

Services and Resources for FST Graduate Students

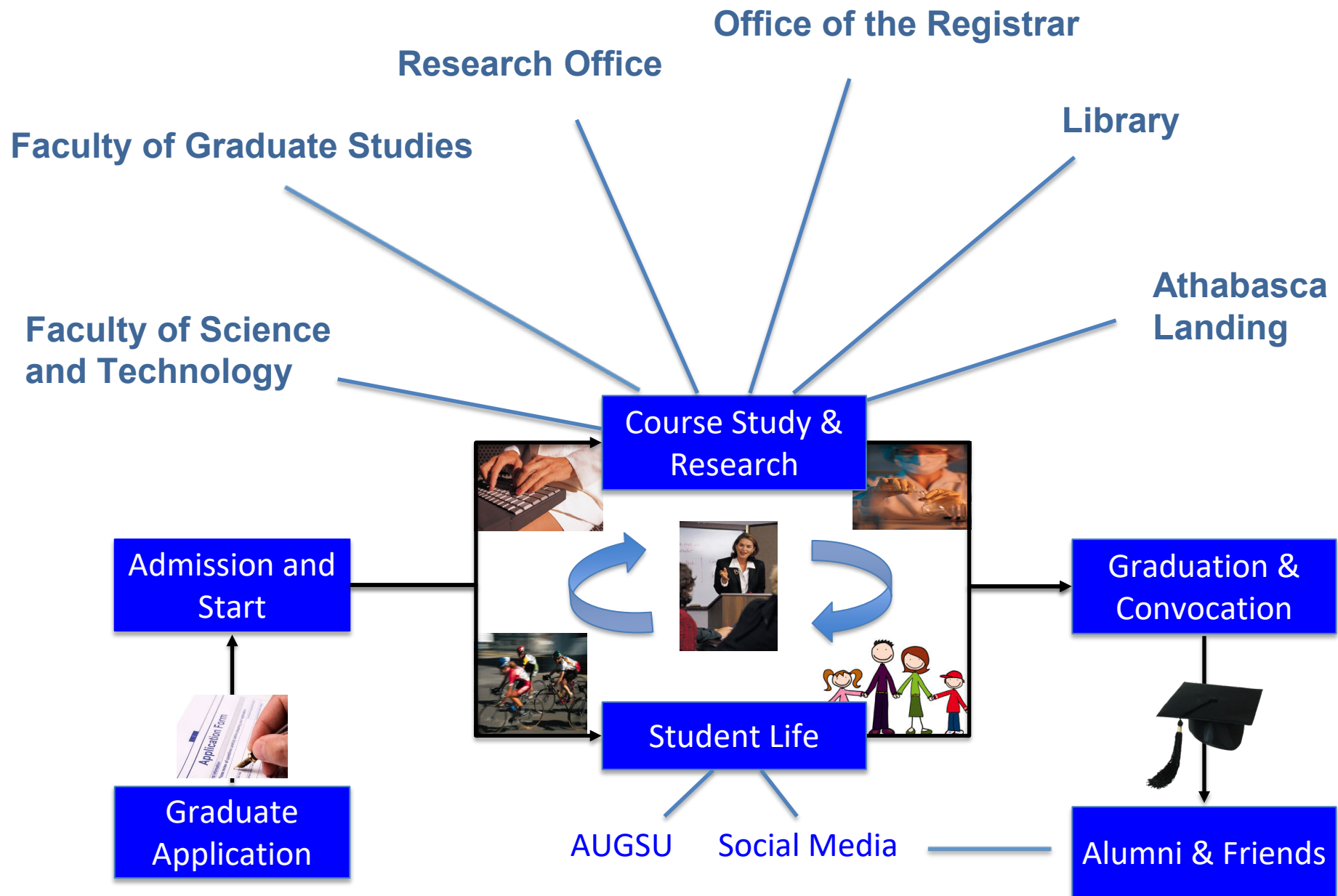
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Faculty of Science and Technology

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Faculty of Science and Technology (FST)

School of Computing and Information Systems



We are leaders in online undergraduate and graduate education in:

- computing and information systems
- data analytics
- information security
- information technology management

RAIC Centre for Architecture



Our online architecture programs and courses provide a jumping-off point for general interest students at the undergraduate level. We also offer a graduate diploma, the RAIC Syllabus program, and courses for internationally trained architects.



