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Dean’s Message

My warmest welcome to you to the College of Arts & Science! The Arts & Science community has an historic legacy – founded in 1908, we are the oldest college at the University of Saskatchewan. But we have changed with the times- from an initial 70 students in the college, to a current 8000 students. It’s true that this is a vast community, but we see you in it: you’re now a scholar and a researcher. You’re going to meet new friends here. You’ll have some wonderful instructors whom you will never forget. Wherever you want to go in life, you can get there from here.

With its unique disciplinary breadth, the College of Arts and Science exists to stimulate creative and critical thought, foster the joy of discovery and nurture curiosity-driven research. Collectively, we strive to advance the individual, embrace diversity, enrich society, and preserve culture, while creating a sustainable civil world and natural environment.

You’re now part of all of this, and we are very glad to have you here. Our community of faculty and staff are here to guide and enrich your experiences as a student. You’ll learn skills in leadership, research, critical thinking, communications, problem solving, and team building. These skills will transfer to everything else you will do in life – any oral or written communications, any relationship, and any career choice.

While the classroom experience is a fundamental part of the education you’ll receive here, we also offer a diverse array of other ways to learn: study abroad programs, experiential learning opportunities, peer mentorship initiatives, and learning communities. The Arts & Science Students Union guides many active student societies, and there are plenty of ways to get involved in student life.

Our campus is a big place, but there’s a place for you in it. Even if you’re not sure right now what field you’d like to study, or what your major should be, Arts & Science is the place for you. We have almost 60 departmental and interdisciplinary programs from which to choose. But with all of the choice out there, why an Arts & Science degree? In addition to the figures that support the financial reasons for getting an Arts & Science education, think about this:

Aside from the demonstrable value of a university degree to you, consider that the world faces many significant and urgent problems that you, or people now your age across Canada and beyond, will be the ones to solve. Consider, too, that although we don’t know the answers to them – famine, poverty, inequalities of all kinds, health funding, political instability, water security, environmental sustainability, reproductive ethics – we do know one thing: they will not be solved by a single person working in a single discipline or profession.

They will be solved by many people from many disciplines working together, bringing to the table what they’ve learned in the humanities, in the social sciences, in the fine arts and in the sciences. This suggests that the many programs we offer in the College are of crucial value. It also reinforces that we’re in a unique position because, under our one roof, we contain more disciplines than any other college in the country.

So again, my warmest welcome to you. I hope that you drop by my weekly Dean’s Student Open Door, every Wednesday from 4:00-5:00pm in Arts 226. Also, stop in to visit our Student Office in Arts 265 – we have excellent advisors with whom you can meet.

Peter Stoicheff, Ph.D.
Dean and Professor
College of Arts & Science
First Year Student Checklist

What should I do now?

☐ Do your research! Read this handbook and explore the Arts & Science web site: www.artsandscience.usask.ca

☐ Send in your final transcripts and check your application status (if conditionally accepted).

☐ Log into your PAWS (Personalized Access to Web Services) account with your NSID (Network Services ID) and password provided in your acceptance letter. Check your Academics tab for your registration date and familiarize yourself with your student email account.

☐ Browse through the Course and Program Catalogue (http://www.usask.ca/programs/) and check out all the different degree options Arts & Science has to offer.

☐ Confused about what to take in your first year? Come see an academic advisor if you need help choosing courses or have questions about your degree requirements. To make an appointment call (306) 966-4231, or visit Arts 265.

☐ Register for your classes on PAWS. First year students can register as early as June 21, 2014. Consider registering in an academic support program as well:

  - Arts and Science Learning Communities – First-Year Learning Experience a First Year Learning Community (LC) is a small group of first year students who choose to register in a common set of two or three classes. In addition to sharing a common classroom experience in large lectures, students gather as a smaller community in a weekly LC Hour guided by two successful senior student Peer Mentors. Registration for Fall 2014 Learning Communities begins May 12th – make sure to register early to reserve your spot! For more information check out the Learning Communities website at http://artsandscience.usask.ca/students/learningcommunities

  - Aboriginal Student Achievement Program (ASAP) Learning Community – a small group of first-year Aboriginal students who take a common set of courses together and meet weekly with upper year university students called Peer Mentors. Aboriginal students develop a community on campus, improve their academic skills, and set academic and career goals. The Aboriginal Student Achievement Program is coordinated through the Aboriginal Student Achievement Office (ASAO). For more information, or to register, contact asao@arts.usask.ca.

  - Writing for Academic Success – a non-credit basic writing skills course focusing on grammar and the principles of essay organization and editing. Students learn to apply their grammar knowledge to their writing, increasing its efficiency and effectiveness. For more information, visit http://www.stmcollege.ca/study-here/student-services/wfas.php.

☐ Find out what textbooks you need from your professor, your textbook tab in PAWS (found under “Academics) or www.usask.ca/bookstore/ and purchase them.

☐ Find a place to live (if you are not living at home). For information about on-campus or off-campus housing, visit http://explore.usask.ca/campus-life/. If you are interested in residence, make sure to apply early! You can also check the Classified Ads in your PAWS account for potential housing options.
If needed, apply for government student loans, grants and/or scholarships to assist you with tuition and other education costs. For eligibility requirements, deadlines or to apply online, visit www.aeel.gov.sk.ca/student-loans. (http://students.usask.ca/current/paying/student-loans/)

Get connected at Welcome Week and be sure to attend the university-wide Orientation on September 2, 2014.

Get involved in campus life! Join a club, volunteer or participate in campus rec activities – there’s something for everyone. For more information on what’s available, check out page 58 or visit www.students.usask.ca/current/life or http://explore.usask.ca/campus-life/recreation.php.

Opt out of the USSU Student Health & Dental Plan (if you have alternative coverage). Visit http://students.usask.ca/current/paying/opt-out.php for more information.

Get your Student IDcard and Saskatoon Transit U-Pass. See page 13 for more information.

Explore Study Abroad opportunities and consider building one into your degree. Studying abroad is a fantastic opportunity to live in a foreign country, experience another culture, and gain global insight. Check out the study abroad website (http://students.usask.ca/goabroad/) to start exploring potential opportunities.
IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2014-2015

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Final Examination Periods

UNIVERSITY HOLIDAYS DURING THE 2014-2015 REGULAR TERM

- Monday, September 1, 2014 --- Labour Day – University closed
- Monday, October 13, 2014 --- Thanksgiving Day – University closed
- Monday, November 10 to Friday, November 14, 2014 --- Fall Mid-Term Break – No classes – University Open
- Tuesday, November 11, 2014 --- Remembrance Day – University closed
- Thursday, December 25 to Thursday, January 1, 2015 --- Christmas Break – University closed
- Monday, February 16, 2015 --- Family Day – University closed
- Tuesday, February 17, 2015 to Friday, February 20, 2015 --- Winter Mid-Term Break – No classes – University Open
- Friday, April 3, 2015 --- Good Friday – University closed
Getting Oriented

Explore the University’s Online Resources

The University’s website has a wealth of information for new incoming students. A lot of your questions, from “how much will my classes cost?” to “where can I get help in math?” can be answered online. The following are websites that have answers to a lot of common first year questions.

