



Career News



News and General Information



FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS: NEW STUFF

- Want to take FREE AutoCAD courses that will allow you to get a high school credit and a post-secondary credit at the same time? The Engineering Design and Drafting Technology (EDDT) program at Sask Polytech is offering two AutoCAD courses in the new year. Contact [Shawn Young](#) for more information.

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FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS FROM PREVIOUS ISSUES: OLD STUFF

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 - If you are not currently on the SaskMoney mailing list and would like to receive updates on financial literacy initiatives, please contact [Aaron Adair](#) at (SIEC).
- HURRY. Remember that most of Sask. Polytechnic's programs are [First Qualified, First Admitted \(FQFA\)](#) which means first come, first served, when you meet the minimum requirements. For current grade 12s, for many programs, the first opportunity to apply is Sept. 1, 2023. If you wait, the course may be full. Here is an [application guide](#) to assist you.
- Students 16-18 who are interested in volunteering in the health care field, consider the Volunteer Program where you would go into hospitals and health centres to spend time with patients and help health care professionals. Contact [John Paul Hickie](#) (306-630-7405).
- **Transcript Requests:** Grade 12 students who are applying to a post-secondary institution will need to send the institution an unofficial school transcript that lists the subjects they are taking in 2022-2023. They will also need to request that a [transcript from the Ministry of Education](#) be sent to that institution. There is a \$25 fee for the first five selections and \$2 per additional location in one sitting. Students should check off the following (see next) and make all requests in one sitting because it will cost \$25 each time you login and make the requests:

Where would you like the transcript sent?	What is your situation?
<input type="radio"/> Saskatchewan Polytechnic (SIAST) <i>(all four campuses)</i> <input type="radio"/> Apprenticeship and Trade <input type="radio"/> University of Regina <input type="radio"/> University of Saskatchewan <input type="radio"/> University of Alberta <input type="radio"/> Self <i>(3 copies provided)</i> <small>Note: you will be contacted by email if an address change is required</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I want my transcript(s) sent as soon as possible <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I want my transcripts(s) sent at another time. Select one of the options below: <input type="radio"/> After November Session (Printed mid December) <input type="radio"/> After December Exams (Printed mid January) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After January Exams (Printed mid February) <input type="radio"/> After March Exams (Printed beginning of April) <input type="radio"/> After April Session (Printed end of May) <input type="radio"/> After May Exams (Printed mid June) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After June Exams (Printed mid July) <input type="radio"/> After Summer School (Printed beginning of August) <input type="radio"/> After August Exams (Printed beginning of September)

You will want to check off the ones as shown on the right. Each time you make a selection in "What is Your Situation?", you must click on the "Add to Cart" button in order to make another selection.

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- Keep up to date on the [RDIEC YouTube Channel](#) for all the newest virtual spotlights.
- Learn about education lines of credit, scholarships and bursaries, Can/Sask. Student Loans, First Nations and Metis Band Funding, and other post-secondary funding at the [RDIEC](#) event: Parents as Career Coaches: Funding your Child's Education.
- Interested in health sciences? Saskatchewan has agreements with post-secondary institutions in other provinces to reserve seats for eligible Saskatchewan residents in specific health training programs not offered here. The programs include Respiratory Therapy, Nuclear Medicine, Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Ultrasound), Occupational Therapy, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Cardiovascular Perfusion, Electroneurophysiology, and Prosthetics and Orthotics are offered in Alberta and BC schools. Have a look at the [Health Science Fact Sheet](#) for more information on health programs in and outside the province. Check out the expansion of the [Health Training Program Opportunities](#).
- Unsure of what you wish to do after grade 12? Consider [Discover Year](#), an innovative one-year life skills program that helps young adults better understand what they want and build the skills they need to go out and get it. Students learn a variety of skills and have experiences that prepare them for life after their gap year, whether that be the workforce or a post-secondary program. The next virtual info session is Oct. 17. [Register here](#). Other info sessions will occur Jan. 11, Feb. 13, Mar. 14, May 2, and May 22.
- Or check out [The Canadian Gap Year Association](#) for different options for a gap year after grade 12. Instead of an in-person year of activities, this organization has [several specific programs](#).
- [WorkSafe Saskatchewan](#) provides residents of Saskatchewan with free, online health and safety education certification. This is a great opportunity to include in your resume when applying for a job. Courses include Bullying in the Workplace, Hazard Identification, Mental Health, Violence in the Workplace, WHMIS, and many others. [Course descriptions](#) are available. Once you go through the [registration](#), and declare yourself as a Saskatchewan resident, your total cost will be zero dollars. You can then begin taking the courses you chose.
- Before someone from a university or technical school comes by your high school, have a look at these [tips to prepare for post-secondary representatives](#).

FOR CWEX, CAREER ED., FIN. LIT., SCIENCE TEACHERS, CAREER COUNSELLORS: NEW STUFF

- No new stuff.

FOR CWEX, CAREER ED., FIN. LIT., SCIENCE TEACHERS, CAREER COUNSELLORS: OLD STUFF

- **Changes to Career Safety Education:** The Sask. Safety Council does not require participating students to take Young Workers' Readiness Course, but it remains a requirement of the Saskatchewan Government for those ages 14 and 15 only. Participants who enroll in Career Safety Education will be given sequential access to the following programs: New Worker Readiness, Mental Health Resiliency, WHMIS, Hearing Protection, Industry Elective(s) of choice. Once enrolled, Career Safety Education is an automated process whereby each course can only be accessed after the pre-requisite, or previous course, is completed. This makes the system much more efficient than previous versions. If your curriculum requires the completion of Young Workers Readiness, **that is a separate requirement from our program** and not related. If you prefer that your students take only a specific industry course(s), and not participate in the system as defined above, we can modify their registrations to allow different access, however some courses such as SCOT and WAVE would no longer be available to them.