Explore your options in

architecture

Centre for Science



Earn your general Bachelor of Science degree online. You can specialize in:

- applied mathematics
- architecture
- computer and information systems
- human science

<https://www.athabascau.ca/science-and-technology/>

FST Academic Units

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- biological sciences

and select from a variety of minor concentrations ranging from biology, to psychology, to finance.

 **Take a course or start your science degree**

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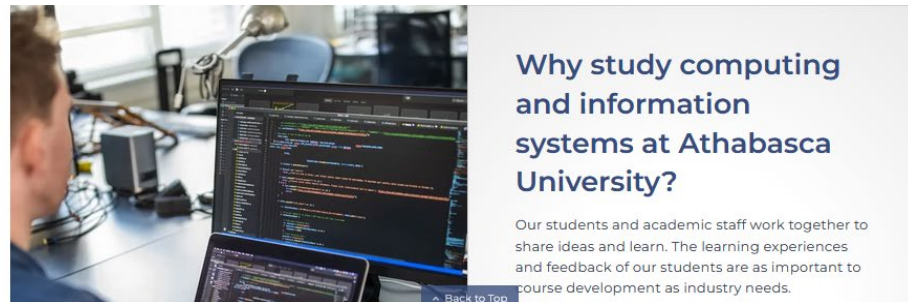


Get the skills you need to be competitive in the demanding and ever-changing field of computing and information systems (CIS). Take a course or two or complete a program at your own pace.

Our online programs include undergraduate certificates and degrees in computing and information systems, as well as a Master of Science - Computing and Information Systems. Our offerings are rounded out by graduate certificates in the following areas:

- data analytics
- information security
- information technology management

The graduates of all our programs are self-motivated analytical thinkers with the skills to enrich any team. Their leadership and creative problem-solving skills make them stand out.



<https://www.athabascau.ca/science-and-technology/about/discover-our-academic-disciplines/school-of-computing-and-information-systems.html>

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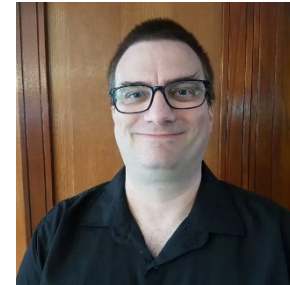
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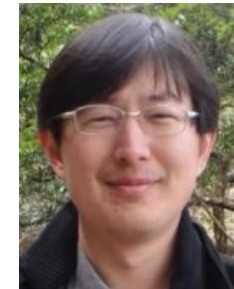
Terry Taylor



Ali Dewan



Mahmoud Abaza



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<https://scis.athabascau.ca/>



CENTRE

- ☐ All
- ☐ RAIC Centre for Architecture
- ☐ Centre for Science
- ☒ School of Computing & Information Systems

SUBJECT

- ☐ Biology
- ☐ Chemistry
- ☒ Computer Science
- ☐ Environmental Science
- ☐ Geography
- ☐ Geology
- ☐ Health Studies
- ☐ Mathematics

CATEGORY

- ☐ All
- ☒ Academic
- ☐ Administrative and support
- ☐ Tutors, academic experts, and coaches
- ☐ Research

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Dr. Jon Dron	Full Professor and Associate Dean in Learning and Assessment
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<http://architecture.athabascau.ca/>