- **www.artsandscience.usask.ca** – The website for the College of Arts & Science. Here is where students can find information on anything to do with the College – from Dean Stoicheff’s blog, to academic advising contacts, to current research facilities in Arts & Science.

- **www.students.usask.ca** – The University website for current students with links to registration tutorials, information on exams and transcripts, and contacts for campus services/groups like recreation, health & counselling or the University of Saskatchewan Students’ Union (USSU).

- **www.explore.usask.ca/moneymatters** - Everything you need to know about tuition costs, student fees and available scholarships, awards or student loans.

- **www.usask.ca/ulc** - The website for the University Learning Centre (ULC), which offers a variety of resources to help students be academically successful. Some programs include study skills workshops, math & stats help, and a writing drop-in centre.

- **www.artsandscience.usask.ca/lc** - The website for the College of Arts and Science’s Learning Communities program. Explore course combinations connected to your career and program goals and find a Learning Community that works for you.

- **www.usask.ca/programs** - The University Course and Program Catalogue. This site will show you the degree requirements for every possible degree option at the U of S. Here you can check out exactly what courses you need to complete to satisfy a degree from any college/department on campus.

- **http://students.usask.ca/goabroad/** - The University website that outlines all of the diverse and exciting study abroad opportunities available at the U of S. This site will help you discover the various ways to study abroad, whether it be a term or class abroad, and will outline the different countries that the U of S has educational agreements with.

Events & Info Sessions

As a new student, it can sometimes be difficult to even know where to start. University orientation and information sessions are a good place to get the information you need to begin your journey here.

- **U-Start** – These are sessions held all across Western Canada in May for new students and their parents. These sessions provide a great general introduction for all students to PAWS (Personalized Access to Web Services) and course registration, as well as a good opportunity to learn about on campus services such as housing, transition programs and more. Admission is free. For more information on locations and times, visit their website at [www.students.usask.ca/new/transition/ustart.php](http://www.students.usask.ca/new/transition/ustart.php).
University Orientation - Before classes begin, the University will be hosting a campus-wide orientation for all new students on September 2, 2014. This is a great opportunity to meet other new students, get a free meal, learn about how to find your classrooms, and get your student ID card. Additional orientation activities are also available for Aboriginal and International students. For more specific information on activities and dates, visit www.students.usask.ca/new/transition/orientation.php.

Other groups on campus, such as the University of Saskatchewan Students’ Union (USSU) (www.uusu.ca), also participate in welcome activities in September so be sure to check out their websites or the university calendar of events at www.usask.ca/events for additional events.

Contact an Academic Advisor

Confused about what to take in your first year? Wondering which Learning Community is for you? Not sure how to get into a professional college? Having problems with a course? Come see an academic advisor if you need help choosing courses, have questions about your degree requirements, or want to chat with someone about any academic problems you are facing. To make an appointment with an Academic Advisor call (306) 966-4231, or visit Arts 265.

Undergraduate Student Office

The Undergraduate Student Office is in charge of academic advising for the College of Arts and Science. By seeing an academic advisor students are able to determine which classes to take in order to obtain a specific degree or to apply to a professional college. Academic advisors can also help advise students on most academic issues, such as grade appeals, academic integrity, academic difficulty, academic grievances, DegreeWorks, among many other issues. For more information email: student-advice@artsandscience.usask.ca.

Aboriginal Student Achievement Office

The Aboriginal Student Achievement Office (ASAO) offers holistic Aboriginal academic advising, a gathering place and study space for Aboriginal students (including computers for student use), information about on-campus and community based Aboriginal programs, assistance with course selection and registration, and partnering with Post-Secondary Coordinators and Funding Agencies. ASAO also coordinates the Aboriginal Student Achievement Program (ASAP) Learning Communities. For more information, or to register, contact asao@arts.usask.ca.

Learning the Academic Jargon

At the University, you will begin to learn a whole new language. Listed below are a few of the more important terms you will encounter as you familiarize yourself with University life.

Class/Course: The terms “class” and “course” are often used interchangeably.

Course Description: Course descriptions found in the University Course and Program Catalogue give you information about a particular course, such as the course name, number, credit units and the term(s) in which it is offered.
The Course Reference Number (CRN) is a unique 5 digit number that is assigned to each class section for the purpose of registration in PAWS. You will need to know the corresponding CRN for each course section (e.g. lecture, lab, tutorial, seminar) that you wish to register for. Registration can be expedited by entering these numbers directly into PAWS instead of having to search for each section during your registration session.

Credit Unit (c.u.): A value assigned to a course which indicates its relative weight within the student program. Credit units define the amount of university-level credit to be awarded for successful completion of a course or, in the case of transfer credit, of study elsewhere. A frequent criterion used in judging credit units is the expected student effort in the course or hours of instruction. Normally, courses that span one term have a weight of three (3) credit units (e.g., SOC 111.3) while courses that take two terms to complete have a weight of six (6) credit units (e.g., ENG 110.6).

Cumulative Weighted Average (CWA): Your cumulative weighted average or CWA, calculated as a percentage, is a general indicator of your academic performance. A CWA is based on two factors: the grade you receive in a course, and the number of credit units the course is worth.

To calculate your CWA:

Multiply your mark in each course by the number of credit units the course is worth. This will give you the “weighted mark” for the course.
Add the weighted marks for all of your courses together. Add the total number of credit units taken.

Divide the total weighted marks by the total number of credit units you have attempted.

Example:

ENG 110.6  65 (mark) x 6 (c.u.) = 390 (weighted mark)
LIT 100.6  82 (mark) x 6 (c.u.) = 492 (weighted mark)
BIOL 120.3 59 (mark) x 3 (c.u.) = 177 (weighted mark)

Total c.u. = 6+6+3=15
Total weighted marks = 390+492+177=1059

CWA = 1059/15 = 70.6%

Exchanges: Students are able to do one or two terms abroad at an institution that has an exchange agreement with the U of S, allowing students to pay tuition to the U of S while attending the partner University. An exchange is a fantastic way for students to study their degree program at another university.

