

## **M.Sc. First-Year Seminars**

All first-year M.Sc. students in the thesis-based program are required to give a seminar after one year in the program. The seminars are normally held in October/November, and are an opportunity for you to become familiar with the expectations for the defence.

You will be given adequate notification about the seminars. You will be asked to submit the title of your topic along with a request for any A-V equipment you will need.

If you have not progressed significantly on your thesis topic, you can still give a seminar focusing on the scientific thought and rationale. You should present some data and explain how you are handling it (include any problems you are encountering). The length of your presentation should be 15 minutes maximum. A 10-minute question period will follow your presentation.

Your supervisor(s) is required to attend your Seminar. Since supervisors are required to attend all of their students' seminars, it is not possible for the Graduate Office to give the students a choice of dates. We will do our best to distribute a tentative schedule early enough so that if there are any conflicts you and your supervisor(s) can inform the Graduate Office before the final schedule is complete.

M.Sc. students who are considering transferring to the PhD program should read the accompanying PhD Transfer information.