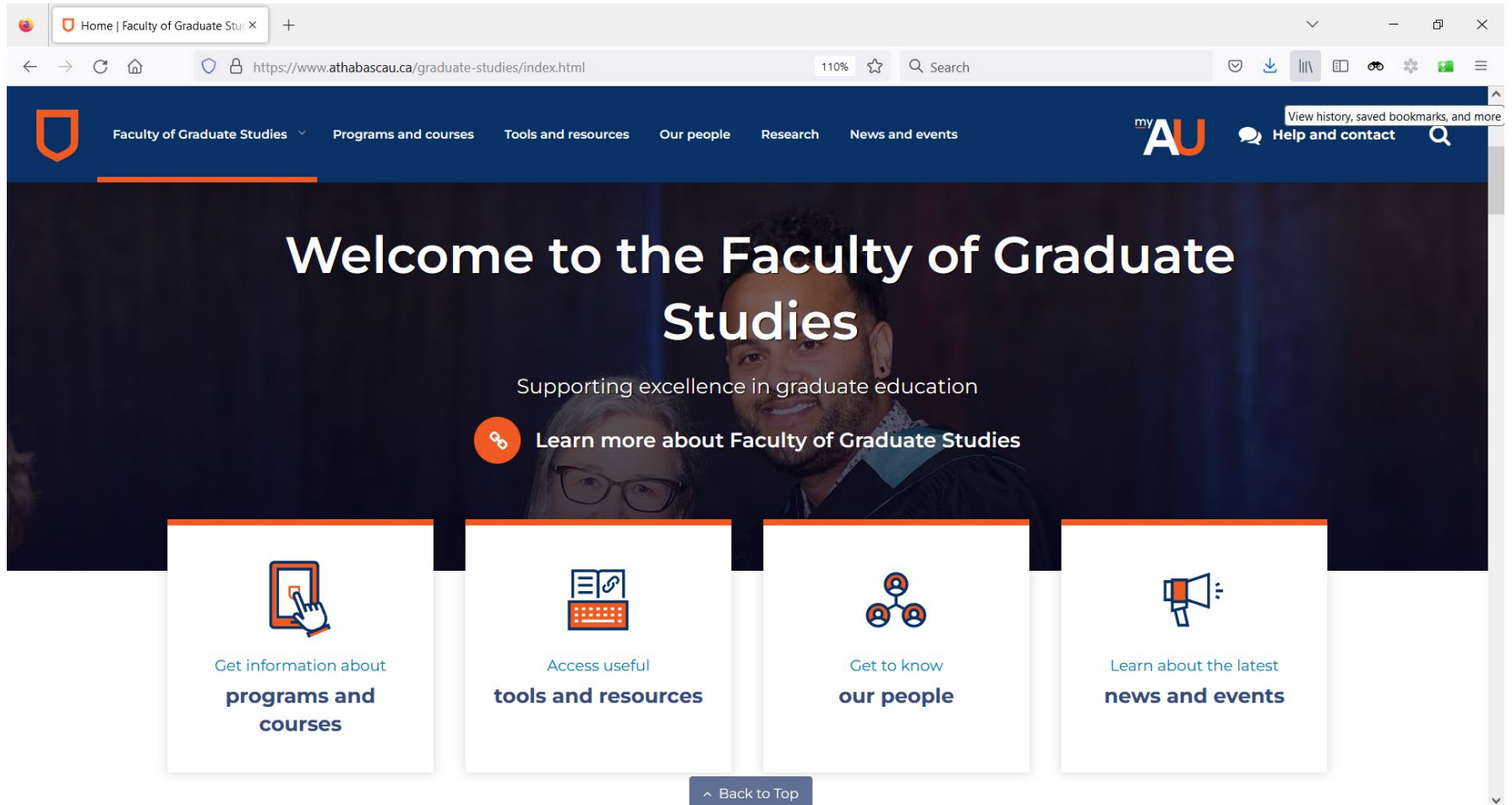
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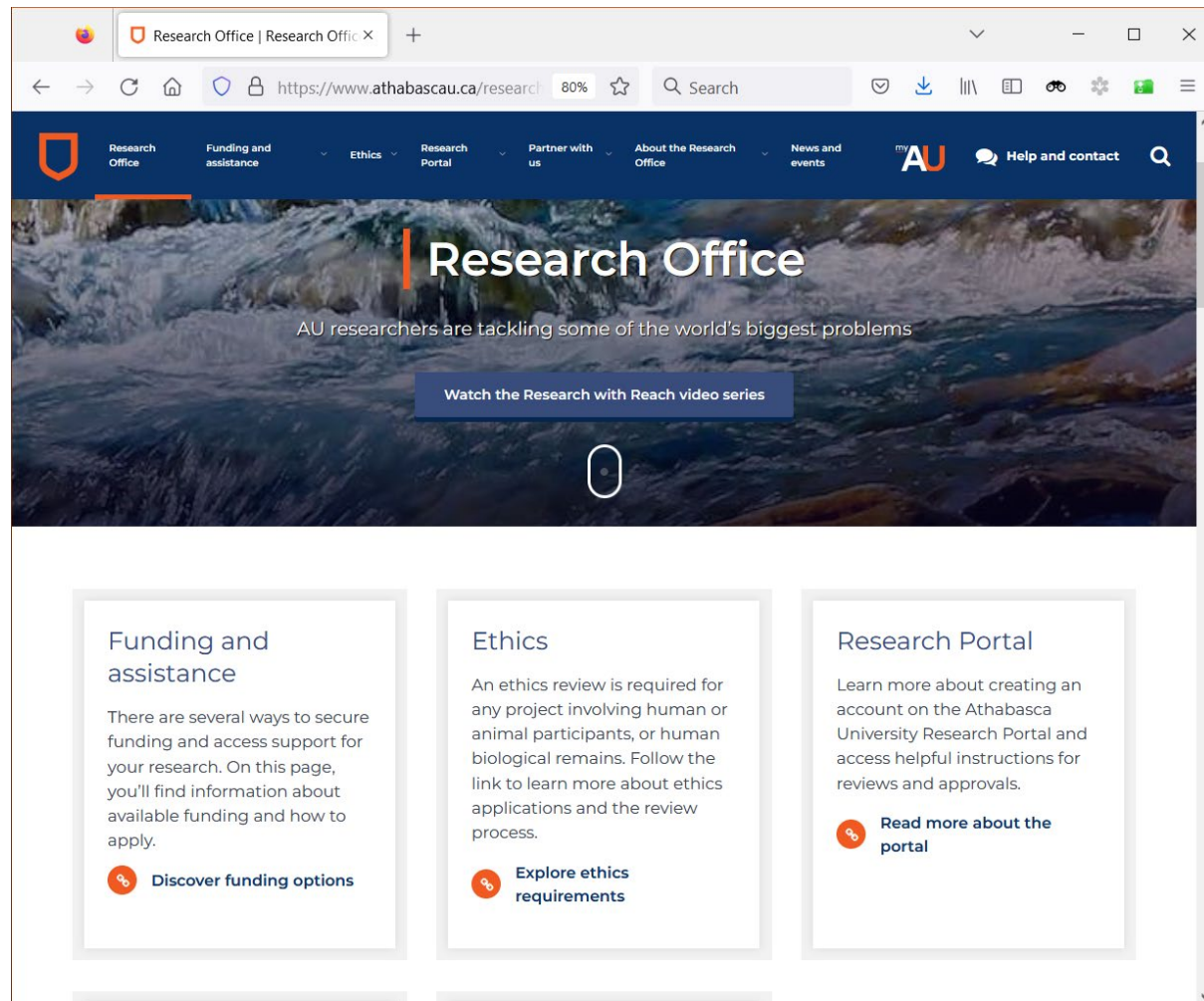
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- Tarah Lynch
- Mustafa Avci
- Junye Wang
- Chris Glover
- Scott Ketcheson
- Darcy Cordell