Full-Time Student: At the University of Saskatchewan, an undergraduate student is considered full-time if they are registered in 9 or more credit units per term during regular session (September to April). During the Spring/Summer Terms, undergraduate students are considered full-time if they are registered in 6 or more credit units per term (May-June, July-August).

Please note that the definition of “full-time” can vary depending on the institution and government agency you are involved with. When dealing with issues such as student loans or visas, make sure to check directly with the applicable agency or institution to determine how many credit units must be taken for them to consider a student “full-time”.

Students registered with DSS (Disability Student Services) will be considered full-time students when taking 6 credit units per term.

Independent Studies: Independent Studies courses are offered through the Centre for Continuing & Distance Education, providing students with the flexibility to take U of S courses regardless of where they live. Students receive a course guide outlining required assignments and readings. These courses may use audio or video tapes, CDs, DVDs, and online resources. When registering, class section numbers beginning with “X” are Independent Studies classes.

Internships: Internships allow students to gain valuable work experience while pursuing their degree. An internship is a period of extended and intensive field study experience. Internships are done through specific Departments and can be arranged by that Department. They are not always for U of S credit, but they will show up on a student’s transcript.
**Jr. Level Courses:** Courses that have a course number that falls in the range of 100 to 199. These courses are usually general introduction courses, or courses that introduce core subject material which then serve as prerequisites to senior-level courses in that subject.

**Lab:** A lab accompanies lecture and/or tutorial time to allow for more practical/hands-on work. In a biology class, for example, a scientific experiment may be performed, whereas in a drama class, set and prop construction may be the purpose of the lab. Labs must be attended as well!

**Lecture:** A lecture refers to class time which is structured by a professor according to course content. Lectures are 50 minutes for Monday-Wednesday-Friday (MWF) courses, and 1 hour and 20 minutes for Tuesday-Thursday (TR) classes. Please note: this is not true of the spring/summer sessions.

**Network Services ID (NSID):** A Network Services ID (NSID) is a unique identifier issued to all members of the University community. NSIDs take the format of three letters followed by three numbers (e.g., abc123). Students can use their NSID and password to access university computer and network services such as PAWS, email, computer labs and password protected sites.

**Part-Time Student:** At the University of Saskatchewan, an undergraduate student is considered part-time if they are registered in fewer than 9 credit units per term during regular session (September to April). During the Spring/Summer Terms, undergraduate students are considered part-time if they are registered in fewer than 6 credit units per term.

**Personalized Access To Web Services (PAWS):** PAWS is a customizable web environment used by all members of the University community. It contains a variety of web-based tools and is the portal that students use to check their campus email, register for courses, view their grades or transcripts, access their financial information, and much more. IT Services offers training, online manuals, and video tutorials to help students become more familiar with using PAWS. For more information, check out [www.usask.ca/its/services/paws/training.php](http://www.usask.ca/its/services/paws/training.php) or [www.students.usask.ca/current/registration/tutorials.php](http://www.students.usask.ca/current/registration/tutorials.php).

**Prerequisite:** A prerequisite is a course or requirement that you must successfully complete before registering in a specific course. They are listed along with the course descriptions in the Course and Program Catalogue.

Note that some university courses require high school prerequisites. Please read the course description carefully.

**Quarter:** Quarters are condensed academic periods of study during the Spring/Summer Session where some courses are offered in a time-intensive format over a period of one month (instead of the regular four month term). Spring/Summer Terms are broken down as follows:

- Quarter 1 – May
- Quarter 2 – June
- Quarter 3 – July
- Quarter 4 – August
Regular Session: Pertains to the time period between September and April, and is made up of the Fall Term (Sept-Dec) and the Winter Term (Jan-Apr).

Section: ex: ENG 110.6(03) differentiates between the different times that a course is offered, its location, and who it is taught by. It is important to know what particular section of a course you are registered in because the same course can be taught by different professors, at different times, and in different locations. Generally, for 3 c.u. courses, odd-numbered sections are given in Term 1; even-numbered sections are given in Term 2.

Spring/Summer Session: Pertains to the time period between May and August, and is made up of the Spring Term (May-June) and the Summer Term (July-Aug).

Sr. Level Courses: Courses identified with course numbers in the range of 200 to 499. Senior level courses involve a more in-depth look at subject areas and commonly require junior level course prerequisites.

Taught Abroad: Refers to a University of Saskatchewan course that is taught to U of S students in another country. These courses are typically 3 – 6 credit units and last several weeks. The courses are organized by individual Colleges and are often taught by U of S professors. Students register for these classes on PAWS and receive U of S credit for it.

Term: Used to refer to academic periods of study:

- Term 1 (T1) - September to December
- Term 2 (T2) - January to April
- Multi-Term (T1T2) – September to April
- Spring/Summer Term 1 – May to June
- Spring/Summer Term 2 – July to August
- Spring/Summer Multi-Term – May to August

Term Abroad: Allows U of S students to take preselected U of S (or equivalent) courses abroad. This program is the duration of a full term and incorporates 15 credit units of U of S courses in another country. As the courses have been preapproved the students are able to register for the courses through PAWS.

Tutorial: A tutorial is a weekly discussion-based session that can accompany lectures for certain courses. Tutorials can be led by the professor or a senior or graduate student, and are often used to clarify or further explore specific concepts taught in class. Tutorials must be attended as well!

Web Based Class: A course that is delivered primarily through the internet. They usually include a web interface where students can access course content, reading materials, and participate in online discussions or quizzes. When registering, class section numbers beginning with “W” are online classes.
The Basics

Tuition and Fees

For fall term, starting in September, your tuition and fees are due the last business day of September. For winter term, starting in January, your tuition and fees are due the last business day of January. Students with past-due balances are charged monthly late payment fees equal to 1.5% and will have a hold placed on their Student Account, meaning that the student cannot access grades, will not receive transcripts, and will not be eligible for re-registration until all overdue accounts have been cleared with the University (although students with holds can still drop courses if needed). You can view your fees in your Student Account on PAWS. Log into PAWS using your NSID and password, select Academics, and select Tuition & Fees and further on Account Summary by Term.

There are several ways to pay your tuition: in person using cash, cheque, or debit card; through the mail with a cheque or money order with your student number on it sent to University of Saskatchewan, Student Accounts, Room E40 - 105 Administration Place, Saskatoon SK, S7N 5A2; at a bank or other financial institution with the tuition statement you receive in the mail from the University and cash, cheque, or money order; using online banking by setting up the University of Saskatchewan as a bill payee and using your student number as your account number; or on PAWS using MasterCard (there is a 1% surcharge added to your tuition and fees for using MasterCard, and Mastercard is the only credit card accepted by the University to pay for tuition). Cheques and money orders should be made payable to University of Saskatchewan.