There are **2 pathways** schools can choose to participate in our free training:

1. **Career Safety Education Guided Pathway** – This is a hands-off system that allows students to take 1 course at a time in a specific order to help build their knowledge at each step. It starts with New Worker Readiness, then Mental Health Resiliency, WHMIS, Hearing Protection and follows with an industry elective. This ensures the learner is building the knowledge at each step that can be used to help understand the next course content. (**Note: New Worker Readiness is not the same as YWRCC** offered by the Government of Saskatchewan, **New Workers Readiness provides significantly more detail in understanding risk and safety within first jobs**, YWRCC is a legal requirement for those aged 14 or 15 at the time of employment). To register for the Career Safety Education, complete the profile request form [here](#).
2. **Self-Learning Pathway** – The learner is given access to all the free training, allowing them to pick and choose what courses to take based on what they need. This pathway is recommended for those that already have a foundational knowledge of workplace safety, risks, hazards, and control measures so they can comprehend the material in the courses. It is also the one used if you only want a single course or access to courses in a different sequence than is recommended. For all-access to the programs in the self-learning pathway, complete the profile request found [here](#).

What teachers responsible for young workers need to know:

- **Commonly Confused** - Young Workers Readiness Course & Career Safety Education
 - **Young Workers' Readiness Course** is a single course that is required to work in Saskatchewan for those aged 14 and 15 only.
 - **Career Safety Education** is a series of voluntary training courses designed to prepare new workers at all ages for employment in Saskatchewan.
- The Saskatoon Industry Education Council (SIEC) and Affinity Credit Union are proud to launch [Student SaskMoneyMinute](#) (SSMM). Students create a one-minute video to introduce a positive financial habit to their peers. Students can win prizes while meeting curricular outcomes, so this makes an excellent project to wrap-up a course with financial literacy content.

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- If you are not currently on the SaskMoney mailing list and would like to receive updates on financial literacy initiatives, please contact [Aaron Adair](#) at (SIEC). Skills Canada Saskatchewan: Trade and Tech Day is an opportunity for students to hear a one-hour presentation from Jayden Leister, a Skills Canada alumnus, who will speak about his involvement with Skills and how it prepared him for a technical career in the Royal Canadian Navy. Following the presentation, there will be two to four Try a Trade and Technology activities for students to receive some hands-on experiences in a variety of industries. If you are interested in a Trade and Tech Day and your school, please contact at [Jayden Leister](#).
- Keep up to date on the [RDIEC YouTube Channel](#) for all the newest virtual spotlights.
- Anyone teaching Career and Work Exploration (CWEX) please contact [Jeff Feeley](#) for CWEX employer folders, certificate frames, gifts, CWEX binder, or anything else related to CWEX. Or if you are new to teaching CWEX, please contact him to learn more about running the course. CWEX calendars are ready to go on [Connect](#).
- If you wish to book a presentation from Sask. Apprenticeship, contact [Morgan Waldo](#) (306-527-1730) in the Regina office. Three presentations are available:
 1. Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship (SYA) (overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA—45 minutes)
 2. Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship and Virtual Reality (condensed overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA, followed by the opportunity for students to try out a trade using VR technology—3 hours)
 3. Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship and MyATC Registration (overview of skilled trades, apprenticeship process, and educates students on SYA, followed with a student registration walkthrough of MyATC—60 minutes)
- Check out the [EVERFI K-12 Course Listing for Canada](#). As well, five [EVERFI Investing Basics Lessons](#) are available to high school teachers and students to learn more about financial markets, macroeconomics, company financing, and personal investing.

APPRENTICESHIP AND TRADES INFO: OLD STUFF

- [What is Apprenticeship Brochure](#) and the handbook [High School to Apprenticeship](#) can provide a great deal of information for those interested in apprenticeship trades.
- [Entrance Requirements-for-Apprenticeship-Training-Updated-August-2023.pdf \(saskapprenticeship.ca\)](#)
- [Journey through Apprenticeship](#) explains the process involved in becoming a journey person and the difference in getting there via direct apprenticeship versus pre-employment.
- From Sask. Apprenticeship: All SYA Champions and SYA Participants will need to have a MyATC account. New students are registered through MyATC. SYA Champions can approve youth apprentice registrations, and request and access completion certificates. SYA Participants can view levels completed and print their completion certificates and will use MyATC to apply for apprenticeship when they are ready. If you were registered with us as a school before January 10, 2022, you will have a code that you will use to register. Your code will never expire and can be used to set up multiple SYA Champs. If you've lost your code or you are a brand new school please contact us at youthapprenticeship@gov.sk.ca.
- A guide to explain how to get registered for MyATC can be found [here](#). If you have questions, contact Sask. Youth Apprenticeship at youthapprenticeship@gov.sk.ca. You can find MyATC [here](#).

CAREER AND WORK EXPLORATION (CWEX) INFO: OLD STUFF

- The [Saskatchewan Federation of Labour](#) offers 1 ½ -2-hour **virtual** presentations of the Ready for Work Program. If you are teaching CWEX and want to set up a presentation, please contact [Janelle Gerard](#) (306-924-8301).
- New to CWEX or Career Education 6-9? Try these resources. Check out the [Career Planning](#) section of the Prairie South site for login instructions for both myBlueprint and ChatterHigh
 - a. [ChatterHigh](#) is a gamified content engagement platform to help students prepare for life after high school.
 - b. [myBlueprint](#) is a great resource for students and teachers to learn about all things career. [myBlueprint Support](#) is a great resource for teachers to access assignments, webinars, videos, and other resources for both teachers and students. Teachers, contact [Jeff Feeley](#) to get registered with myBlueprint and access these great resources.
- Financial Literacy, Math, Life Transitions teachers, check out [PennyDrops](#), Canada's largest student-run, non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of financial literacy. Teachers can sign up their whole class, and have students work through numerous modules.
- Career and Work Exploration (CWEX) Teachers:
 - a. Please use the 2020 curriculum for CWEX 10, 20, A30 and B30.
 - b. Please contact [Jeff Feeley](#) if you require CWEX Employer Folders, a CWEX binder, CWEX gifts and certificate frames or support for first-time CWEX teachers. CWEX calendars are ready to go on [Connect](#).

