Welcome to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, your “Home Away From Home”

On behalf of myself and Associate Deans Dr. Michael Czubryt, Dr. Kelley Main and Dr. Xikui Wang, I would like to welcome you to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, commonly known as FGS.

At FGS, we provide oversight for 49 doctoral and 95 master’s graduate programs at the University of Manitoba. As a research-intensive University, our outstanding graduate students strive to achieve national and international recognition. FGS takes pride in ensuring the excellence of our graduate programs and we seek to promote an educational environment that breeds success. Thus, we see FGS as our graduate students’ home away from home.

FGS is located at 500 University Centre where our Front Desk team will be happy to answer your initial enquiries and guide you to appropriate resources. Our Admissions team processes all applications online. Graduate program requirements are detailed in your Graduate Studies Supplemental Regulations and serve as a guide as you advance through your program. Our team of FGS Program Assistants track your progress and assist you in any changes that might affect the timely completion of your degree requirements. To promote success, keep a lookout for FGS Upcoming “Awards and Other Opportunities” emailed to you on a regular bases. Our team of Awards Assistants are available to answer your questions and to process your applications and awards.

We hope you have a great graduate student experience and wish you all the best in achieving your goals!

Dr. Louise Simard
Acting Dean (Faculty of Graduate Studies)
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View the Student Guide produced just for you!

[umanitoba.ca/student/guide/](http://umanitoba.ca/student/guide/)
WELCOME

The University of Manitoba is committed to graduate student success. The Faculty of Graduate Studies and other units on campus provide a number of resources and services to help you succeed. This handbook will provide you with the necessary information to help you better understand and access those services and resources.

HELPFUL CONTACT INFORMATION

GENERAL OFFICE LOCATION

The Faculty of Graduate Studies is located at the Fort Garry Campus in University Centre. The main administrative office for the Faculty and its mailing address is:

Faculty of Graduate Studies  
University of Manitoba  
500 University Centre  
Winnipeg, MB R3T 2N2

A map of both the Fort Garry and Bannatyne campuses can be found at: umanitoba.ca/map

Visit our website for more information about the Faculty of Graduate Studies!

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Please access the Graduate Studies Staff Directory to learn more about the Faculty of Graduate Studies administrative staff and their contact information.

CONNECT

GRADUATE STUDENT WEEKLY

Check out the latest news, events and important dates delivered weekly to your @mymanitoba email address.
Website: Student Weekly Sign-up

GET THE U OF M APP

For quick access to news, your grades and schedules, interactive campus maps, real time bus departures and more download the U of M mobile app:
Website: Download the App!

By participating in university approved activities (such as the GradSteps workshops) you’ll gain recognition on your CCR, the official university document that recognizes your co-curricular involvement. For more information, visit our website: CCR Website
GRADUATE STUDENT CHECKLIST //

☐ CHECK OUTSTANDING CONDITIONS
Check your offer of admissions letter - ensure that you do not have any outstanding conditions. Birth certificates or passports can be sent by email to graduate.admissions@umanitoba.ca.

☐ ACTIVATE ACCOUNTS
Activate your @myumanitoba.ca email account and claim your UMNetID; please see the Information Services and Technology section of this handbook.

☐ UPDATE PERSONAL INFORMATION
If you need to update your mailing address, telephone number, or any other personal information, please login to Aurora Student to make these changes. Website: aurora.manitoba.ca

☐ REGISTER
Course registration information can be obtained by contacting your department/unit office directly.

☐ UMCOMMUNITY LINK
This interactive and user-friendly web portal provides tools and resources to all student groups, manages the Co-Curricular Record, and connects students to upcoming events and opportunities.

☐ GRADS STEPS WORKSHOPS: SIGN UP!
These not-for-credit workshops are designed to help graduate students navigate their programs and prepare them to transfer their skills and knowledge into the workplace; whether that be in a traditional academic setting, or in for-profit or not-for-profit organizations. View online schedule and registration here.

☐ GRAD 7500
All graduate students must register for and complete GRAD 7500 Academic Integrity Tutorial. This is a zero credit-hour course intended to introduce students to their basic responsibilities regarding academic integrity and to the resources available to them. Website: Grad 7500 FAQs

DID YOU KNOW?
Graduate students can claim their GradSteps workshop attendance on their Co-Curricular Record (CCR)!