If you receive funding from a band or other agency you should check with Student Accounts and Treasury in room E40 of the Administration Building if you have any questions. If you receive a scholarship from the U of S it will be added to your Student Account on PAWS. If you are receiving a scholarship, but it hasn’t yet been added to your Student Account, check with Student Central in the Administration Building. Typical reasons for a scholarship not being added include not having your final high school transcripts sent to Admissions or not being registered in at least 9 credit units of classes in each of fall and winter terms.

For more information on paying Tuition and Fees visit www.students.usask.ca/current/paying/pay.php and www.usask.ca/fsd/students/tuition.php.

Student Loans

When students think of student loans they typically mean government student loans. Government student loans are a legal agreement between a student, the federal government, and their provincial government. The University does not handle applications for student loans. You must apply online to your provincial student loans office. The website for Saskatchewan Student Loans is www.ae.gov.sk.ca/student-loans/. View the website or call 1 (888) 815-4514 for information regarding your loan application, including provincial residency requirements. You can also find information on student loans at www.students.usask.ca/current/paying/student-loans/.

Financial Awards

For awards from the U of S, students who have not yet completed 18 credit units of University classes are only eligible for Guaranteed Entrance Scholarships and Competitive Entrance Awards. All students may be eligible for awards that are not administered by the University. There is a list of external awards at students.usask.ca/awards. Once you have completed at least 18 credit units you can apply for U of S continuing scholarships and bursaries at students.usask.ca/awards. There are thousands of dollars in student awards available and not all awards are claimed every year, so it never hurts to apply.
Student Cards (Bookstore in Marquis Hall)

Student cards are made at the U of S Bookstore in Marquis Hall. Your original student card is free; any replacement cards cost $20.00 (unless the card is broken, in which case you can bring in the broken card and have it replaced for free). You must be registered in at least one class for two business days before the card office’s computers will recognize you as being a student. The card office will take a photo of you that will be printed on your student card. You need to bring photo ID (Passport, Citizen Card, or Photo Drivers’ License) to have a card made. Your student card allows you to check out books from on campus libraries, to use the PAC Fit Centre, to get a U-Pass, to write final exams, and to enter residence if you live there.

Textbooks

You can look up the required textbooks for your courses in the My Textbooks found under the Academics on PAWS or at www.usask.ca/bookstore. Make sure to check the section number of your courses so that you get the right books. You can choose to beat the rush and get your textbooks before classes begin; going early could also increase your chances of finding used books. Some students wait to see how often a textbook will be used in a class, or if it is available from the library, before purchasing their books.

You may be able to find used copies of some of your textbooks. Make sure to double check with your instructors to see if older editions of textbooks will work. The bookstore sells used copies of some books. You can also check out the Classified Ads on PAWS. Students will also post ads for used books outside classrooms and in high traffic areas, like the tunnel between Place Riel and Arts.

If you’d like to sell used textbooks, the University bookstore operates a buyback at the end of both fall and winter terms. You can also place an ad in the Classified Ads on PAWS, or place a poster on a bulletin board outside classrooms or busy areas like the Arts Tunnel. Make sure to get approval from the right student society when posting on a bulletin board. If you are unsure of who can approve your posters, check with either the Arts and Science Students Union Office in 218 Arts or the USSU Information Centre on the main floor of Place Riel.

Housing

There are three residence complexes on and near campus. You can apply to live in one at http://livewithus.usask.ca/. If you’d like to live off campus, the USSU operates a housing registry at www.ussu.ca/housing. There are also ads listed online in the PAWS Classified Ads. You can also check out classifieds in The Star Phoenix or online at saskatoon.kijiji.ca. Off campus housing isn’t regulated by the University, so read the Saskatoon Housing Handbook online at the City of Saskatoon website to be aware of your rights and responsibilities.
Studentcare Health and Dental Plan (121 Place Riel)

Full time students starting classes in September are automatically enrolled in the Studentcare Health and Dental Plan. Part time students and students starting classes in January who would like to be enrolled in the Plan must opt in during the January change of coverage period. If you are enrolled in the plan, Undergrad Health Plan and Undergrad Dental Plan fees will appear on your Student Account in PAWS along with your tuition.

Opt Out Option:

If you have other insurance coverage though parents, guardians, a spouse or partner, or on your own you may be able to opt out of the Studentcare Plan. If you want to opt out, you must start the procedure at www.ihaveaplan.ca (enter USSU as your student association and look for the Opt Outs link) and provide proof of other insurance coverage during the change of coverage period in September.

Couple & Family Coverage:

You can enroll a spouse and/or dependents in the Plan. If you start classes in September you must enroll your spouse and/or dependents during the fall change of coverage period, and if you start in January you must enroll them during the winter change of coverage period. Go to www.ihaveaplan.ca, enter USSU as your student association, and find the Couple & Family Enrolments link for forms and more information.

Go to www.ihaveaplan.ca and enter USSU as your student association to start the opt out procedure, to view the change of coverage periods, to learn about enrolling a spouse and/or dependents, to view the amount of coverage you have, and to learn claim procedures. For more information you can also visit the Health and Dental Plan Office in Place Riel across from the USSU Information Centre.

U-Pass

U-Pass allows U of S students unlimited travel using Saskatoon Transit during the fall and winter terms. In 2013 U of S students voted to expand U-Pass to students registered in classes during spring and summer terms. U-Pass is listed on your Student Account in PAWS as the USSU Saskatoon Transit Fee.

The U-Pass is an RFID sticker placed on the back of your student card. Just place your student card with U-Pass on the scanner when you enter a bus. The scanner will even read your U-Pass if you leave your student card in your wallet! U-Pass stickers are available from the USSU Information Centre on the main level of Place Riel about two weeks before the start of each term. The line gets very long the first few days of the terms, so if you can, go a few days before classes start.

There are a limited number of accepted reasons to be exempted from U-Pass: if you live in on-campus residence (only Athabasca, Saskatchewan, Qu’Appelle, Qu’Appelle Addition and Ogle Halls and Luther Residence are considered on-campus), live outside of Saskatoon city limits, are enrolled exclusively in distance education classes, or have a disability parking permit or disability bus pass. You will have to provide proof at the USSU Information Centre to be exempted. There is a deadline in each term to be exempted from U-Pass.