Faculty of Graduate Studies



<https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/>

Research Office



<https://www.athabascau.ca/research/>

Office of the Registrar

Enrolment Services

The Enrolment Services unit is responsible for three main functions: admissions, course registrations, and academic records.



[Browse Enrolment Services information](#)

Course credit assessment

Get more information about transferring credit as well as challenging a course for credit.



[Learn more about transferring credit](#)

Request forms

A list of forms that can be submitted online through myAU as well as printable versions that can be sent via mail or fax.



[View all online and printable forms](#)

Graduation

Learn about graduation procedures including how and when to submit a application for graduation.



[Get information about how to graduate](#)

Scholarship and award recipients

See each AU scholarship and award recipient for previous years as far back as 2004.



[See the recipients](#)

Contact us

Get contact information and hours of operation for the Office of the Registrar and its departments.



[How to get in touch](#)

<https://www.athabascau.ca/registrar/>

Graduate Calendar (AU, FST)

Overview

The **Faculty of Science and Technology**  comprises the **School of Computing and Information Systems** , **Centre for Science** , and in partnership with the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, the **RAIC Centre for Architecture** . The graduate programs available in this faculty are:

- › **NEW Master of Science – Earth System Science**
- › **Master of Science – Computing and Information Systems**
- › **Graduate Certificate – Data Analytics**
- › **Graduate Certificate – Information Security**
- › **Graduate Certificate – Information Technology Management**
- › **Graduate Diploma – Architecture**

The Faculty of Science and Technology offers an innovative and accessible spectrum of learning and teaching activities in our graduate programs and courses. Students can experience learning in areas of computing and information systems, architecture, and science by taking 1 or more courses or following a program of study.



