21 June 2019

Staff/Student News and Announcements

Guess what’s back? – on the first day of summer! ...

Soil Science BBQ
Friday June 21st @ 12:00 pm

Location: Picnic tables between Ellis and Animal Science
(If it rains, we will be in the shed 😊)
All are welcome

***Annual Soil Science Shed Cleanup – Part 2
Thank you all for turning up in large numbers for Part 1 of the cleanup on Wednesday. But we are not done yet... one more day:

**Wed, June 26th all day** – Please *sign up in the general office*. This new cleanup will focus only on stored samples and other “stuff” that’s being stored on the shelving throughout the cold and heated parts of the shed. Mario Tenuta and Trevor Fraser will be coordinating this special cleanup exercise, which will include reorganizing stored samples, etc. and recording their status in an inventory system.
We encourage all research groups to do as much cleaning, discarding, consolidating or reduction of samples, etc. before Wednesday ... it’s a lot easier for each research group to work that way, with fewer distractions and it also makes it easier for the whole department’s effort if some cleaning and organizing is completed in advance.

Please *mark this date on your calendars and prepare to help out.*

**Reminders to all (thanks Mario):**
- Please use low form Rubbermaid’s except for bulk liquids that can be in sealed pails. Larger Rubbermaid’s are too heavy and bulky to shelve safely so they end up on the floor blocking the walk-ins
- Label Rubbermaid's on narrow sides so labels are visible when on shelf
- Avoid storage in coolers, these don’t stack and don’t shelve well and end up on the floor blocking access
- Some lab groups have marked Rubbermaid's (e.g., yellow paint is Soil Ecology, others like the Flaten lab have Flaten stencilled); please respect that those are for that lab’s use even if empty because they soon will be needed.

**Congratulations!**
- **Brian Amiro** is this year’s recipient of the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences (FAFS) **Excellence in Teaching Award.** The *Award* was established by FAFS to recognize exceptional contributions to the teaching mandate of the Faculty. Brian received this second annual award during the FAFS Council meeting on Thursday, 20 June. Congratulations Brian for this important honour!

- **Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame inductee for 2019**
  Soil Science alumnus (and current adjunct and research associate) **Cindy Grant** was among the six exceptional Canadians (including FAFS and Entomology alumnus JoAnne Buth) who were recently selected to join the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame as 2019 inductees in recognition for their contributions to the agricultural sector (*visit this site for more*). Congratulations Cindy for this well-deserved honor!

- **Joanne Thiessen Martens** (Soil Science PhD student) was this week awarded the Western Grains Research Foundation Graduate Scholarship. Congratulations Joanne for this prestigious award!

**Low Flow Fume Hood Alarms, Ellis Building**

There is a new procedure for personnel response to the low flow fume hood alarms in Ellis Bldg, effective immediately. *See last page for details.*
Upcoming:

July 1 – Canada Day, University closed.

CSSS/CSAFM meeting: Profiling Change: A Century of Soil Science

The 2019 Joint Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Soil Science (CSSS) and the Canadian Society for Agricultural and Forest Meteorology (CSAFM) will be held in Saskatoon, SK, July 9-13.

NB: This joint annual meeting will overlap with Rhizosphere5 in Saskatoon July 7–11. Those who wish to register for both conferences can do so at a reduced rate.


Investors Group Field – Event Day Information/Parking Restrictions*

Thursday, June 27, 7:30 pm – Bombers vs. Edmonton. Parking restrictions: 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
Friday, July 12, 7:30 pm – Bombers vs. Toronto. Parking restrictions: 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
Friday, July 19, 7:30 pm – Bombers vs. Ottawa. Parking restrictions: 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
Thursday, August 8, 7:30 pm – Bombers vs. Calgary. Parking restrictions: 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm

*All parking lots are to be vacated a minimum of 90 minutes prior to the start of an event at Investors Group Field™, except A, B, staff section of D, CTC, and AC lots. In these lots, only permit holders will be allowed to remain and all others must vacate. Parking restrictions end 3 hours after the start of the game.

   Vehicular access onto campus is possible via Chancellor Matheson Road, University Crescent (both north and south entrances) or Kings Drive.

Department Staff Away:

Francis Zvomuya. June 21: Calgary
Shu Ng – will be back on June 25

Graduate Students

Registration Reminder: Summer 2019 & GRAD 7500 Academic Integrity

Please read the below information carefully as it concerns important information about graduate student registration.

NB: In addition to the re-registration courses below, please register for your appropriate thesis course:

   Master’s Thesis - 1598 - GRAD 7000 - A03
   Doctoral Thesis - 1603 - GRAD 8000 - A03

No approval form is needed for Summer registration.

Information for all Master’s and Ph.D. students who are continuing in their programs*:

All graduate students are required to register every academic term which includes Fall, Winter and Summer. If students do not register by June 15, 2019, they will be discontinued from their program of study. As Summer 2019 term is approaching, ensure you are registered for the re-registration course:

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This re-registration should be over and above any course registration(s) you complete. So long as you are in a re-registration course for each term, you will retain status in your graduate program even if you withdraw from other courses.

*MBA and MPA students: if you need to register for re-registration only, please contact your departmental/unit graduate program assistant.

Exceptions to Summer 2019 term re-registration:
- **Students on a Parental or Exceptional Leave** do not have to register in the term(s) for which this kind of leave is approved. Students on a *Regular Leave* are still required to register for the re-registration course in each term.