Visit www.uusu.ca/upass to download the exemption form, view deadlines, and find more information.

Parking

Parking spots are available to students living in Saskatchewan, Qu’Appelle, Qu’Appelle Addition & Athabasca Halls, McEown Park and College Quarter Residences, Lutheran and Sheptysky residences. If you don’t live in one of these residences you must enter the online parking sale on PAWS during July and August to get a parking permit (http://www.usask.ca/parking/student/online-sale/index.php). If you don’t see the Parking Channel on PAWS, click on the
+Browse Channels button on the bottom left hand corner of the page. You can enter the sale through this channel. If you obtain a spot you can collect your parking pass from Parking Services in the Animal Science Building. Bring your valid student card and method of payment (no cheques) when you go to pick up your ticket. If you do not obtain a spot there is the second chance sale, which is only for those who were unsuccessful with the online sale, on first-come, first-served basis. See the Parking and Transportation Services website for more information.

If you don't have a parking permit you can park at meters on campus. Most meters have a two hour limit during the day. Parking Services enforces meters very strictly. Stadium Parkade on College Drive across from the PAC offers hourly parking with a $10 maximum during weekdays during fall and winter terms. There are also automated hourly rate parking lots across campus.

Much of the residential area around campus has limits on the amount of time your car can be parked there. These limits are enforced. Park here at your own risk.

Students wanting to carpool can use UCommute, a ride matching and commute tracking service at the U of S. UCommute can be found on the Home tab in PAWS. If you don’t see the UCommute Channel, click on +Browse Channels button on the bottom left hand corner of the page and click on the UCommute channel to add it.

In the event that you do not get a parking spot, after applying for the parking sale, and you absolutely need one the USSU offers a Designated Parking Program in the event of extenuating circumstances. For more information refer to this website: [http://www.usu.ca/parking/index.shtml](http://www.usu.ca/parking/index.shtml).

For more information on parking at the University, including student permit prices, visit [www.usask.ca/parking/index.php](http://www.usask.ca/parking/index.php).

**Biking**

Biking is a very convenient way to get to the University in the spring, summer, and fall. Winter biking is doable, but take extra precautions like installing studded tires on your bike. Bike racks are located throughout campus, and you should be able to find a spot near any building you have classes in. Make sure to bring a sturdy lock, preferably a U-Lock. The University also has 16 bike lockers, each with locking mechanism and padlock, available to rent. Never leave your bike unattended. You should wear a helmet while cycling. As a cyclist you are considered a vehicle and must abide by all traffic laws on campus.

**Computers**

Students can use a number of University computer labs on-campus by logging in with their NSID and password, although some may be restricted to students in specific colleges. All students have access to computers at U of S library locations. The College of Arts & Science also maintains a large number of computer labs in various buildings across campus. For more information on Arts & Science computer lab locations and hours visit [www.artsandscience.usask.ca/it/labs/](http://www.artsandscience.usask.ca/it/labs/).

Students can rent laptops for periods of about six hours (or until one hour before close) from the Murray, Health Science, Engineering, and Natural Science Libraries. All you need to do is sign it out with your student card, it comes with a laptop bag and charger. You can also borrow a computer mouse.

Students can print using the University’s Campus Print Accounting System (CPAS). Printing costs $0.10 per black and white page or $0.25 per colour page. Every student is automatically given a CPAS account to which they can add printing money. Money can be added using a Student Information Terminal (SIT), by going to the USSU Information Centre in Upper Place Riel, or by visiting any Library circulation desk. Students can monitor their printing account using the CPAS
channel on PAWS. To add this channel, click on +Browse Channels in the bottom left hand corner and click on Student Printing under Personal Tools.

Students can also bring their own laptops and tablets to the University. The U of S has a secure wireless network available to all students using laptops, tablets, or other mobile devices. To find the wireless set-up guide for your device, visit www.usask.ca/its/services/networks/wireless/access.php.

Students wanting to purchase a new computer, laptop, tablet, software, printer or other accessories can use the Campus Computer Store, located in Lower Place Riel across from the food court. The Campus Computer Store has some educational discounts for students, such as the Laptops4U bundle packages. For more information visit their website at www.ccs.usask.ca.

Students experiencing technical difficulty can contact the IT Help Desk at http://www.usask.ca/its-guides/help_desk/.

**Campus Safety and Emergencies**

If you see suspicious activity or if something of your is stolen on campus, report it to Protective Services by calling (306) 966-5555 or just 5555 from any campus phone. Protective Services also operates a lost and found. In case of an emergency call 911 or 9-911 from any campus phone.
Deciphering Your Degree

Degrees Offered by the College of Arts & Science

The College of Arts & Science offers students a variety of degree options to choose from, depending on what you want to do with your degree and what type of career you are thinking of.

- The Three-Year Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) requires students to complete at least 90 credit units. These degrees are not recommended for students interested in pursuing graduate studies; however, they can be a good option to complement a professional degree. Students intending to apply to a non-direct entry professional program in their senior years, such as Dentistry, Law or Education, often find these degrees a good fit as they complete their pre-professional years.

- The Four-Year Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) are undergraduate degrees comprised of at least 120 credit units. They typically require students to fulfill more senior level major requirements as well as more senior level elective requirements. They are the most commonly pursued degree in Arts and Science. Students may have minors, recognitions, or specializations in collaboration with a Four-Year B.A or B.Sc.

- The Four-Year B.A. or B.Sc. Honours Programs are intended for students who wish for more intensive training and who are able to meet the CWA requirements. They are especially suitable for those who plan to proceed to graduate study leading to the degrees of Master of Arts (M.A.), Master of Science (M.Sc.), and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.). Application for admission to Honours is not considered until the student has successfully completed at least 60 credit units with a Cumulative Weighted Average of at least 70% overall and in the subject of the Honours. Honours degrees focus more on the student’s area of study requiring more major related courses and less electives.

- The Four-Year B.A. & Sc. degree offer students an opportunity to study a program that has both Arts and Science major components. These degrees are comprised of 120 credit units. The Four-Year B.A. & Sc. Honours Programs are subject to the same criteria as the Honours Programs listed above. Currently, the only B.A. & Sc. Programs that offer an Honours degree option is Environment & Society and Health Studies.

- The Four-Year Bachelor of Music (B.Mus.) consists of 120-126 credit units and has four fields of specialization that students can choose from. The B.Mus. degree requires incoming students to complete an interview, an audition, and a theory placement exam upon application. Students interested in this degree are strongly encouraged to meet with an advisor in the Music Department to review specific admission procedures.

