

## Change for consideration by FGS Regulations/Programs Committee, March 5, 2014

### Re Doctoral Readmissions

#### READMISSION TO A GRADUATE PROGRAM

Students applying to enter a graduate program, who have previously withdrawn from a graduate program, or have exceeded their period of study, must apply for re-admission to the program and pay the application fee. **The decision to re-admit a student is made by the academic unit/program.**

Students will be credited with previous courses completed and work undertaken towards completion of program requirements at the discretion of the academic unit/program. The academic unit/program may decline to allow previously completed courses to be credited towards the graduate program applied for and/or may require a previous dissertation topic to be changed in whole or in part. ~~The decision to re-admit a student is made by the academic unit/program.~~

The academic regulations and program requirements in effect at the time of re-admission shall apply. If the student is returning to his/her previous program, and had not exceeded his/her period of study, the remaining terms will be available upon readmission. The allowable time-to-completion will include all previous terms in the program. **Doctoral** students who have reached their time limit in the program at the point of re-admission must complete the program within ~~three~~ **four** consecutive terms and will not be eligible for Time Extensions or Leaves of Absence, nor for further re-admissions.

Graduate Assistantship (GA) eligibility is attached to a student rather than the program being studied and students may only hold a doctoral GA position to a maximum of six terms in total. GA eligibility does not reset with the completion of or withdrawal from a doctoral program. Students who completed a doctoral degree at Lakehead University and are applying to a new doctoral program, students who withdraw from a doctoral program and subsequently are readmitted to the same program, or students who partially complete a doctoral program and are admitted to a new doctoral program are only eligible to hold GA positions up to six terms regardless of the number of admissions (or readmissions) to doctoral programs.