GradSteps: Register here!
REGISTRATION //

STUDENT PHOTO ID CARD
This is a multi-use card that provides access to library services, gym memberships, graduate student lounges, printers and photocopiers on campus. For more information on new or replacement cards, visit:
- Fort Garry: Registrar's Office, 400 University Centre
- Bannatyne: Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library, Brodie Centre
- Website: Registrar's Office

REGISTER FOR COURSES USING AURORA STUDENT
Aurora is the University of Manitoba’s online registration and student information system. All students are encouraged to become familiar with Aurora.

PAYING TUITION FEES
For deadline, payment options, and other FAQs visit: Student Accounts
Online payment: Add “University of Manitoba” as a payee with your financial institution and include your student number.

U of M Payment Options
To pay in person, visit a Cashier’s Office on campus:
- Fort Garry: 138 University Centre,
  Phone: 204-474-8222, 204-474-8716
- Bannatyne Cashier’s Office: P001 Pathology Building,
  Phone: 204-789-3349
- Email: student_fees@umanitoba.ca
- Please note: The Cashier’s Office will only accept cash, debit, cheque, bank draft or money orders. Credit card payments are not accepted.

PROGRESS REPORT (FOR STUDENTS RE-REGISTERING)
- Submit your Progress Report to your department/unit and the Faculty of Graduate Studies by June 1st.
- The department/unit should retain a copy of the completed Progress Report, as well as provide you with a copy.
- Failure to submit this report will result in the denial of course registration through Aurora.

REGISTER WITH STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES
Student Accessibility Services provides support and advocacy for students with disabilities. SAS acts as a liaison between students, faculty, staff and service agencies.

Main Office | 520 University Centre
Phone: 204-474-7423
Email: student_accessibility@umanitoba.ca
Website: Accessibility Services

SAS Exam Centre | 155 University Centre
Phone: 204-474-6213
Email: sasexams@umanitoba.ca

COMPLETING THE ADVISOR STUDENT GUIDELINES
Complete the Advisor Student Guidelines, available through JUMP. The Advisor Student Guidelines are a framework for discussion between advisors and graduate students registered in a thesis or practicum program.

The agreement may be revisited at any stage of the student’s graduate program to accommodate for changes in the advisor-student relationship.

Online Instructions: Advisor Student Guidelines

REGISTER FOR CAMPUS DAYCARE (IF NEEDED)
- Office: 15 Dysart Road, Phone: 204-269-7773
- Email: cdccinc@mts.net
- Website: Daycare
INFORMATION SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY //

Be sure to activate all your U of M accounts.

AURORA STUDENT

Aurora Student is the U of M’s online registration system; it is also the system used to track your academic and administrative records. You will use Aurora Student to look up available classes, register for classes, view fee assessments, course textbooks and class schedules, print tax forms, and update your contact information.

- Aurora Student: aurora.umanitoba.ca
- First time students - Follow the steps on the login page to enter the secure area.
- Locate when you can begin registering for courses in the Aurora “Registration Time and Status” section.
- Online Registration Tutorials are available here.

SIGNUM (TO CLAIM YOUR UMNETID)

- Use SignUM to claim your UMNetID and synchronize passwords among accounts.
- To learn more, instructions are online here.

U OF M EMAIL ACCOUNT

- All U of M communications will be through your @myumanitoba.ca account; therefore it is essential that you monitor this email account on a regular basis.
- Activate your new email using signUM the day after you register for courses.
- Step-by-step instructions are available online here.

JUMP PORTAL

JUMP is the University of Manitoba’s portal for students, faculty and staff. JUMP provides access to email, course links to UM Learn, campus news and announcements and single sign-on access to many U of M services. JUMP can also be used for PhD thesis distributions.

- JUMP: manitoba.ca/jump
- Log in using your UMNetID and password developed in Iridium.

UM LEARN

UM Learn is the University of Manitoba’s Learning Management System. Among its other features, UM Learn is used to take the required Grad 7500 Academic Integrity Course.