- The Four Year Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) is available in the areas of Drama (120 credit units) and Studio Art (120 credit units plus exhibition). The B.F.A. degrees are Honours-level programs and students must meet the minimum academic requirements to apply. Students interested in this degree are strongly encouraged to meet with an advisor in the Art & Art History or Drama Departments to review specific admission procedures.
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Please note that many students may take longer than three years for a B.A. Three-year degree or longer than four years for a B.A. Four-year or Honours degree by enrolling in fewer courses per term in order to get better grades, work part-time, or participate in extra-curricular activities.

If you don’t know what type of degree you want to pursue, don’t panic! You do not have to decide what type of degree you want right now, and you can always change your degree type at a later time if you decide it’s not right for you. However, it is important to understand this information so you can begin to choose the courses in your first year for the degree program that most suits you. If you are unsure what degree type you plan to pursue, you can choose your courses to keep a variety of degree types open as options.

**Program Types and Majors**

Your major is the subject area you choose to specialize in. It is also the subject or program area where you will take the majority of your courses. Choosing a major can sometimes be a daunting task for students who are not sure what they want to study.

With over 60 options to choose from, the College of Arts and Science is sure to have something that piques your interest — but where to start? To help you narrow down the field, all of our majors can be divided into the following Program Types based on subject matter:

- **Humanities** (Program Type A – B.A.): These include the study of peoples’ history, language, literature, philosophy, and religion. Students who major in a humanities subject usually enjoy writing, and doing library-based research.

- **Social Sciences** (Program Type B – B.A.): These include the study of how societies & people function. Students who pursue a social science major usually enjoy analyzing human behavior and doing social research projects.

- **Sciences** (Program Type C – B.Sc.): These include the study of technology and the physical world. Students who specialize in the sciences often enjoy mathematics, experimentation, and laboratory research.

- **Fine Arts** (Program Type D – B.A.): These include the study of artistic expression. Students who choose the B.A. in Fine Arts are artistically talented or are interested in the creative process. This program type provides students with a strong academic foundation in liberal arts, combined with a studio or performance component.
Fine Arts (Program Type E & F – B.F.A.): These include the areas of Studio Art, Acting, and Theatre Design. The B.F.A. programs are Honours-level degrees and offer a more studio-intensive or performance-intensive experience. Students interested in pursuing graduate studies in Fine Arts are encouraged to consider the B.F.A programs.

Fine Arts (Program Type G – B.Mus.): The Bachelor of Music is a performance-intensive program that allows students to specialize in Composition and Theory, Musicology, Individualized, or Performance Honours. Students can also complete a B.Mus/B.Ed degree in Music Education. Students interested in pursuing a graduate degree in Music composition, theory, or performance are encouraged to consider the B.Mus. program.

Science & Arts (Program Type J – B.A. & Sc.): This program type is available for students who wish to combine science with one or more of the Humanities, Social Sciences or Fine Arts. The two programs currently available to students are Environment & Society and Interactive Systems Design.

Interdisciplinary Majors (Program Type varies): Interdisciplinary studies allows for students to take a variety of courses across disciplines rather than choosing one or two specific disciplines. In this type of program students are able to create new connections between disciplines. Each program is run by an Administrative Committee and students should contact each Administrative Committee Chair for more information.

You may already know which area you wish to major in, or you may have only been able to narrow it down to a program type. You do not have to choose your major right now, but if there are subjects or program areas you are interested in, it is important to take introductory courses in those areas in your first year. This way, you will have the required prerequisites to take senior-level courses in these areas in your later years of study. The following are subject areas that you can major in, listed by program type:

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For more detailed information on the programs and majors offered by the College of Arts and Science, please refer to the Course and Program Catalogue at [http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/arts-science/index.php](http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/arts-science/index.php).

**Minors and Language Recognitions**

Students may also choose to complete a minor in a subject area or receive recognition in a language. Minors and recognitions must be completed in conjunction with a major degree. To complete minor, students must complete 18-24 credit units, as outlined by the department in that subject area. **Minors are not available in all departments and are not required to receive a degree.** Recognition in a language is available upon completion of 18 credit units as required by the Department of Languages and Linguistics. For more information students should consult the Course and Program Catalogue online at [www.usask.ca/programs/](http://www.usask.ca/programs/) or consult the department they are seeking a minor or recognition in.

**Fulfilling Your Degree Requirements**

Before a B.A. or B.Sc. degree can be awarded, the College requires its students to complete specific courses and meet certain regulations. In terms of academic requirements, all students pursuing a B.A. or B.Sc. must fulfill 7 different requirements to complete their degree. These requirements can be broken down into three categories:

1. **Requirements #1 through #5 are called Distribution Requirements.** These distribution requirements expose students to all areas considered important in the achievement of a liberal arts education. Regardless of whether you are pursuing the B.A. or B.Sc. degree, all students must complete a variety of courses outside of the area that they are specializing in. Many students in their first year will choose to take a mix of distribution requirements to help them narrow down an area of interest for their major. When choosing your distribution requirements, there are a couple of restrictions to keep in mind:

   - For each of the Requirements 1 to 5, students must choose from a list of acceptable courses to fulfill the required number of credit units. For the full list of acceptable courses for each
Program Type, go to http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/arts-science/index.php, and select the Academic Information & Policies tab to view the B.A. and B.Sc. Degree Requirements. Please note, many majors will list specific courses that must be completed within the distribution requirements, so always consult the Course and Program Catalogue.

- No course may be used simultaneously in two or more of the Requirements 1 to 5. For example, if FREN 122.3 and FREN 125.3 are used to fulfill the Language requirement, they may not be used to fulfill the Humanities requirement as well.

- No more than 6 credit units from one subject may be used in Requirements 1 - 4 in Program Types A, B, D, or in Requirements 1 - 5 of Program Type C. For example, if ENG 110.6 is used in the Language Requirement, no other course in English may be used in the Humanities Requirement.

2. **Requirement #6 refers to the senior (200-level and up) courses** required in your major. Normally students cannot take senior level courses until they have completed the 100 level prerequisites or a minimum number of university credit units, so don’t worry about these until after your first year. Please note that there is a maximum number of courses that you can take in any one subject, for a Four-Year degree it is 60 c.u. and for a Three-Year degree it is 42 c.u.

3. **Requirement #7 refers to your electives.** These are courses you choose because of interest or because they will strengthen your understanding of your major. Some departments require you to take certain electives (cognate courses) as part of your degree requirements. Electives may also be used to complete a minor in another subject, to receive recognition in a language, or to meet admission requirements for another college.