<https://www.athabascau.ca/calendar/graduate/fst/>

Graduate Calendar: MSc CIS

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Master of Science – Computing and Information Systems

Regulations effective Sep. 1, 2025, unless otherwise noted.

The many and varied outcomes of this program will be largely dependent on the students, the nature of their commitment, and the focus of their elective course work. Graduates will be expected to demonstrate expertise and leadership in their chosen streams. The program fully expects to enable graduates to fill key positions in the growing information technology and services sector. This will include taking positions in information systems management, information technology project management, software design, and research implementation and developments.

The program also expects that, given the high quality of training and the focus of training on applied skills, graduates will demonstrate significant entrepreneurial activity in their chosen areas. As well, the program is expected to produce qualified instructors for public and private organizations providing IT training and education.

Graduates of the Master of Science – Computing and Information Systems (MSc CIS) program can look forward to challenging careers in academe, industry, and government.

Athabasca University has developed **program learning goals** that can assist you in making informed decisions about your career options upon graduating.

[➤ Admission requirements](#)[➤ Program application](#)[➤ Non-program application](#)[➤ Academic schedule](#)

<https://www.athabascau.ca/calendar/graduate/fst/master-of-science-in-information-systems.html>

Library

[Library and Scholarly Resources](#)[Find resources](#) ▾[How to use the library](#) ▾[Get library support](#) ▾[About AU Library](#) ▾[My library account](#)[myAU](#)[Help and contact](#)

Guides, tutorials, and webinars

The research process is a method for exploring and examining resources related to a particular topic. It encompasses a range of activities that can be divided into distinct but iterative steps. The guides presented under the categories below can help you navigate through every stage of the research process.



Planning your research



**Finding and accessing
research materials**



Evaluating your sources



**Writing, citing, and
scholarly communications**



**Guides by subject area or
topic**



Special topics



Webinars

Ask Us Chat

<https://www.athabascau.ca/library/get-library-support/guides-tutorials-webinars.html>

Library Orientations <https://www.athabascau.ca/library/orientations/>

Funding Opportunities

Faculty of Graduate Studies:

<https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/about/graduate-funding/>

Research Office:

<https://www.athabascau.ca/research/funding-and-assistance/find-and-apply-for-funding/graduate-student-funding.html>

Financial Aid and Awards:

<https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/financial-aid-and-awards/>

Financial aid

Learn about all aspects of our financial aid programs such as the eligibility requirements, application process, types of available assistance, and more.

Jump to:

- > Financial aid self-help
- > Financial aid FAQs
- > Requirements
- > Application process
- > Provincial funding agencies
- > Managing your loan
- > Financial resources

 Discover all financial aid options

Awards finder

See what awards are available through AU and how to qualify for one yourself.

Jump to:

- > Undergraduate awards
- > Graduate awards
- > Bursaries

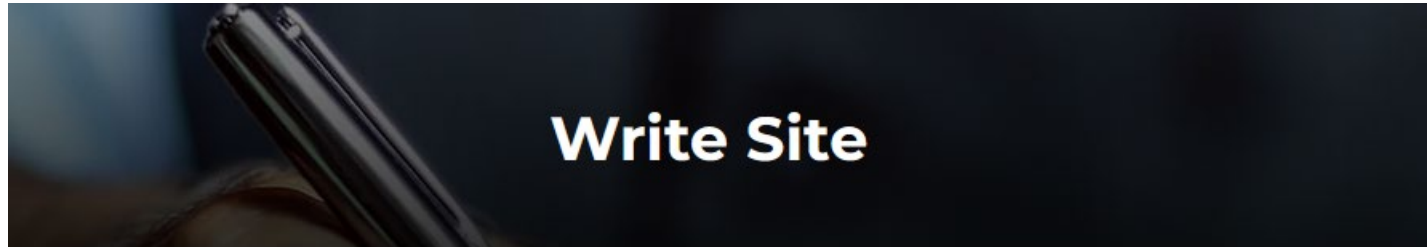
 Browse all awards

Awards and bursaries FAQs

Have a question about awards or bursaries? Check out this page to see what we get asked most often.

