

SoTL Newsletter



October 2025

Graham Centre for SoTL Upcoming Events for Faculty and Students

Save the Dates for 2025-26 SoTL Events

- October 20, 4-5:00p.m: How to Navigate SoTL Ethics
- November 25, 4-5:00p.m: SoTL Fika - Authentic Assessment
- January 15, 4-5:00p.m: Applying for SoTL Grants and Developing Research Proposals
- February 5, 4-5:00p.m: SoTL Conference & Abstract Presentations
- March 5, 4-5:00p.m: Getting Started on a SoTL Project
- March 18, 4-5:00p.m: SoTL Fika - SoTL Leadership and Faculty Fellows
- May 5-6, 2026, 8:30-4:30p.m: SoTL Shine Summit

Register at: education.usask.ca/grahamcentresotl

2025-2026 SoTL Research Grants

The Jane and Ron Graham Centre for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) is committed to providing the development of capacity for SoTL research among faculty and students. The Graham Centre for SoTL recognizes the importance of providing support to University of Saskatchewan faculty, masters and doctoral students to enable them to develop and prepare high quality SoTL research projects. To this end, the Centre has established three grants to support this commitment:

- SoTL Flicker Grant, \$2,500 (for graduate students)
- SoTL Spark Grant, \$5,000 (for faculty new to SoTL)
- SoTL Ignite Grant, \$10,000 (for faculty experienced in SoTL)
- SoTL Flare Grant, \$25,000 (for SoTL research within a College or School, lead by tenure track faculty).

The complete SoTL Research Grants Handbook is available at:
education.usask.ca/grahamcentresotl/sotl-grant.php



The SoTL Flicker grant offers financial assistance to master's and doctoral students seeking to incorporate teaching and learning aspects into their graduate studies. This grant provides an exceptional opportunity for students to enhance their research skills in the realm of teaching and learning. The support from the Jane and Ron Graham Centre for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning is invaluable in assisting students in crafting high-quality SoTL research proposals that have the potential to make a tangible impact in the field of teaching and learning.



The SoTL Spark grant provides a valuable platform for faculty members to begin engaging in their first Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) research project. During the initial year, faculty will work one-on-one with the Director of the Graham Centre for SoTL to develop their SoTL research proposals, obtain necessary ethics approvals, and to craft a dissemination plan. In the subsequent year, faculty members will immerse themselves in the research process, encompassing data collection and analysis (with continued support from the Director), all the ultimate aim of sharing their discoveries with the wider educational community.



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SoTL Ignite

The SoTL Ignite grants are designed to provide support to faculty members with a demonstrated track record in Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) research. An experienced SoTL researcher is defined as an individual who has previously served as Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator on a successful grant, leading to at least one peer-reviewed publication or conference presentation. These grants are open to all faculty members at the University of Saskatchewan, including sessional faculty who are eligible to apply if a full-time member serves as the Primary Investigator (PI).

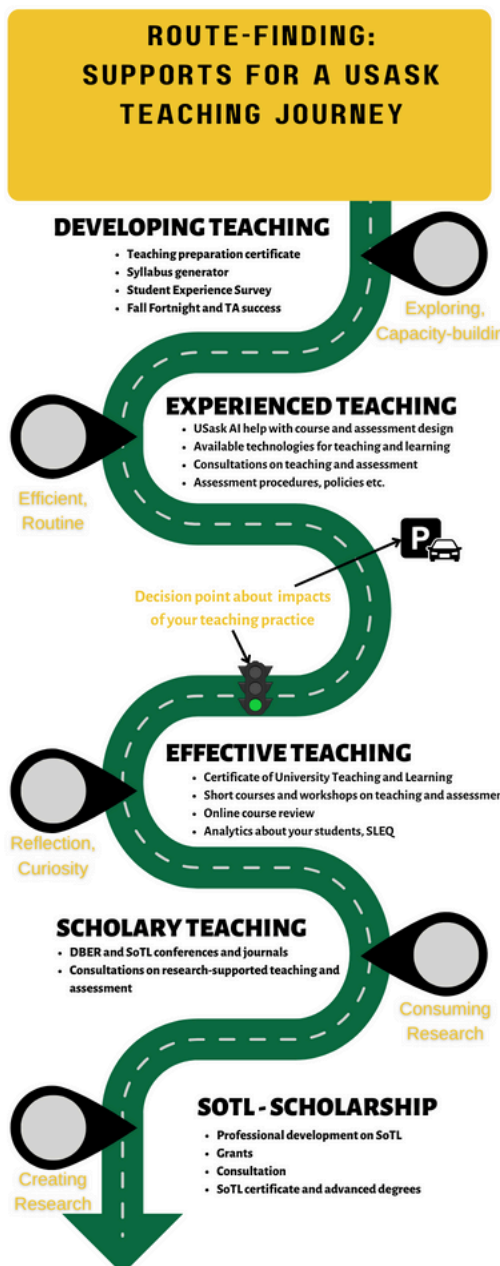


SoTL Flare

The SoTL Flare grant is designed to foster collaborative research among faculty members within a specific College or School at USask, addressing a significant teaching challenge unique to their discipline. Projects must focus on solving a significant teaching and learning challenge specific to the applicant's College or School.

Upcoming Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conferences:

- October 14-16, 2025 - MRU SoTL Symposium, Banff
- November 3-6, 2025 - ISSOTL, New Zealand
- February 25-27, 2026 - SoTL Commons, Georgia



SAVE THE DATE: ISSOTL October 28-31, 2026



Applications now open for Fall 2026

Master of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Graduate Certificate of the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning

Students have the option of completing the four-course certificate as a stand-alone graduate program, or students may ladder the certificate into the Master of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning degree program - receiving credit for both. Application deadline is February 1, 2026.

Cross-Departmental Ph.D. in Education - SoTL Focus

Students have the opportunity to complete a Ph.D. in Education focusing their program on SoTL related topics and research. This dissertation-based program will follow the program requirements of the cross-departmental Ph.D. program in the College of Education. Applications are now open until November 30, 2025 for Fall 2026 admission.

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