For more information, visit this guide to getting started: Grad 7500

FREE OFFICE 365 FOR STUDENTS

- Students get the full MS Office suite and 1 TB of cloud storage free with a valid UMNetID
- Website: Office 365

CONNECTING TO CAMPUS WIFI

- At the U of M you may connect to the internet via the wireless network, wired network or in open-area computer labs using your UMnetID and password.
- For more information on connecting to the internet visit: Accessing Wireless Network

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information about your email, general computing, password resets, supported software, wired and wireless network and more, contact the IST Help & Solutions Centre:

- Fort Garry Office: 123 Fletcher Argue, Phone: 204-474-8600
- Bannatyne Office: 231A Neil John Maclean Library Phone: 204-789-3541
- Email: support@umanitoba.ca or help_desk@umanitoba.ca
- Website: IST Service Desk
- Live chat website: Live Chat

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

As a student, you have access to audio, visual and production services through IST’s classroom services. Website: Classroom Services
FINANCIAL SUPPORT //

TEACHING/RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS
For more information on teaching and research assistantships or grader/marker positions available to graduate students, please review official notices available at:

- Human Resources Office: 317 Administration Building, Website: Human Resources

FUNDING AND AWARDS
Review the Graduate Studies Awards Database and Graduate Studies website for more information on internal awards, external awards, or needs-based funding:

- Office: 500 University Centre
- Phone: 204-474-9377
- Email: graduate.awards@umanitoba.ca

ACADEMIC TRAVEL/CONFERENCE GRANTS
Funds are available to assist graduate students with costs associated with travel for presentations of papers, posters, or other creative work pertinent to their studies.

- FGS Travel Award: Online Application Form

UMGSA CONFERENCE GRANTS
UMGSA Services: Conference Grant Application Form
Tip: Don’t forget to check with your department to find out about department-funded travel.

EMERGENCY LOANS
The Graduate Studies Emergency Fund is available to assist full-time graduate students with immediate educational and living costs. It is not applicable to tuition fees.

- FGS Hardship Fund: Online Application Form

Through the UMGSA Hardship Fund, the University of Manitoba Graduate Students’ Association offers limited financial support to students who are not eligible for FGS emergency loans.

For more information contact the UMGSA, Vice-President Academic
Office: 221 University Centre
Phone: 204-474-9181
Email: vpa@umgsa.org

Tip: Don’t forget to check with your department to see if they have emergency loans available.

U OF M FOOD BANK
The University of Manitoba Food Bank seeks to reduce hunger on campus by providing food donations to full-time students who cannot afford safe, healthy, acceptable food.

- Office: 518 University Centre
- Phone: 204-474-9850
- Email: foodbank@cc.umanitoba.ca

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TRANSPORTATION //

PARKING PASS
Reserving and purchasing parking passes can be done through JUMP. Remember to register early!

Fort Garry Campus
• Parking Office: 423 University Crescent
• Phone: 204-474-9483
• Email: parking_services@umanitoba.ca
• Website: umanitoba.ca/parking
• Parking Map: Fort Garry

Bannatyne Campus
• Parking Office: S105 Medical Services Building
• Phone: 204-789-3330
• Email: parking_services@umanitoba.ca
• Website: umanitoba.ca/parking
• Parking Map: Bannatyne

U-PASS
The U-Pass is a universal transit pass which provides unlimited access to public transit services in exchange for a mandatory fee.
• Email: u-pass@umsu.ca
• Website: U-PASS Online

U OF M SHUTTLE BUS
This free shuttle service loops around the Fort Garry Campus, including Smartpark.
• Website: Shuttle Bus - Fort Garry

BIKE LOCKERS
The Office of Sustainability has installed new bike lockers. Individual lockers are available for a rental fee by term.

Fort Garry Campus
Located on the ground level of the University Parkade, the Bike Station is a covered and enclosed parking facility for 100 bikes that is secured with a card-lock system.
• Phone: 204-474-9483
• Email: parking_services@umanitoba.ca
• Website: Bike Station

Bannatyne Campus
Open bike parking is available in front of Brodie Center off McDermot Avenue. There is a Caged Bike Station available beside the Dentistry Building, of off Bannatyne Avenue - key card access is required. There is also a locked/heated bike room in the Emily Street Parkade.

Caged Bike Station
• Phone: 204-789-3649

Emily Street Parkade
• Phone: 204-787-2715

RED FROGS HYDRATION STATIONS
If you attend a university party visit the Red Frogs team at their Hydration Station for free water, donuts, popcorn and a conversation. They are safe people at events whose mission is to provide a positive peer presence in alcohol-fuelled environments. For more information or to book Red Frogs contact Tammy Junghans at umanitoba@redfrogs.com or visit ca.redfrogs.com.

