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At a glance

International students



Saskatchewan, Canada



Learn more about
Saskatchewan



Saskatchewan is one of the fastest growing populations in Canada and is a destination with opportunity. Our economy is diverse, our quality of life is excellent and our educational standards are high.

Saskatchewan's unemployment rate is amongst the lowest in Canada (5.5% in 2024).*

The province has seen record population, employment, investment and export growth in the past decade.*

Saskatchewan has a mixed, urban and rural population. Though the majority live in its four major cities, Saskatchewan's smaller communities offer opportunities in many of Saskatchewan's key economic growth sectors.

*Source: saskatchewan.ca



"I'm really excited about combining my two chosen program areas. Sask Polytech has given me the tools and knowledge to pursue this unique career path confidently."

Tran Thi Lam from Vietnam Alumna of the Supply Chain Management post-graduate certificate program and Health Care Cook certificate program





Moose Jaw

Moose Jaw campus
 • 2,900+ students
 • 34,700 m²



Prince Albert

Prince Albert campus
 • 1,700+ students
 • 24,600 m²



Regina

Regina campus
 • 4,200+ students
 • 42,600 m²



Saskatoon

Saskatoon campus
 • 6,400+ students
 • 87,800 m²

Graduate Retention Program

The Graduate Retention Program (GRP) provides a tax credit for graduates who live and file an income tax return in Saskatchewan after graduation. Students can receive up to \$20,000 of their tuition back in the form of a tax credit.



Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program

The Saskatchewan government is actively trying to attract young people to the province and has progressively introduced new pathways.



Health benefits

If you are an international student temporarily residing in Saskatchewan to further your education, you may be eligible for Saskatchewan health coverage.



Rural and Francophone Community Immigration Pilot

This community program is designed to spread the benefits of economic immigration to smaller communities by creating a path to permanent residency for skilled foreign workers who want to work and live in one of the participating communities, including Moose Jaw.



Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Come to Saskatchewan Polytechnic for our internationally recognized technical and skills training. With our consistently high graduate employment rate and a global reputation for innovative, industry-focused programming, Saskatchewan Polytechnic can help you excel in your future career.



Grads are in demand

96%* employment rate within six months to one year of graduation.



Many program options

Saskatchewan Polytechnic offers degree, diploma, certificate and post-graduate certificate programs for international students.



Program bundles

Certain programs at Saskatchewan Polytech are offered as bundles. These bundles (or program packages) combine one-year certificates to make for a two-year term of study. With one application you can apply and be accepted into two programs. Learn more at saskpolytech.ca/bundles.



Strong industry connection

91%* of employers would hire a Saskatchewan Polytechnic grad again.



Learn by doing

Approximately two-thirds of our programs offer a work-integrated learning component to gain real-world experience.



Strength in applied research

Faculty encourage and support students to partner with business, industry and the community on applied research projects that provide real-world solutions to today's challenges. Learn more at saskpolytech.ca/research.

Student supports

We've got the supports you need—wherever you are in your education journey. Our wide range of student services that include learning and employment services, student engagement, and accessibility services will help to make your student life a great experience.

Learn more about life in Canada and international student support at saskpolytech.ca/internationalstudentguide.

*Source: Quick Facts (saskpolytech.ca)



“I chose Sask Polytech for the practical, hands-on learning.”

Timibra from Nigeria
Alumnus of the Machinist certificate program



Cost of living

The average international student in Saskatchewan will spend approximately \$1,500 - \$2,200/month.



Housing

~\$600 - \$900 per bedroom/month
(does not include content insurance).



Transportation

~\$45 - \$75/month for student bus pass.
\$3/individual bus trip.



Utilities

Electricity, water, heating, internet **~\$250/month**



Telephone

~ \$80 - \$100/month



Groceries

~ \$250/month



Entertainment

Depends on your lifestyle.
\$12 - movie ticket,
\$20 - \$30 restaurant meal

Saskatchewan's growth sectors



HOSPITALITY



NATURAL
RESOURCES



MINING,
ENGINEERING AND
TECHNOLOGY



AGRICULTURE
AND AGRI-FOOD



EDUCATION AND
HEALTHCARE



TRADES AND
TRANSPORT



Saskatchewan's Growth Plan for 2020 - 2030

- ✓ grow the population to 1.4 million people
- ✓ create 100,000 new jobs
- ✓ increase exports by 50 percent
- ✓ invest \$30 billion in infrastructure

Known for agriculture, mining and gas, Saskatchewan is seeing significant growth in natural resources, educational services, hospitality, engineering technology and healthcare, as outlined in the province's Growth Plan.

Read more about Saskatchewan's growth sectors and industry labour demand.



Polytechnic education

Supporting Saskatchewan from the ground up

Saskatchewan Polytechnic is Saskatchewan's only polytechnic and one of 13 leading research-intensive publicly supported polytechnics and institutes of technology in Canada.

Close ties to business and industry are what make the polytechnic talent pipeline dynamic and responsive.

Definition:

poly-tech-nic noun A technical training enterprise that offers appropriate credentials in applied fields, including degrees, apprenticeship training, diplomas and certificates; is industry responsive; and supports economic development through applied research.



Strength in academic offerings

Our programs are all guided by **Program Advisory Committees (PACs)**, made up of experts from the employment sectors our programs serve. These industry insiders have a strong understanding of labour market demand and are invested in ensuring that Saskatchewan Polytechnic helps to meet it. In essence, we exist because our graduates are needed!