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** Note, most degrees in Arts & Science are structured around these 7 requirement areas; however, there are exceptions to this. The B.F.A., the B.A.&Sc., and the B.Mus all have slightly different program structures. For information about their exact degree requirements, you can look in the Course and Program Catalogue online or speak to an advisor for more information.
What to take if you don’t know what you want to take!

If you are uncertain about what program type you fit best into and/or what major you are most interested in, it is a good idea to take a variety of courses to keep your options open! Try taking classes that meet general degree requirements—that way when you are ready to work on a major you will have most of the distribution requirements already met. Or, you can browse through the University Course Catalogue (www.usask.ca/calendar/coursecat/index.php) and select Arts & Science courses that interest you. Or, read about what upper year courses are offered in an area of interest and take their junior-level prerequisites. **Students can also meet with a First Year Advisor to discuss course selection. To schedule an appointment call (306)-966-4231 or email firstyear.advising@artsandscience.usask.ca.**

**Potential B.A.**

- 6 c.u. Humanities
- 6 c.u. Social Science
- 6 c.u. Natural Science
- 6 c.u. Language
- 6 c.u. electives

= A full course load

**Potential B.Sc.**

- 6 c.u. Humanities Writing
- 6 c.u. Social Science
- 6 – 9 c.u. Natural Science
- 3 – 6 c.u. Math or Stats
- 6 c.u. electives

= A full course load
Get Registered!

Choosing Your Courses

Now that you understand what a degree program is, as well as the various requirements for a degree, you can begin to select your courses for the upcoming year. Firstyear students in the College of Arts and Science are often surprised at the number of choices and options they have in the courses that they take. These tips can help you choose courses to create an education all your own!

- The College of Arts and Science does not require students to take certain courses in their first year. Instead, students should choose courses that meet the requirements for the major or subject areas that they are interested in or to meet the admission requirements for another college while working on a degree program from the College of Arts and Science.

- Consider taking a variety of courses in your first year in order to keep your options open. By taking an assortment of courses, you may have the ability to choose from a variety of subjects to major in later on. And don’t worry too much about taking the wrong courses – as long as they are approved Arts & Science courses, they can be used to meet your other degree requirements if you later decide to pursue a certain major. Interesting tidbit – a study by Campbell Ungar & Dutton (2008) found that 60% of post-secondary students graduate from a different program than the one they start in.

- Approved Arts & Science courses can include any course offered through a department within the College of Arts & Science. Some courses from other Colleges will transfer automatically towards an Arts & Science degree. For a complete list of courses from other Colleges that count for credit, please see www.artsandscience.usask.ca/students/academics/handouts/TransferCourses.pdf.

- You do not have to meet all of the distribution requirements for a degree in your first year. If you feel uncomfortable taking a course to meet a certain requirement in your first year, you can always take it at a later time. For example, if you are interested in majoring in Political Studies and are hesitant to take a Science course in your first year, don’t. The only thing to be aware of is that certain courses may be prerequisites to upper year courses so when you are planning your course selection keep in mind how it will affect your registration options for the next year.

- Some majors require first year students to take multiple courses in the Sciences in their first year of study. For example, the suggested sequence of courses for students interested in Biomedical Sciences includes 7 Science courses in their first year. When creating your timetable, keep in mind that many science courses also have weekly labs and tutorials in addition to their lecture times. This means that for some 3 credit courses, you might actually be spending 6+ hours in class per week – that’s the same time commitment as 2 courses! It is therefore recommended that first year students take no more than 6-9 credit units in lab based courses per semester to start. If you are fulfilling admission
requirements for another college you may not have as much choice in selecting your courses for your first year.

- Most departments will not permit students to take more than 6 credit units at the junior (100) level in one subject area. For example, students who take ENG 110.6 are not eligible to take any of the 3 credit unit 100-level ENG courses.

- When registering, it is always important to check the prerequisites for your courses (if applicable) to ensure you have completed them. Some 100 level courses have Grade 12 or junior level university prerequisites. Students who enroll in (and even complete) courses that they do not have the prerequisites for are at risk of being dropped from the course at any time or having the credit revoked.

For more information on specific academic requirements, consult the University of Saskatchewan’s Course and Program Catalogue at www.usask.ca/programs.

Course Load

First year students are usually surprised by the amount of time and effort that university courses require. Most classes are held for 3 hours per week and meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for 50 minutes each day or Tuesday and Thursday for 1 hour and 20 minutes each day. Night classes are usually held for 3 hours once a week. Yet, university involves a lot more work than just attending classes. Labs and tutorials will be held outside of class time, so students must also factor these into their schedules. In order for students to be successful in a course, a general rule of thumb is that you should spend about 2 hours on out-of-class course work for every 1 hour spent in class. For example, a class that meets 3 hours per week will usually require the completion of 6 hours of course work outside of the lecture time, plus the possible addition of a tutorial or lab component. For 5 classes per term or a full course load, that is 30 hours per week of outside course work and 15 hours spent within the lecture setting. At 45 hours per week, being a successful student is equivalent to holding a full time job! Because of the significant time commitment university requires, many students may limit the amount of courses they take in their first year.

Using the University of Saskatchewan Online Course and Program Catalogue

The 2014-2015 University of Saskatchewan Course and Program Catalogue is the best online resource for students to find out exactly what courses they need to take to earn their degree. It contains the most up-to-date information on College policies, course descriptions, degree requirements, programs offered, and admission requirements for the College of Arts & Science. Familiarizing yourself with the Course and Program Catalogue can help answer questions you may have about what courses to take, what subject you should major in, and what CWA you need to maintain to apply for an Honours program or to graduate.

To access the Course and Program Catalogue, go to www.usask.ca/programs.
To access the College of Arts and Science programs & policies directly:

- Choose a program/major that sounds interesting from the programs list.
- You can then click on the degree option and requirements for that program. You can even click on classes for a course description, prerequisites, and more information.

### Course Descriptions and Prerequisites

To view course descriptions and prerequisites for any course offered by the University of Saskatchewan:

- Choose the subject area you are interested in from the Subject Code drop down menu. Click Search.
- You will now be able to view all classes offered in the selected subject area and their prerequisites. **It’s important to note that not all of the courses listed will necessarily be offered every term or every year.**

*Please note that Course Registration Numbers (CRNS) used in course registration cannot be found here!*

### Course Offerings

The course offerings or class search function allows you to search for a specific course in a specific term. This will generate a list of the dates and times a course/lab/tutorial will be offered in a specific term, the name of the instructor (if available), the location of the class (if available), and the Course Registration Number (CRN) needed for registration.