**Note:**
**Students who anticipate graduating in October 2019** must register for their final Thesis/Practicum/Comprehensive Exam/Project or the final course specific to their program in Summer 2019 term. Re-registration in GRAD 7020/GRAD 8020 is still a good idea in case your graduating term is delayed.

Students will not be assessed Program Fees or Continuing Fees in Summer Term. Applicable student organization and ancillary fees will be assessed. [http://umanitoba.ca/student/records/fees/988.html](http://umanitoba.ca/student/records/fees/988.html)

All course numbers and CRNs can be found by searching the Class Schedule link at [https://aurora.umanitoba.ca/](https://aurora.umanitoba.ca/).

If you have questions about registration please contact your departmental/unit graduate program assistant.

**Compulsory GRAD 7500 Academic Integrity Tutorial**

Academic Integrity is a matter of paramount importance in academia. It is the foundation of scholarly work. Breeches of Academic Integrity, whether intentional or unintentional, have potentially very serious consequences to a student’s status in the Faculty of Graduate Studies and at the University of Manitoba. To help graduate students better understand the issues surrounding Academic Integrity, the Senate of the University of Manitoba passed a motion that requires all graduate students to take a compulsory tutorial on Academic Integrity.

All graduate students must register for and complete GRAD 7500 Academic Integrity Tutorial one time. This is a zero (0) credit-hour course intended to introduce students to their basic responsibilities regarding academic integrity and to the resources available to them.

**Graduate Students who are starting their graduate program in Summer 2019, or who have not yet registered for the course, must register for GRAD 7500:**

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Failure to successfully complete this course within the first term of registration will result in suspension of registration privileges, and ultimately, a failed grade and Required to Withdraw action.

**Note:**
- Please only register for GRAD 7500 once. Do not register in subsequent terms while admitted to the same degree program.
- Students on an exceptional/parental/regular leave of absence must register in GRAD 7500 upon return from leave if it has not already been completed.
- Students MUST complete GRAD 7500 even if:
• They have already completed the Research Integrity course.
• They have already completed a similar departmental seminar course.
• Their thesis is in the middle of distribution.
• They are a Visiting, Occasional, or Pre-Masters student.
• A span of time of one (1) or more term(s) separates one graduate degree program from another
graduate degree program (for instance, if a student completed GRAD 7500 at the Master’s level, took a
break of one (1) or more terms and was admitted to another Master’s or Ph.D. program)
  o Students are not required to complete GRAD 7500 if:
    • They are a Ph.D. student who already completed GRAD 7500 during their Master’s program (without a
      span of time between programs)

Students must register for the course in Aurora in order to access it in UM Learn.

We strongly suggest you review the course instructions prior to starting the course:
http://umanitoba.ca/graduate_studies/htmlmail/Academic_Integrity_Instructions.pdf

FAQs can be viewed at: umanitoba.ca/faculties/graduate_studies/registration/grad7500FAQ.html.
Always remember to plan your program carefully. It is imperative that you ensure you are registering for only
those courses that are a major part of your Master’s or Ph.D. program. If they are not part of your major
program then they should be added through your department/unit office as an Auxiliary course “X”, Audit
course “A” or an Occasional course “O”. If you have questions about this, contact your department/unit. Do not
register for more courses than your program allows because you may be assessed extra fees at the time of
graduation.

As per SECTION 2: Academic Performance of the Faculty of Graduate Studies Academic Guide
http://crscalprod.ad.umanitoba.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=341&chapterid=4090&loaduseredit=False:

“Students are ultimately responsible for ensuring that they meet all degree and program
requirements. The advisor (and if appropriate co-advisor), advisory committee, and unit must ensure that each
student follows the guidelines and meets the program requirements. The Faculty of Graduate Studies performs a
final check of program requirements for each student just prior to graduation. Students are cautioned, therefore,
to periodically check all regulations with respect to the degree requirements. Failure to meet all the requirements
will render a student ineligible to graduate.”

Thank you for your attention to these important graduate student matters.

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LOW FLOW FUME HOOD ALARMS, ELLIS BLDG

There is a new procedure for personnel response to the low flow fume hood alarms in Ellis Bldg, effective immediately.

If the siren activates, it means there has been an exhaust system failure and the fume hoods have stopped drawing the appropriate amount of air. Chemical exhaust could be dumping into lab and general building space.

Because the Ellis Bldg has 2 separate ventilation systems (the North Wing and the South Wing), we can initially evacuate to the other wing. If the siren has activated in both wings, then both ventilation systems have shut down and we need to exit the building. When the alarms have stopped, we are to wait 5 minutes before re-entering, this is to allow any build up of gases to be ventilated from the building.

For now, this will be an individual response and not part of the Fire Evacuation Procedure.

On campus this currently effects the Ellis Bldg, the Animal Science Bldg and the Biological Sciences Bldg. The UM Life Safety Committee is currently working on a Campus wide plan, this an interim procedure put in place to address our Department’s Due Diligence.

We will discuss this at The Spring Orientation Session, if you currently have any questions contact Rob Ellis

The following signage has been posted below all 20 Low Flow Strobe/Sirens in Ellis:

**IF THE ABOVE SIREN HAS ACTIVATED,**

**IT MEANS THE BUILDING’S CHEMICAL FUME HOODS HAVE STOPPED WORKING**

**IMMEDIATE ACTION STEPS:**

1. EVACUATE TO THE NORTH WING OF THE BUILDING
2. IF THE NORTH WING IS ALSO ALARMING, EVACUATE TO OUTSIDE THE BUILDING
3. WHEN THE SIREN HAS STOPPED, WAIT 5 MINUTES BEFORE RETURNING

(Effective April 2019)