CHATTERHIGH INFO: OLD STUFF

Stay up to date with competitions through the school year [here](#). Check out all the courses available:

- [Learn About Your Taxes](#) by the Canada Revenue Agency
- [Money Management Courses](#) by the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada
- [Mental Health and Wellness](#)
- [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#)
- [Insurance Literacy and Me](#) by the Insurance Bureau of Canada
- [Forestry Industry Pathways](#)
- [Automotive & RV Industry Pathways](#)
- [Let's Explore Engineering](#)
- [Saskatchewan Agriculture Industry Pathways](#)

Explore Cyber Security and Its Careers by the Communications Security Establishment of Canada(new!)

- CRA "Learn About Your Taxes" Courses Focus Group
School divisions are invited to have students participate in a CRA 'confidence' study this year. This involves providing a 'post-post' activity survey to participating students. This [letter](#) provides details. A call is planned with the CRA to allow districts the opportunity to discuss the purpose, review the survey, and ask questions. Participation in this survey is not mandatory to use the courses.

Available support/options for you:

- Educator & administrator onboarding calls (free)
- Professional development sessions and class presentations
- District- and school-level reports on student progress/engagement
- Add your own draw prizes for your school/division
- Create a custom course for your school/division (any topic)

RCMP INFO: OLD STUFF

- Interested in the RCMP? Attending one of their many in person or virtual [recruiting events](#) held throughout the year is one the steps towards becoming a member. Options include 15-minute talks to get the chance to talk with an RCMP recruiter, and one-hour virtual career presentations, some with an Indigenous focus, some with a female focus, and some for anyone to see if the RCMP is potentially for you.

MYBLUEPRINT INFO: OLD STUFF

- Teachers new to CWEX or Career Education and wish to use myBlueprint should contact [Jeff Feeley](#) to get set up. Then go to the Prairie South website (Students, Career Planning, myBlueprint, ChatterHigh, Career Planning Apps, Student sign up instructions for myBlueprint)
- Teachers should check out the free [myBlueprint Webinars](#) on a wide variety of topics to help you and your students get more out of [myBlueprint](#).
- Or have a look at the slide shows to help you help your students.
[Vision Board Lesson Plan & Slideshow](#) to help students visualize their goals and dreams.
[A Forwards & Backwards Planning Slideshow](#) to guide students in preparing for their future.

SAFETY INFO: OLD STUFF

- Check the [Events Calendar](#) of the Safety Council for upcoming safety training sessions on a variety topics including skid steer operator, power machine operator, fall protection, forklift, aerial work platform, and hazard recognition. There are also courses for personal interests and activities such as motorcycle rider training, defensive driving, ATV safety.
- The Saskatchewan Safety Council offers a variety of [free online training programs](#) for students ages 14-21. These include Hearing Protection, Fall Protection, and Respiratory Protection. Students who have [Career Safety Education](#) training can click the [Login button on this page](#) and enter the email address they used for SCE in the User Name field, then click "Forgot your password?" Once they have a new password, they can login with it and take the training. Anyone else can follow the directions on that page. If your students would benefit from some other type of safety training, contact the [Safety Council](#) and let them know what you would like to see them offer.
- Attention grade 9 teachers. RDIEC has organized a video safety series which Grade 9 students and teachers can access by clicking [Grade 9 Safety Fair Videos](#). This series will include videos from the Safety Councils below, totalling approximately 2 hours of viewing time. Teachers can access videos individually so they can incorporate each message into lessons according to their timeline.

Work Safe Saskatchewan

Sask. Safety Association

Motor Safety Association

SGI – Young Drivers

Service Hospitality

Sask. Construction Safety Association

Energy Safety Canada


OTHER INFORMATION: OLD STUFF

- Have a look at the great information from the [Saskatchewan Mining Association](#), including [career posters](#) in the mining industry. As well, check out the reference materials (also available in French), potash kits, lesson plans, career videos about a variety of career possibilities and other great information about the mining industry in Saskatchewan and across the country.
- If you are interested in a presentation for students from Service Canada for things like Social Insurance Number clinics, Student Loans, Apprenticeship Loans and Grants, financial literacy, and career planning in general, contact [Sylvie Gauthier](#) (639-538-2738).

- [VR 4 Careers in SK Virtual Reality](#) is led by the [Regina Work Prep Centre](#). These people were at the Career Fair in Assiniboia doing the virtual reality activities. If you wish to have them come to your school to present and have students try out the virtual reality options including mining machine, electrician, welder, heavy equipment operator, HVAC tech, robotics tech, mining engineer, and process engineer. Contact [Eric Milos](#) to book them for your school.
- [Regina District Industry Education Council \(RDIEC\)](#) and [Saskatoon Industry and Education Council \(SIEC\)](#) are excellent resources for career education teachers and counsellors. RDIEC is working on a number of events where students can learn about a variety of different occupations.
- Teachers and Career Counsellors, try out [Wayfinder](#), a collection of over 300 reflective practice resources to enhance career development with experiential learning.

