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## Sask Polytech opens retail meat counter

*Students from the Prince Albert campus Retail Meat Specialist program put skills to use*

**February 3, 2016** – Starting today students, staff and the public can visit the Saskatchewan Polytechnic retail meat counter at the Prince Albert campus cafeteria. Students from Sask Polytech’s Retail Meat Specialist applied certificate program are putting their new skills to work, offering a changing selection of meat cuts, sausages, bacon, ham and oven-ready meals.

“Saskatchewan Polytechnic is excited to open its Prince Albert campus retail meat counter,” says Garry Whitley, Continuing Education consultant. “This is an exciting opportunity for students and the community to benefit from the hands-on programming Sask Polytech is known for. All funds raised from meat sales will go directly back into the program.”

Event: Sask Polytech retail meat counter  
Opening: February 3, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.  
Ongoing: Tuesday – Friday from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.  
February 3, 2016 – June 3, 2016  
Location: Prince Albert Campus  
Technical Building Cafeteria

The Retail Meat Specialist applied certificate is the first step to becoming a journey person meat cutter. In this 22-week program, students develop the skills to become a successful meat cutter. Areas of study include food safety, muscle and skeletal structures, as well as preparation of pork, beef, lamb and poultry. Other topics include curing and smoking meats, merchandising seafood, value-added oven-ready products and sanitation.

Saskatchewan Polytechnic serves 27,000 distinct students through applied learning opportunities at campuses in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon, and through extensive distance education opportunities. Programs serve every economic and public service sector. As a polytechnic, the organization provides the depth of learning appropriate to employer and student need, including certificate, diploma and degree programs, and apprenticeship training. Saskatchewan Polytechnic engages in applied research, drawing on faculty expertise to support innovation by employers, and providing students the opportunity to develop critical thinking skills.

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