#### Frequently asked questions:

### Temporary suspension of the Master of Journalism (MJ) program for 2023/24

The University of Regina has temporarily suspended admissions for the Bridging and Master's programs in Journalism for the 2023/24 academic year. In addition, no graduate courses in Journalism will be offered during this time. This information sheet should answer most of your big questions about this temporary suspension, clarify your options, and direct you to further information and assistance.

## Q: Why are we doing this?

**A:** By July 2023, the J-School will only have two active, in-scope faculty members remaining and no funding available to increase the faculty complement. Suspending admissions to the Bridging and Master's programs in Journalism and course offerings for the 2023/24 academic year will allow Journalism faculty members to redesign the J-School to make it more financially sustainable.

#### Q: What does this mean for current Master's of Journalism students?

**A:** The J-School is committed to doing all it can to ensure that current students can complete their Master of Journalism programs. Current students should contact Mitch Diamantopoulos (Mitch.Diamantopoulos@uregina.ca) to discuss their program.

# Q: If I have already applied for the 2023/24 academic year and not yet been accepted what are my options?

**A:** You have two options.

First, if you have already applied you may withdraw your application and have your application fee refunded.

Applicants may instead apply for acceptance in related programs offered at the University of Regina in the 2023/24 academic year. You may transfer applications from the MJ to the program of your choice without an additional fee. You can find more information on graduate program offerings at <a href="https://www.uregina.ca/gradstudies/future-students/programs/detailed-program-list.html">https://www.uregina.ca/gradstudies/future-students/programs/detailed-program-list.html</a>.

To withdraw your application (and receive a refund), arrange a change of program for the 2023/24 academic year, or be placed on the contact list for information when admissions to the Master's of Journalism program resume, please e-mail <a href="mailto:Grad.AssocDean@uregina.ca">Grad.AssocDean@uregina.ca</a>.

Q: What does this mean for students who have extended acceptances from the 2022/23 academic year for beginning their programs in the 2023/24 academic year?

**A:** Unfortunately, no graduate level Journalism classes will be offered for the 2023/24 academic year so it will not be possible for you to begin the Master's of Journalism program during that time. You can either withdraw your application and receive a reimbursement of your application fee, or you can request that your application be transferred to another program at no charge.

You can request your refund or transfer your application by contacting Grad.AssocDean@uregina.ca

# Q: What are the study permit implications for international students who choose to apply to a different program?

There may be study permit implications for changing your program. For further information on study permit implications, contact <u>international.admissions@uregina.ca</u>

### Still have questions?

If you are a current Master's of Journalism student, please contact <a href="Mitch.Diamantopoulos@uregina.ca">Mitch.Diamantopoulos@uregina.ca</a>. All other students should contact the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies at <a href="Graduatesanguregina.ca">Grad.AssocDean@uregina.ca</a>