

SLS Educator Award - 2015 Winner



Andrea Moon is the 2015 winner of the SLS Educator Award, recognizing her accomplishments in SLS as our resident Learning Strategist. Andrea is the early developer and implementer of our online registration

and data capture system, helping students connect with our programs and services. She started our regular communications to Faculty and Staff through the SLS Newsletter, established the Peer Academic Coach program, and has successfully led some of our first #RyersonSA collaborative events: the Common Reading Program, Faculty Speaker Series, and the Long Night Against Procrastination. This past year, she worked with colleagues in SLS and the Registrar to gather data and provide an assessment of the Fresh Start program. Congratulations Andrea!

Get Clear

Do you know first year students on probation? The [Get Clear](#) program for students on academic probation blends customized, one-on-one and group academic skills support designed to assist students who are in academic jeopardy. Please encourage students to sign up early in the semester as part of your probationary messaging. For more information please contact getclear@ryerson.ca.

Faculty Resources

- Request customized in-class support. [Submit a request](#) for an in-class academic skill building presentation.
- Refer your students to one of our workshops.
- Include us in your syllabus, [download information](#) on SLS programs and support areas from our website.

Connect with SLS



Academic Accommodation Support

This Winter, AAS will roll out a pilot where Accommodation Facilitators will answer questions at the SLS Reception daily, during peak-time hours. The goal of this pilot is to reduce wait times and provide 'on-the-spot' service for students registered with AAS who are seeking answers to questions or searching for information and guidance.



English Language Support

Individual appointments with a Peer Language Facilitator begin on January 18. Students can book an appointment to improve their English speaking, listening and writing skills. The 8-week English Communication Support classes and the Listening and Discussion Group sessions start on January 25.



Graduate Student Support

Registration is open for the PhD Dissertation Retreats: St. John's Retreat (February 2 to 6) and Toronto Island Retreat (May 2 to 5). Coffee and Writing group sessions will be held bi-weekly on Wednesdays, 2pm to 5pm. This semester we'll also be hosting a Write-a-Thon and genre-specific peer-review groups. Individual writing consultation appointments begin on January 25.



Math Support

Winter drop-in tutoring begins on January 18, from 2pm-5pm. Regular hours begin on January 25: Monday to Thursday 12pm to 8pm, Friday 12pm to 5pm, and Saturday and Sunday 12pm to 3pm. Group Tutoring is available for QMS130 and QMS230.



Study Skills and Transition Support

Supported Learning Group sessions and first-year Engineering tutoring will commence on January 25, and Peer Academic Coach appointments on January 18. Two courses, CHY103 and PCS120, will be added to the roster of Supported Learning Groups in Winter 2016.



Writing Support

The new 10-week Creative Writing group will encourage writing as a creative, therapeutic practice, in addition to an academic one. Students will emerge with a small body of work, and strategies for approaching the creative process. Individual writing consultation appointments begin on January 25.



Test Centre

In Fall 2015, the Test Centre administered a total of 6,763 tests and final exams (13.5% increase over Fall 2014). A new record was set for the highest number of final exams administered in a single day: 432.