Post- Secondary Information

UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:

- With March 15 being the deadline for U of R awards, plan to attend a [Scholarship Application Workshop](#) on Feb. 7 and 23 (online) and Feb. 15 and Mar. 7 (in person in Regina).
 - If you are a parent or guardian of a potential U of R student, sign up for the [Parent Newsletter](#) here.
 - Take the [New and Improved Virtual Campus Tour](#).
 - If you choose to take the [bilingual nursing program through La Cite](#), you are eligible for an additional \$33 000 in scholarships, as well as a **\$10 000 entrance scholarship** if you apply by Feb. 15, 2024.
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- Are you a grade 12 interested in taking a university class while you're still in semester two of high school? [HSXL Registration](#) began for Winter 2024 on Oct. 13. There is a little bit of space left in the French and Indigenous Studies 100. This will allow you to get a head start on your university experience. You can earn a credit for a class in gr. 12 and university at the same time, free up your schedule in your first year of university, explore your interests before you pick a program, and start networking with university professors early.
 - The U of R has a bunch of materials for viewing and/or printing [here](#). From admission and parent info to stuff for counsellors and specific one- or two-page documents that explain programs within each faculty, there is a wealth of good info available.
 - Check out the [Centre for Experiential and Service Learning](#). It allows you the opportunity for hands-on learning in and out of the classroom, credit for hands-on learning as part of your program, potentially paid co-op work terms, student-run volunteer centre to help you find more service opportunities in the community, training before you volunteer to provide confidence, goal setting and self assessments, career guidance, and resume writing and job interview skill building.
 - If you are a career counsellor, teacher, or administrator interested in having an in person visit from U of R admissions personnel, the contact person for Prairie South is [Yvone Broqueza](#) to book. 306-585-5274.
 - The [OMA Program](#) is designed to provide first-year Indigenous students with a supportive learning environment. Contact the [ta-tawâw Student Centre](#) for more information.
 - In February 2024, students can enrol in the following dual credit options: English 100/ELA B30, Indigenous Studies 100/Native Studies 30

- Check out the new engineering program, [Energy Systems Engineering](#). It is closely related to Petroleum, Sustainable Energy, and Energy Transportation and Storage Engineering.
- Prospective students can use this [Application Guide](#) to assist in providing information about the application process, admission requirements and application deadlines for each program.
- Students can take many courses in their own communities or from their homes through the [Flexible Learning Division fall courses](#).

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:

- [Admissions and program presentations](#) will take place online on Jan. 25 and Mar. 7.
- [Ask a Current Student online chat](#) will be Jan. 29.
- [Scholarship info sessions](#) will be Feb. 1 and Feb. 8.
- [USask Express Application Workshops](#) will be Feb. 6 and Feb. 13.
- [Learn English at USask sessions](#) will be Feb. 22 and 23 and will provide information about the English for Academic Purposes program.




- [Schulich Leader Scholarships](#) are due January 30.
- The [Bachelor of Science in Nursing](#) (BSN) 1 + 3 program will be available in additional Saskatchewan communities starting September 2024. Students will continue to take 10 pre-professional year courses at USask, University of Regina, and regional colleges throughout Saskatchewan, but starting fall 2024, students will have the option to complete the following three years of nursing theory and practice learning in North Battleford and Lloydminster. The complete USask BSN program will be offered in Ile-a-la-Crosse, La Ronge, Lloydminster, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Saskatoon, and Yorkton. Visit the [College of Nursing admissions page](#) to learn more about this expanded offering and to review the admissions requirements for students applying into nursing for September 2024. Applications are now open.
- [The After \(Business\) School Special](#) is a podcast about what business professionals, industry leaders, entrepreneurs, and more have learned since finishing their business degree. Each episode welcomes an Edwards alumnus to discuss the stories, key learnings, and insights they've gained throughout their professional career.
- [Chat with USask](#) are 20-minute appointments with university representatives from 6:00-8:00 on Wednesdays and 1:00-3:00 on Fridays. Ask questions about admission requirements, scholarships, residence, or anything else university related.
- [Application for Residence](#) is now open. [Sign in Here](#) to begin the application process. First-year students who apply before January 31, 2024 are guaranteed a spot in Voyageur Place.
- The [College of Agriculture and Bioresources](#) is excited to announce a new admission pathway for the [Indigenous Lands Governance](#) and [Indigenous Resource Management](#) diplomas. Students can now enter the diplomas in the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy program directly from high school. Previously, the two diplomas required completion of the [Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate](#) for admission. Both diplomas prepare students for leadership roles in local, provincial and national settings. More info is available in this [article](#) and [video](#). There is also a [downloadable display screen](#) you can use with your schools. Questions? Contact agbio.studentservices@usask.ca.

- [Learning Communities at Edwards School of Business](#) will help students be more successful in their first year by building community and meeting new people, getting to know the campus, and developing skills to succeed as a university student. Check out the [Counsellor Resources](#) for more info to help students.
- Teachers and counsellors who wish to book a tour for your class, may do so by contacting [Admissions](#).
- [Campus tours](#) are on. [Click here](#) to book 90 minute in-person tours conducted by current students who can tell you what life is like at the U of S. You can also book group or guided online tours. There are also tours of residences and colleges.
- The College of Agriculture and Bioresources announced two new programs. One is the [Bachelor of Science in Food Industry Management](#) which provides interdisciplinary training in food science, agribusiness, and marketing. Students will learn advanced knowledge of food science, agri-food economics, food management practices, and food industry policy to prepare them for jobs in the agri-food sector. The other program is the [Certificate in Precision Agriculture](#), which is designed to allow students to gain knowledge and develop experiential skills in precision ag by leveraging skills from their academic discipline. Students will learn about technologies used in precision ag (satellite imagery, GPS) to measure and manage variability in crop production.
- Are you interested in how bodies work at the cellular level and how to apply this knowledge in health care for patients? Did you know there are five biomedical science degree programs? [Click here for more information.](#)
- Interested in the [Edwards School of Business](#)?
 - Take a [virtual tour](#) for a good look at where you may attend school.
 - [Have a chat](#) with an advisor, current student, or alum.
 - Counsellors, contact [Alexandria Werenka](#) for a classroom presentation to learn of the opportunities available at Edwards.
- [Counsellors and Agents' Hub](#) provides information for teachers and counsellors about admissions, upcoming events, promotional materials, advising guide, resources for students, sign up to receive emails and updates, and much more.
- [Drop-in Q and A Wednesdays](#) are held for students interested in applying to undergraduate programs in Ag. And Bioresources, Arts and Science, Education, Engineering, and Business.
- The U of S [Calendar of upcoming events](#) includes all the events in which the university will be participating in the upcoming months.