Strength in industry connections

Polytechnics introduce students to real-world experiences both inside and outside of the classroom. **Learn by doing with hands-on opportunities** through labs, clinicals, field investigations, outdoor camps, machinery time, workplace practicums and/or co-op work terms. We partner with business, industry and the community on applied research projects.



Strength in applied research

Co-op education is a great way to help finance your education. In 2023, co-operative education students at Sask Polytech earned an average of \$23.26/hour and total earnings average of \$15,895.57 per 4-month work term.



“The co-op program at Sask Polytech is an invaluable opportunity for me to gain real-world experience. This will enhance my understanding of how things work in practice but also allow me to build a network of industry contacts.”

Jigna Gamit from India
Student in the Electrical Engineering Technology diploma program



Our faculties and schools

Sask Polytech has four faculties with 11 schools that cover a wide range of subject areas, from health sciences to trades and technology, education and hospitality to community services. All schools work hard to ensure our Sask Polytech graduates are prepared to meet the market demands upon graduation and completion of our programs. Our grads are in demand!

Faculty of Business and Management

School of Business and Entrepreneurship
School of Hospitality, Tourism and Applied Aesthetics

Within the Faculty of Business and Management stands the School of Business and Entrepreneurship and the School of Hospitality, Tourism and Applied Aesthetics, each a beacon of innovation and excellence in the post-secondary landscape. Our faculty's commitment to fostering a dynamic learning environment built upon applied and work-integrated learning, academic and professional excellence, and applied research, creates the perfect learning environment for aspiring leaders, influencers and innovators.

Faculty of Digital Innovation, Arts and Sciences

School of Computing and Digital Innovation
School of Creative Media, Arts and Sciences

Schools within the Faculty of Digital Innovation, Arts and Sciences are dedicated to equipping you with the skills and knowledge necessary to excel in the fast-paced world of technology. Our programs offer a blend of theoretical foundations and hands-on experience, preparing you for a dynamic career in fields such as software development, cybersecurity, artificial intelligence and data analytics.



“This program gave me the skills to fit perfectly in this technology driven world.”

Denzel Maodzwa from Zimbabwe
Alumni of the Geographic Information Science (GIS) certificate program



Learn more about all programs accepting international students, including Post-Graduate Work Permit (PGWP)-eligible programs.



Faculty of Nursing, Health Sciences and Community Services

School of Education and Community Services
School of Health Sciences
Leslie and Irene Dubé School of Nursing

The mission of the Faculty of Nursing, Health Sciences and Community Services is wide in scope but always focussed on one essential principle: we prepare students with the professional skills they need to take extraordinary care of our community. We train tomorrow's health care professionals to effectively navigate Canada's complex health care system, to serve an aging population and to keep pace with rapidly evolving medical technologies. We also equip students with the skills and knowledge needed for careers with children, youth and individuals with disabilities.

Faculty of Technology and Skilled Trades

School of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Sustainability
School of Construction
Nutrien School of Mining, Manufacturing and Engineering Technologies
School of Transportation

Future-forward programming in the Faculty of Technology and Skilled Trades is as diverse as the sectors we connect to—from agriculture and mining to technology, natural resources and renewable energy. We offer work-integrated learning and applied research opportunities that, along with dedicated faculty and staff, will help you to train, retrain or upskill for a rewarding career that contributes to our province's economic growth and a cleaner energy future.

English-language
course pathway



1-2 yr certificate, diploma,
degree programs



Diploma to degree
pathway*

*Many programs have strong articulation agreements with universities across Canada, with grads often receiving two years of credit towards a degree.

Advance your language skills with English courses. Learn more at saskpolytech.ca/learnEnglish.

Did you know?

- **\$20.2 billion** in agriculture exports in 2023
- **World's largest** producers and exporters of potash and uranium
- **1/3+** of the world's total exported durum wheat
- **World's leading global exporter** of lentils, dry peas, canola oil, canary seed, mustard and oats.
- **5th-largest** oil producer in North America
- China is Saskatchewan's **second-largest** agri-food export market globally
- **Top supplier to India** of lentils and potash
- **108.6% increase** in tech sector employment growth since 2019
- **Top per capita exporter** among Canadian provinces



"Being a student and applied research intern at Sask Polytech has given me real experience with the working culture in Canada. Companies here will value that."

Sean Mu from China

Student in the Artificial Intelligence & Data Analytics post-graduate certificate program

In the news

Read these and other stories at saskpolytech.ca/news

April 2024

Sask Polytech alumni discover promising careers with rural Saskatchewan agricultural manufacturer Bourgault Industries, Ltd.

January 2021

Cigar Lake project collaboration a high-tech, home-grown win

March 2023

Team Power Solutions has Saskatchewan Polytechnic in its DNA

July 2024

Turning a hands-on education into a long-term career in Saskatchewan

May 2023

Saskatchewan Polytechnic Civil Engineering Technologies alumni take leading roles in major infrastructure renewal project at Buffalo Pound

December 2023

Uyen Lam wins 2023 World Technology Partners sustainability student research competition

How to apply



Complete the online international application form by clicking the “apply now” link at saskpolytech.ca/international/apply.

Application fee = \$150 CAD

Learn more about English requirements at saskpolytech.ca/English.



Ready?

Check admission requirements on the program page. Begin application process.



Apply



Receive letter of offer (LOO)



Pay tuition deposit



Receive letter of acceptance (LOA) & provincial attestation letter (PAL)



Apply for study permit



Travel to Canada



Pay remainder of tuition

“Sask Polytech faculty and staff are all friendly. My international recruitment advisor gave me great tips on how to organize my schedule.”


Thaiana de Toledo from Brazil
Alumna of the Interactive Design and
Technology diploma program






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