saskatchewan." The team is led by political science faculty member, Jeremy Rayner, and consists of 8 researchers spanning Political Science, Engineering, Justice Studies, Business Administration, the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, and industry. **John McKenzie** will participate in the role of industry collaborator through his work at SaskPower.
- **Anne Lavack** is a part of a team of 27 researchers who have been awarded **\$2.1 million** from CIHR (Canadian Institutes of Health Research) for a 6-year research training initiative entitled, "Pan-Canadian Strategic Training in Population Intervention Research for Chronic Disease Prevention." The team is led by Roy Cameron from the Centre for Behavioural Research and Program Evaluation (CBRPE) at the University of Waterloo.

Research Grant Adjudication

- **Jean-Marie Nkongolo-Bakenda** has been invited by the Quebec Ministry of Education to be a member of a grant adjudication committee for the Fond Québécois Société et Culture. He will participate in the committee by teleconference and at an in-person meeting in Montreal to evaluate university research grants in business administration.