[SOUTHEAST COLLEGE](#)


- With campuses in Weyburn, Estevan, Whitewood and Moosomin, [Southeast College](#) can offer a variety of programs including Business Admin. Assistant, Electrician, Early Childhood Education, Welding, Food Services Cook, Hairstylist, Health Care Cook, Heavy Equipment Truck and Transport Tech., Practical Nursing, Industrial Mechanic, Plumbing and Pipefitting, and Continuing Care Assistant. The benefits include small class sizes living closer to home, lower application fee and seat deposit than other places, modern facilities and equipment, lower tuition, and great scholarships. You can also take a general first year of classes from the University of Regina (English, Biology, Sociology, Psychology among others).

OLDS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY

- A new 4 month certificate called [Indoor Agriculture](#) is available for fall 2024. Learn principles of using, maintaining, and calibrating vertical farming, hydroponic and other indoor growing systems. 
- Registration is now open for Webinar Wednesdays. Learn more about numerous programs and important information: Jan 17: [Hospitality, Brewmaster, Business/Sport Business Management](#), Jan 24: [Agriculture Technology](#), Jan 31: [Agriculture](#), Feb 7: [Horticulture & Environment](#), Feb 13: [How to Apply](#), Feb 14: [Transitional Employment](#), Feb 21: [Animal Health & Equine](#), Feb 28: [Trades & Meat Processing](#).
- Save the date: May 15 will be the Spring Open House (Discover Day) on campus in Olds. Stay tuned for more information.
- [Take a Virtual Campus Tour here](#).

- [Agriculture Communications Certificate](#) is the first of its kind in Canada and prepares students for a meaningful career supporting the agriculture and agri-food industry in communications and marketing.
- The [New Program Sneak Peek Webinar](#) is available for those counsellors who missed out on it earlier.
- If you wish to book a campus tour, [click here](#) and complete the form.

SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC:

- [Women In Trades Exploratory Events](#) are held in Moose Jaw, Regina, Saskatoon and Prince Albert. Try out a number of different trades and other programs (carpentry, auto body, automotive service, millwright, welding, electrical, commercial pilot, parts management, plumbing, heavy duty truck and transport technician, refrigeration and air conditioning mechanic, sheet metal worker, machining, to try out. 
- [Book a Campus Tour](#) to learn more about a potential place you'd like to attend.
- May 1 is the date of the next Robot Rumble at the Saskatoon Campus. Save the date.

- Students can register now for Introduction to Business (BUS 104) or Introduction to Sport Management (MGMT 108), starting in January 2024. **Both classes are free (no tuition)**. The Intro to Business requires you to pay for a textbook. That's it. Earn high school credits while starting on their journey toward a Business Diploma. Visit saskpolytech.ca or email [Twyla Verhelst](#) or [Stephen Kirzinger](#) to learn more.
- Students can graduate with a two-year Business Diploma, block transfer all of those credits to the U of R, U of S, or other institutions to complete their business degree in two more years, **all while saving more than \$8,000 in tuition**, as many of the classes are considerably cheaper at Sask. Polytechnic than they are in university.
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- Undecided about what to do at Sask. Poly? Check out the [Program Explorer](#). It takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and provides a list of programs for students to investigate based on answers to questions about their interests, skills, natural talents and values. The results page provides a summary of programs which may be a good fit and lets you print, share, or get in touch with advisors for further assistance.
- [Supports for Success](#) are available to students to assist in ensuring they do well at Sask. Poly. There are welcome week events, support for new students, and numerous resources for students who may need help in all kinds of areas including wellness, how to be successful in school, career counselling, budgeting, and more.
- [Agriculture and Food Production](#) (Moose Jaw), [Culinary Arts](#) (now offered in Prince Albert, Regina, and Saskatoon) [Hotel and Restaurant Management](#) (now offered in Saskatoon and Regina) are three new or new programs in certain campuses.
- If you already have some post-secondary education or courses in a variety of areas, [Get Credit for What You Know](#) by checking into the [dual credit options here](#).
- If you are interested in acquiring some microcredentials, check out [Surge Micro-credentials](#) offered by Sask. Polytechnic. These short courses include offering in business, education, technology, and entrepreneurship. What are microcredentials? These offer certification in a specific job or skill such as small business taxes, Indigenous leadership, or artificial intelligence. Additional [micro-credentials](#) are also available.
- Interested in taking some classes part-time? Sign up for [Flexible Learning Courses](#).
- Want to have a look at where you might be going to school? Check out the [virtual tours here](#).

[UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA](#)

- Apply to our entrance scholarship competition. We use one application for all awards. The application-based [scholarship](#) deadline is January 10, 2024. You must apply to the U of A before you apply for scholarships.
- Grade 11s can apply until Jan. 31 for [U of A Getaway](#). Stay in residence and tour the facility, and learn about university life on May 24-26.
- With U of A applications now open, students should initiate their application on [uab.ca/apply](#) directly, not through ApplyAlberta. For grade submissions, students must self-report all final grade 11 marks, and final grade 12 marks, and any grade 12 courses they are currently taking as “In Progress” and any grade 12 courses they are planning to take as “Planning to Take.” We do not require Ministry requested transcripts until the end of the year.
- The School of Dentistry is now offering a direct-entry 10-month Dental Assistant Certificate where students will participate in both internal clinical assisting components in the School of Dentistry Oral Health Clinic and an external practicum in a dental office. This is a great opportunity to receive hands-on experience and learn alongside future Dentists and Dental Hygienists. More information can be found [here](#).
- Parents and students interested in more information about the University of Alberta can [click here](#) to order resources, viewbooks, and more.

- Request school visits by clicking [here](#).
- Check out [counsellor webpage](#) for recently updated resources and helpful info to begin the school year.
- Book campus tours [here](#).
- Click on the link to register for a [Prospective Student Advising](#) session to have questions answered.
- The [Digital Viewbook](#) features a dozen videos, direct links to helpful webpages, and current student profiles.
- There are several update workshops for counsellors, teachers, or administrators. [Register here](#). Or sign up to receive email newsletters.

MOUNT ROYAL UNIVERSITY

- [Guidance Counsellors & Educators](#) can schedule admissions and recruitment specialist services. Book sessions where students can learn about the programs best suited to them and their personality, as well as learn about admission requirements and application process.

COLLEGE MATHIEU

- Interested in a bilingual or fully French education? College Mathieu offers several programs in Gravelbourg, Saskatoon, Regina, and online, including business, specialized educational assistant, early childhood education, welding, occupational therapy assistant, physiotherapy assistant, continuing care assistant, practical nursing, and event planning. [Click here](#) for a link to the programs.

GREAT PLAINS COLLEGE

- If you'd like to book a presentation (virtual or in-person) for your school or an individual class, please email behere@greatplainscollege.ca or call Keely at (306) 741-1049.
- The presentation includes information on programs, courses, application process, awards, and scholarship opportunities at GPC. There are opportunities for students to ask questions and win prizes.
- There are many new [Cybersecurity Programs](#), all available online and at all levels of experience.
- Students can make an appointment for an [Advising Session](#) with a GPC student advisor.
- [Take a Virtual Tour or Webinar](#) to learn more about the campus or specific programs at GPC. There are numerous archived webinars on a wide variety of topics.

ST. PETER'S COLLEGE:

- Did you know you can take all U of S first-year programs at St. Peter's (at Muenster, near Humboldt)? Instead of being in a first-year class with 300-500 students, how about a class of 12? As well, you can stack your U of S scholarships on top of potentially some of the over \$100,000 available just to St. Peter's students. Consider St. Peter's College. Counsellors, teachers, and principals can [book a tour or request information](#).

[SOUTHERN ALBERTA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY \(SAIT\)](#)

- For information about the programs available to students, attend the numerous [Information Sessions \(sait.ca\)](#) being held in the upcoming weeks and months. Also have a look at the many [On Demand](#) information sessions archived on the site to allow you to make informed decisions about the program that's right for you.

[UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE:](#)

- [ULethbridge Counsellor Resource Guide](#) is updated and available online.
- Take a [University of Lethbridge Virtual Tour](#) to learn more about the main campus, Calgary campus, and on-campus housing.

[UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY](#)

- [Upcoming Events](#) is a list of a dozen virtual information sessions on a wide range of faculties in the university including medicine, science, social work, education, nursing, kinesiology, business, architecture, and more.
- Check out the campus by booking a [Campus Tour](#).
- Learn about all that the U of C has to offer with a [webinar](#) that explains a bunch of information that will be helpful to you in learning about application processes, programs, clubs, extra-curricular activities, and campus life.
- There are two new majors: Bachelor of Science in [Data Science](#) and a Bachelor of Science in [Physics Engineering](#).
- [Discover UCalgary](#) is the new official app for prospective undergraduate students at the University of Calgary. Access our guide for Open House or explore the UCalgary campus with our self-guided walking tour. The app can be used on campus or remotely to explore from your home. Within the app, you will also find important resources and discounts to enhance the in-person experience for those students who wish to explore with us at an upcoming event or campus tour.
- Career counsellors and teachers who wish to learn more about the U of C can [click here](#) to sign up and get more information for students.
- Check out their [Future students tours and events](#) to learn more about the university.
- If you are interested in the U of C, have a look at their [video for Saskatchewan students](#).
- Counsellors, teachers, administrators can [book a recruiter](#) to come to your school.

[MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE:](#)

- If you have questions, we have the answers. MHC is introducing a Counsellor Hotline to give our counsellors direct access to admission information. If you have questions directly related to program admission, please call our new admissions hotline at 403-529-3827 for assistance.
- MHC will be hosting STEM for a Day events on April 29-May 2. Learn more about such programs as Power Engineering, University Science, Information Technology, and Built Environment Engineering Technology. Keep an eye out for more information.
- Contact MHC if you want to be a Student for a Day. These will be scheduled on a case-by-case basis. Email info@mhc.ab.ca.
- Applications are open for Fall 2024. Use [ApplyAlberta](#) to apply.

- If you wish to be a Student for a Day, contact info@mhc.ab.ca to book a day. Check out the residence, campus, and programs available, meet instructors and students, and enjoy a free lunch.
- Counsellors can schedule a presentation for grade 11 and/or grade 12 students. Contact [Alison Clark](#) or [Holly Cavanagh](#).
- Check out MHC's [Sustainable Innovation Program](#). The two-year program is designed for change makers who are excited about challenging existing standards and propelling ideas to positively impact communities and society.