SAFE WALK PROGRAM
Security Services is always available to accompany an individual from one U of M location to another, or to their vehicle/bus stop on university property on both campuses. Students, staff and visitors of the university community can request a Safewalk 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
• Office: 423 University Crescent, Welcome Centre
• Phone: 204-474-9312 (Fort Garry & Bannatyne)
• Email: emergency_response@umanitoba.ca

EMERGENCY?
• Dial 555 from university phones
• #555 from MTS or Rogers Wireless
• 204-474-9341 from all other phones
• Emergency Red Phones throughout university buildings
• Code Blue Stations across campus

Emergency Phone Numbers
GRADUATE STUDENT RESOURCES //

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

• Academic Calendar: umanitoba.ca/calendar

UMSU DIGITAL COPY CENTRE

Fort Garry Campus

• Office: 118 University Centre
• Phone: 204-474-6533
• Email: umsuc@umanitoba.ca
• Website: umsudigitalcopycentre.com

DUPLICATING CENTRE

Bannatyne Campus

• Office: 154 Basic Medical Sciences Building
• Phone: 204-474-9881
• Website: umanitoba.ca/libraries

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Copyright issues have become increasingly complex and are evolving rapidly. There have been, and will likely continue to be, changes in the law, technology, and practice which impact the university as a major creator and user of copyrighted material. The Copyright Office was established to ensure that faculty, staff and students have the support they require to be successful in their teaching, research and studies.

ACADEMIC LEARNING CENTRE

The Academic Learning Centre can help with study skills, writing support (i.e., organizing research projects, citing sources, preparing thesis proposals, producing and delivering presentations), or online tutoring for graduate students.

• Fort Garry: 201 Tier Building, Phone: 204-480-1481
• Bannatyne: 245 T-wing, Phone: 204-272-3190
• Email: academic_learning@umanitoba.ca

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTRE

If you want to improve your English proficiency visit the English Language Centre.

• Office: 520 University Centre, Phone: 204-474-9251
• Email: elc@umanitoba.ca

GRADSTEPS WORKSHOPS

Make the most of your graduate education by attending GradSteps, a graduate student workshop series that offers sessions ranging from library essentials, grant writing, to stress management and more. These not-for-credit workshops are designed to help you navigate your graduate program and transfer your skills and knowledge into the workplace – whether that be in a traditional academic setting, or in for-profit or not-for-profit organizations. Attend at least six graduate workshops and you can claim your workshop attendance on your Co-Curricular Record.

Sample topics include:

• How to Write a Literature Review
• Thesis Structure and Organization
• Public Speaking
• Resume or CV?
• How to Market Your Skills

ETHICS APPROVAL

You may need approval from the U of M Research Ethics Board (REB) prior to proceeding with the information gathering procedures for your thesis or practicum.

iTHENTICATE

This plagiarism detection software has been designed for researchers to ensure the originality of written work before publication. Website
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES //

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES ONLINE ACADEMIC GUIDE

The Graduate Studies Academic Guide provides information about your graduate program, leaves of absence, appeals, policies related to application, admission and registration, and more:

• Website: Academic Guide

THESIS TOOLKIT

The Thesis Toolkit provides a gateway to information and learning resources for graduate students. It provides further information on academic integrity, intellectual property counseling services and more.

• Website: Thesis Toolkit

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA GRADUATE STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATION (UMGSA)

UMGSA is the official voice of graduate students. Their mission focuses on graduate student advocacy, student involvement, providing services and benefits, financial assistance, and support to students.

Fort Garry Campus
• Office: 221 University Centre
• Student Lounge: 117 University Centre
• Phone: 204-474-9181
• Email: gsa@umgsa.org or pres@umgsa.org
• Website: umgsa.org

CAREER SERVICES

Career Services has resources related to resume and cover letters, career decision-making, research occupations, career mentor program, internship programs and more.

• Office: 474 University Centre
• Phone: 204-474-9456
• Email: cs.receptionist@umanitoba.ca

HEALTH SCIENCES GRADUATE STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATION (HSGSA)

HSGSA is a group within the UMGSA with the primary directive of representing the interest of health sciences graduate students on the Bannatyne and St. Boniface campuses.

