Graduate students receive credit for completing this course, if they have attended a minimum of 8 out of the 11 classes. Attendance will be taken. Note that CS697 cannot be used to satisfy the course requirements of either the Masters or PhD degree.

The purpose of the course is to introduce graduate students to a number of challenges and skills that are relevant to graduate studies in computer science at the University of Waterloo. A majority of the classes include guest speakers. A few of the classes involve hands-on activities.

September 10 -- The Grad Unhandbook (Panel of Faculty and Grads)
September 17 -- Time Management (Linda McKay)
September 24 -- Stress Management (Brenda Julian)
October 1 -- Academic Speaking Skills
October 15 -- Academic Writing Skills
October 22 -- How to Create a Useful Poster
October 29 -- Academic Integrity (Sue Horton)
November 5 -- Advice on Interviewing and Resumes (Elisabeth Adrian)
November 12 -- How to Finish that Damn PhD (Dan Berry)
November 19 -- Academic vs Industry Jobs (Panel of Industry Reps and Faculty)
November 26 -- Wrap-up of Course: What's on Your Mind? Parting Advice