SASKATCHEWAN CAREER COLLEGES

- [Career Colleges](#), also known as private vocational schools, offer over 160 vocational training programs in Saskatchewan to prepare students for employment in a specific occupation such as business, health services, fashion, esthetics, hairstyling, and more. These schools are privately owned and operated but must be registered with the Ministry of Advanced Education and have approval of the programs they offer.

SASKATCHEWAN REGIONAL COLLEGES

- There are seven regional colleges across the province. They offer numerous post-secondary opportunities including trades (the same program offered by Sask. Polytechnic) and university classes (from the University of Saskatchewan and University of Regina), in addition to personal interest programs and courses. Often, these programs are not filled as quickly as Sask. Polytechnic programs. The regional colleges and head offices include:
 - [Carlton Trail College](#)--Humboldt
 - [Northlands College](#)--La Ronge/Air Ronge
 - [Great Plains College](#)--Swift Current
 - [Suncrest College](#)—(Yorkton and Melfort--merger of former Parkland and [Cumberland College](#))
 - [North West College](#)--The Battlefords
 - [Southeast College](#)--Weyburn

Upcoming Events

Jan. 8	Deadline to register for free Sask. Poly AutoCAD course. Contact Shawn Young .
Jan. 10	Deadline to apply for U of A scholarships
Jan. 17	Olds College Webinar Hospitality, Brewmaster, Business/Sport Business Management
Jan. 24	Olds College Webinar Agriculture Technology
Jan. 25	U of S Admissions and program presentations
Jan. 26	Student SaskMoneyMinute deadline (Sem. 1 and past Financial Lit. students)
Jan. 29	U of S Ask a Current Student online chat

Jan. 30	Schulich Leader Scholarships are due
Jan. 31	Olds College Webinar Agriculture
Jan. 31	Deadline to apply for U of S Residence for first year students to be guaranteed a residence spot.
Feb. 1, 8	U of S Scholarship info sessions
Feb. 7	Olds College Webinar Horticulture & Environment
Feb. 6, 13	U of S USask Express Application Workshops
Feb. 7, 23	Scholarship Application Workshop (online)
Feb. 13	Olds College Webinar How to Apply
Feb. 14	Olds College Webinar Transitional Employment
Feb. 15 Mar. 7	Scholarship Application Workshop (in person in Regina)
Feb. 21	Olds College Webinar Animal Health & Equine
Feb. 22, 23	U of S Learn English at USask sessions
Feb. 28	Olds College Webinar Trades & Meat Processing
Jan. 10	U of A scholarship deadline
Apr. 29- May 2	Medicine Hat College STEM For a Day Events.
May 1	Sask Polytech Robot Rumble
Jun. 21	Student SaskMoneyMinute deadline (Sem. 2 Financial Lit. students)

Scholarships, Loans, and Financial Planning

Did you know that **\$10 million** in scholarships **goes unclaimed** each year in Canada?

Sign up with scholarship aggregators such as [Scholar Tree](#), [Student Awards](#), [Scholarships Canada](#), [Scholarships.com](#), and [Atila](#). [99 Scholarships](#) allows you to apply for scholarships based on your passions rather than on marks. Register with the organization to access many different scholarships and receive emails about upcoming scholarships.

[mycampusGPS](#) is a resource to assist students with numerous issues related to scholarships, post-secondary planning, how to be successful after grade 12, and more. Some of these resources are free and some require payment.

[Canada Student Grants and Loans – What student grants and loans offer](#) will provide information on applying for student loans. Saskatchewan residents will want to look at our [Saskatchewan section](#) when looking to apply. The [Government of Canada Scholarships](#) website has a lot of great information and scholarships. Please contact studentservices@gov.sk.ca or call 1-800-597-8278 for more information.

The [Scholarships and Loans](#) section of the PSSD website has some documents to assist you in your scholarship search such as scholarship cover letter examples, a downloadable organizer, and financial/scholarship information including:

- [Post-Secondary Finances](#)
- [Scholarship Search Engines](#)
- [Post-Secondary Institution Scholarship Links](#)

[Relevance Magazine 2023](#) is available as a digital download. On page 18 you will find many scholarships. Links to these scholarships are available for easy access.

If you are Metis, you may be able to access significant scholarship opportunities. The [Gabriel Dumont Institute](#) offers numerous scholarships for those who are registered with the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan or have an application in progress. To begin the process of registration for Metis Nation-Saskatchewan citizenship, [click here](#). You can also contact the [New Southern Plains Metis Local #160](#) in Moose Jaw where you can have in-person help to acquire Metis Nation Citizenship. Or you can call Darrell at 306-631-6058 or Lorna at 306-631-7438.

The [Education Planning and Student Aid](#) page from the Federal Government provides useful tools for students and parents to access regarding planning for an education, saving, budget, and exploring student aid and career options.

Upcoming Scholarships

Dec. 31 (yearly)	Full Ride- Student Life Network	\$35, 000	→ Be a member of the Student Life Network. → Open an eligible CIBC student account.
N/A	TC Energy Scholarships	Various	→ Enrolled in post-secondary institution for upcoming school year. → Permanent resident of Canada → Located in a community near TransCanada’s projects. → Would benefit from supplementary education funding
All Year (check website for specific dates)	CWB Welding Foundation Awards	Various Amounts Apply early as funds are limited.	→ Must be accepted into a full-time welding program for post-secondary. → Online form, references, transcript → Letter of recommendation relating to welding activities. → 500-word essay