Bannatyne Campus
• Office: 114 Brodie Centre
• Student Lounge: 402 Brodie Centre
• Phone: 204-480-1313
• Email: president@hsgsa.ca
• Website: hsgsa.org

CENTRE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHING AND LEARNING (CATL)

CATL provides leadership expertise and support to graduate students who have teaching positions, such as teaching assistants or sessional instructors. For more information on graduate courses or other services please visit:

• Office: 65 Dafoe Road (the former Music Building)
• Phone: 204-474-8708
• Website: CATL
HEALTH AND WELLNESS //

HEALTH, DENTAL AND TRAVEL INSURANCE

All full-time graduate students are automatically members of the UMSU Health and Dental Plan, and are assessed the fee on their Aurora tuition fee statements in the fall term. You have the option to opt-out of this plan with alternate coverage. For more information about the plan please contact:

- Office: **110 University Centre**
- Phone: **1-855-535-3282 or 204-474-6666**
- Email: [healthplan@umsu.ca](mailto:healthplan@umsu.ca)
- Review your benefits: [ihaveaplanch.ca](http://ihaveaplanch.ca)
- Website: [Graduate Student Plans](http://Graduate Student Plans)

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES

Learn about appointments with physicians, consultants, immunizations and other health services by contacting University Health Services at:

- Office: **104 University Centre**
- Phone: **204-474-8411**
- Website: [Health Services](http://Health Services)

RECREATION SERVICES

Activate your **U of M Recreation Services** Student Membership to gain access to over 1 million square feet of buildings and spaces dedicated to fitness, recreational and leisure pursuits. You will also get access to all regular University of Manitoba Bison home games.

Activate your membership at one of the following locations:

**Fort Garry Campus**
- Active Living Centre, Room 154
- Max Bell Centre

**Bannatyne Campus**
- Joe Doupe Centre
- Brodie Centre, Room 030

OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

The U of M is committed to maintaining a work and learning environment that is inclusive, respectful and free from human rights discrimination or harassment, sexual harassment and personal harassment.

- Office: **201 Allen Building**
- Phone: **204-474-6348**
- Website: [Office of Human Rights](http://Office of Human Rights)

STUDENT COUNSELING CENTRE

University can be an exciting place and provides opportunities for growth and development, but you may also be confronted with stress and challenges along the way. Student Counseling Services offers confidential services to help students deal with worry, anxiety, depression, and relationship problems with family, friends or partners and career. For more information contact:

**Fort Garry Campus**
- Office: **474 University Centre**
- Phone: **204-474-8592**

**Bannatyne Campus**
- Office: **S207 Medical Services Building**
- Phone: **204-789-3857**

CHAPLAINS’ ASSOCIATION

The Chaplains’ Association offers support to all students regardless of their religion.

- Office: **102 University Centre**
- Phone: **204-474-8721**
- Email: [ken_stupak@umanitoba.ca](mailto:ken_stupak@umanitoba.ca)
GET INVOLVED //

PEERS: STUDENTS HELPING STUDENTS

The New Student Peer Mentorship Program (NSPMP) is designed for new students (Mentees) to be matched with an upper-year student (Mentor) to learn more about the University of Manitoba, their faculty, and help navigate their first year as a new graduate student.

- Office: 225 University Centre
- Email: peermentor@umanitoba.ca
- Website: New Student Peer Mentorship Program

STUDENT LIFE

Student Life provides leadership opportunities through volunteer programs or their Student Leadership Development Program. They offer opportunities to get involved at the U of M, within the community and internationally.

Student Life is also responsible for the Co-Curricular Record, which is the official document that recognized your involvement in approved programs.

- Office: 225 University Centre
- Phone: 204-474-9093
- Email: student_life@umanitoba.ca
- Website: Student Life or UMCommunityLink

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA GRADUATE STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATION (UMGSA) OR HEALTH SCIENCES GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (HSGSA)

Get involved with student governance through your student association.

UMGSA
- Office: 221 University Centre
- Phone: 204-474-9198
- Email: pres@umgsa.org
- Website: umgsa.org

HSGSA
- Office: 114 Brodie Centre
- Phone: 204-480-1313
- Email: president@hsgsa.org
- Website: hsgsa.org

DID YOU KNOW?

The Fort Garry Campus has a series of tunnels connecting you to various buildings throughout the campus community. Perfect for a cold winter day!

Fort Garry Tunnels: Map
Faculty of Graduate Studies
500 University Centre
Winnipeg, Manitoba
Canada R3T 2N2

website: umanitoba.ca/graduate_studies
email: graduate.studies@umanitoba.ca
phone: 204-474-9377