 Browse frequently asked questions

The Write Site



Our mission	Coaching	Writing resources
At the Write Site, we support and encourage writers to develop confidence and skill in academic communications.	› Write Site dropbox › Appointments › Webinars › Writing forum	› Lessons and videos › Common sentence errors › Writing process tools › Blog: Dear Write Site

Welcome to the Write Site!

<https://www.athabascau.ca/write-site/>

<https://www.athabascau.ca/write-site/coaching/lessons-and-videos.html>

Support Services at Athabasca University

Accessibility Services

We want to ensure equitable access to our learning environment for all. Learn more about our ongoing commitment to accommodate students learning with disabilities.

 **Browse available accommodations**

Program and Course Advising

Achieve your career and educational goals with the help of our self-assessment guides. Find the answers you're looking for and choose a program that best fits your long-term aspirations.

 **Start planning**

Financial Aid and Awards

We offer a wide variety of financial support programs. Get familiar with available awards and bursaries, loan management resources, and more.

 **Get all financial support details**

Tutoring and Learning Support

Improve your study success! Learn more about working with tutors, find available resources to grow your study skills, and improve your time management.

 **Master your course content**

Indigenous Support

Discover how we support Indigenous students with academic resources, cultural activities, and financial aid to help you thrive in your educational journey.

 **Learn more**

Exam Services Support

Go into your next exam with confidence! Understand everything about your online exam process, including how we set, distribute, invigilate, and collect your exams.

 **Begin exam prep today**

Mental Health and Wellness

Our certified health experts are here to guide and support you. Take advantage of our programs and resources to build up your personal tools for academic excellence.

 **Nurture your well-being**

Technical Support

Have a technical issue and need immediate assistance? Our specialized support pages are here to guide you through troubleshooting your IT problems in no time.

 **Fix technical issues with ease**

<https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/>

Mental Health and Wellness

Wellness programs and resources

Find support through Carepath by Bayshore's online support services, explore our anonymous peer support platform—TalkCampus, access free online courses, and more.



Learn about all programs

Helpful external resources

A listing of external mental health and wellness resources compiled by our experts and with direct input from our AU student community.



Browse mental health resources

Getting help

If you are in crisis and urgent need to connect with one of our mental health experts directly, don't hesitate to reach out. We have resources to support you no matter what. In the event of an emergency, always call 911.



Find support now

<https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/mental-health-and-wellness/>

Accessibility Services

Register for accessibility services

Find what you need to start the process at AU.

Jump to:

- › Are you eligible?
- › Accommodation process
- › Summary of disability documentation
- › Preparing your registration for accommodations

› View register for accessibility services summary

Available services

Learn more about the various services we offer. From assistive technology resources to individualized exam accommodations, and much more.

Jump to:

- › Course management support
- › Learning support
- › Exam accommodation
- › Assistive technology
- › Advocacy, accessibility & referral
- › Alternate format materials
- › Inclusive post-secondary education initiative

› View available services summary

Available funding

You may be eligible for funding sources such as bursaries, awards, and grants. Learn more about a variety of funding opportunities for students with disabilities.

Jump to:

- › Guide to funding and student loans
- › Full time status on 40 per cent course load
- › Canada studies grant for students with disabilities
- › Employment assistance for people with disabilities
- › AU Access Fund for Students with Disabilities and other awards
- › National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS)

› View available funding summary

Accessibility request forms

Find all accommodation and Accessibility Services related forms needed for your requests right here.

› Accessibility request forms

Accessibility policies

Get familiar with our mission, processes, and policies.

› Accessibility policies

Resources

Check out resources like recorded webinars from the Accessibility Services team.

› Resources

Some Useful Landing Groups

SCIS

<https://landing.athabascau.ca/groups/profile/11704/scis>

AU Graduate Students Association:

<https://landing.athabascau.ca/groups/profile/15119/augsa>

SCIS Graduate Students

<https://landing.athabascau.ca/groups/profile/2101501/scis-graduate-students>

Programming and Problem Solving

<https://landing.athabascau.ca/groups/profile/40571/programming-problem-solving>



Any questions?



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