The 20 th day of each month.	<u>LA Tutors 123 Scholarship</u>	\$500 every month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must have 80%+ average. → Must have designed an innovative project that makes a difference in the lives of others and write an essay describing the goal of the project. → Must also include letter of recommendation and photo.
Nov. 1 Aug. 1 Feb. 1	<u>Indspire Awards: Building Brighter Futures</u>	Various amounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → These bursaries and scholarships are for Indigenous students. → Students can apply for various financial awards depending on their area of study.
Feb. 1 Apr. 30	<u>Masterfeeds Scholarships</u>	\$200 X 2 (ages 8-11) \$500 X 2 (ages 12-17) \$1000 X 2 (ages 17-19)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → See website for criteria for \$200 and \$500 prizes. → For \$1000 prize, students must be going into ag-related program. → Write essay on future plans in ag. → Must display integrity, volunteerism, and leadership
Oct. 30 June 30	<u>Distance 360 Education Scholarship</u>	\$1000	→ 1500-word essay required.
Dec. 31	<u>Instant Record Check Scholarship Program</u>	\$500	→ 300-word essay on a variety of topics
Dec. 31	<u>Fido Scholarship</u>	\$2500	→ Complete online entry.
Dec. 31	<u>Instant Record Check Scholarship</u>	\$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Currently enrolled in or accepted to a full-time undergraduate or graduate program in an accredited Canadian university, college, or school → Write an essay.
Dec. 31	<u>Jungle Scout Scholarship</u>	\$2500	→ Create a 3-minute video of your self describing a plan to bring innovation to ecommerce
Jan. 5	<u>Canadian Angus Foundation Legacy Scholarship</u>	\$5000 \$3000 \$2000 \$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must be a member of Canadian Junior Angus, in grade 12 or already enrolled in a post-secondary program. → Write an essay on educational program and career goals.
Jan. 8	<u>Dalton Camp Award</u>	\$10 000 \$2500	→ Write an essay on the link between democracy and the media in Canada.
Jan. 14	<u>SARM Scholarship</u>	\$1500 x 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must be in grade 12 or have completed high school within the last two years. → Must have a farming background and have parents who own or rent land and pay tax to a rural municipality. → Complete an online form and write an essay on a choice of topics.
Jan. 15	<u>Grammarly Product Review Contest</u>	\$500	→ Download a free version of Grammarly, use it to edit a paragraph, and submit.

Jan. 31	<u>Schulich Leader Scholarship</u>	\$60,000 & \$80,000 (over 4 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → For students planning to study Technology, Engineering, Entrepreneurship and Business, Applied Scientific Research (see list of <u>eligible post-secondary schools</u>). → U of S eligible Colleges: Engineering, Arts and Science, Agriculture and Bioresources. → Must be nominated by school representative. → Must possess academic excellence, leadership, charisma, and creativity
Jan. 31	<u>3M National Student Fellowship</u>	\$5000 x 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Leadership
Jan. 31	<u>Dick Martin Scholarship Award</u>	\$3,000 x 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must be enrolled in an Occupational Health and Safety related course leading to an OH&S certificate/diploma/degree. → 1,000-word essay required.
Jan. 31	<u>Energy Rates</u>	\$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Write an essay on any topic about energy in the world of tomorrow—green energy, oil politics, nuclear power. What do you think people will be reading about in the news in a few years?
Jan. 31	<u>Mensa Canada Scholarships</u>	Varies from \$2000 - \$3000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → A 250-word essay about your career plan is required and a description of relevant experience and the difficulties you have overcome in pursuit of your goal.
Feb. 1	<u>Hal Rogers Endowment Fund</u> (Kin Canada Bursaries)	\$1000 (number of winners varies. Usually 30 or more yearly.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must be graduating from high school or currently in a registered post-secondary institution. → Complete application form and submit to the Kinsmen, Kinette or Kin Club closest to their permanent residence by Feb. 1. → Will be evaluated on their community and school involvement, knowledge of Kin Canada and financial need
Mar. 1	<u>Saskatchewan Agriculture Student Scholarship</u>	\$6,000 x 1 \$3,000 x 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Plan to take an agriculture-related program. → Submit a video or essay based on topics surrounding agriculture and sustainability. → For some inspiration, check out the <u>Peterson Brothers' YouTube Channel</u>, <u>thinkAG Career Profiles</u>, <u>The Real Dirt on Farming</u>, and <u>AgriPathways</u>.

Mar. 15	<u>Queen's Diamond Jubilee Scholarship</u> <u>The Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall Scholarship</u>	\$1000 x 6 \$500 x 20	→ For Grade 12 students who are at risk of not succeeding in their first post-secondary year due to financial burdens and vulnerable circumstances. * → For Grade 11 students living with vulnerable circumstances to assist them in completing their grade 12 education. * → *Administrators and school leadership teams nominate students who are at risk of not completing high school. Please talk to them about this scholarship.
Apr. 30	<u>The Leonard Foundation Financial Assistance Program</u>	\$1000 to \$1500 x 100	→ Must be in a full-time undergraduate program and participate regularly in athletic or military activities. Potential for leadership required. → All applicants will be considered, preference given to children of ordained clergy, teachers, and Canadian military.
Mar. 31	<u>Cara Brown Ringette Scholarship</u>	\$1500 x 2	→ Must play ringette at a AA or higher level, academic excellence
N/A	<u>Unilever Voices for Change Award</u>	\$1000 and \$1000 gift card	→ Complete online form.
N/A	<u>The Fred VanVleet Scholarship</u>	\$57,800	→ Must have applied to the Rotman Commerce program at the University of Toronto. → For a Black or Indigenous student. → Based on financial need.
Sept. 1 2024	<u>ERA Scholarship for \$1 Million</u> (website has not yet been updated for this year)	\$1 million x 1 \$100,000 x 1	→ Collect one million laptops, smart phones, tablets, computers, or other devices to receive \$1,000,000. → Collect 100,000 devices to receive \$100,000.