



POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Name	Program Implementation		
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See the related [PROCEDURES](#).

PURPOSE

Saskatchewan Polytechnic provides programs of study to meet the needs of stakeholders. Decisions regarding program implementation follow a defined process to ensure quality and accountability, and balance the interests of stakeholders.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all credit programs.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Saskatchewan Polytechnic will provide a variety of program offerings that meet emerging and ongoing industry needs, developed in a timely manner, and delivered as sustainable and viable.
2. Program implementation decisions will be made via established standards of evidence and procedures.

POLICY

Saskatchewan Polytechnic follows defined procedures for the implementation of programs based on strategic alignment, evidence of demand, resources required and quality standards. Programs will be developed and approved according to established viability and quality assurance standards internal to Saskatchewan Polytechnic, and external ministry requirements, accreditation standards and degree authorization requirements. Approval levels, as defined in Policy 101 Academic Authorities Grid, ensure institutional resources are used appropriately and risk is mitigated.

DEFINITIONS

Program is a defined set of credit courses and other requirements leading to a credential in a specific field of study. Definitions and requirements of credentials are contained in the Credential Qualification Framework.

Implementation is the decision and development process leading to delivery of a new program.

RELATED POLICIES/DOCUMENTS

101 Academic Authorities Grid

114 Credentials

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION OR REGULATIONS

Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act (2014)

Degree Authorization Act (2012)