- Go to [https://pawss.usask.ca/banprod/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched](https://pawss.usask.ca/banprod/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched)
- Select the appropriate term from the drop down menu – “2014-2015 Term 1” for courses that take place from September to December 2014 or “2014-2015 Term 2” for courses that take place from January to April 2015. Click Submit.
- Select the subject that you are interested in. Entering in a course number is optional. If you want to see all offerings for a subject, leave this field blank and it will generate a list of every course offered that term for that subject. If you are interested in all 100 level courses, you can type in “1%” and it will generate only the 100 level courses offered that term.
- Be sure to select “U of S – Saskatoon Main Campus” to narrow the search down to classes offered on the Saskatoon Campus, otherwise you could end up registering for a course in Yorkton or Prince Albert by accident! The only exception to this would be if you are interested in searching for an independent studies or online offering of a course. To view independent studies courses, you would need to select “All” and look for IND under the “type” column in the search results. Online courses would have the word WEB under the “type” column.
- You can now browse through the courses offered. If you find a course with a date/time you are interested in, be sure to copy down the CRN for fast registration later! To view a brief description of the course and prerequisites required, you can click on the CRN for each course.

### Creating Your Schedule
Once you know what courses you want to take, you should create a timetable with your course selections. It is important to make sure that no course conflicts with the timing of another course. Students must also include lab and tutorial times for registration in their timetable. You can use the Course Offerings tool mentioned above to check the exact days/times during the week that lecture/lab/tutorial sections will be offered.

As a general guideline for students who are beginning to create a timetable and are planning to take a “full course load” (30 credit units during regular session), you may wish to take three courses on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and two courses on Tuesday and Thursday. In this way you will have approximately three hours of lecture time a day. Please be advised that you must schedule your labs and tutorials outside of your course times. Tutorials and labs usually require mandatory attendance and are often essential tools to successfully complete a course. Off-campus courses are scheduled in the morning, afternoon, or evening. Make sure that you make your schedule flexible, sometimes you will end up not getting into a course or lab that you want so provide yourself with alternate times/options.

It is suggested that you schedule your courses around the time of day you find learning easiest. If you are not a morning person, do not schedule all of your courses for 8:30 am! It is also possible to schedule your courses back to back. Professors will let the class out with enough time to get to another class. Try not to schedule more than three hours of course time back to back, as it is important to leave yourself time for food breaks.

Blank timetables are included at the end of this booklet to help you plan your terms.

**Registering on PAWS**

**PAWS** is your Personalized Access to Web Services. Use your University of Saskatchewan Network Services Identification (NSID: 3 letters followed by three numbers; e.g., abc123) and password to access this web portal at: [www.paws.usask.ca](http://www.paws.usask.ca). If you are logging in for the first time, use your NSID and the temporary password **provided in your letter of (conditional) acceptance** to activate your student account and create a new password.

All students must use **PAWS** in order to register for their courses, check their email, access class notes, as well as access many other personalized student services.

Additional PAWS resources can also be found on the homepage in the Help & Information section, below where you log in. Training manuals, FAQs, video tutorials and contacts for IT support are available.

Log into PAWS as soon as possible to check your registration time. Your registration date depends on your year of study. Class registration for Fall and Winter Terms for first year students begins in June!

Log into PAWS
We strongly encourage students to register close to their initial access time on PAWS. By registering early, you will have the greatest chance of getting the course times and sections that you want. Some courses, such as BIOL 120.3 will fill up shortly after registration opens. Keep in mind that seats often become available throughout the registration period, so keep checking back to see if something has opened up. Once you are eligible to register:

- Click on the Registration link:
The next screen will give you a variety of options related to registration. Here you can add/drop classes, check your registration status, pay your student fees or view your current schedule.

To add new courses to your schedule, there are two options. If you already know the CRNs for the course lecture, lab, and tutorial sections, then you can click “Add/Drop Classes”. This will take you to a screen that asks you which term you wish to register for and then on to your Worksheet. Choose Term 1 to register for 6 cu classes spanning both terms.

Registration

New look, same tasks!
The look of this page has changed, but the information on it has stayed the same. If you’re having trouble finding something, email askus@usask.ca

Look Up Classes to Add
Add/Drop Classes
Check Your Registration Status
Select Term
Weekly Schedule

At the bottom of your Worksheet screen you will notice a number of blank boxes. This is where you will type in the CRNs for the classes you wish to register in. Once you’ve entered all of the numbers, click Submit Changes. Some courses will have multiple components (such as a lecture and a lab). When registering, make sure you enter the CRNs for all components, as the system will not let you register in one component of a course without the others.

If you don’t know the CRNs for the courses you wish to register for, you can select “Look Up Classes to Add”. This will allow you to see the available sections for the upcoming term and select which course offerings work best for you. Choose Term 1 to look up 6 cu classes spanning both terms.
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After selecting the term you are interested in registering for, you will get a screen similar to the Course Offerings screen (see the above section entitled “Course Offerings” for more detailed information on search functions). Select the subject that you are interested in and “U of S - Saskatoon Main Campus” for courses on campus. Click Class Search.

This should generate a list of all offered course sections (lectures, labs, tutorials, etc.) in that subject for that term. These search results provide a wealth of information; however, it can look somewhat confusing, so here is an overview of what the different columns mean:

- The CRN is the 5 digit number that is used to register a course on your Worksheet
• The **Subj** is the subject abbreviation (ex. BIOL is the abbreviation for Biology)
• The **Crse** is the course number
• **Sec** refers to the section number. Popular courses may be offered multiple times during the week on different days or at different times. The section number differentiates offerings of the same course.
• **Cmp** refers to the campus. SK means the Saskatoon Main Campus.
• **Cred** tells you the number of credit units the course is worth.
• **Title** is the title of the course
• **Type** refers to the type of section – the most common are LEC for lecture, TUT for tutorial, LAB for laboratory, WEB for online courses, and SEM for seminar.
• **Days** refers to the days of the week the course will meet on. MWF would mean class on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; TR would mean class on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
• **Time** is the time that section takes place at on the specified days
• **Cap** refers to the maximum number of students allowed to register in that section
• **Avail** is the number of spots still available
• **Instructor** is where the department will list the instructor teaching the course, if known
• **Date** refers to the start and end date of the course (not including exam period)
• **Location** is where the section will take place every week. Note that lecture and lab/tutorial locations will not necessarily be the same
• If you see a message at the bottom of the section box that says "**You must also register in additional classes at the same time**", this means that there is a secondary component to the class, such as a lab or tutorial, which you must also register in when adding this course.

Assuming there are no registration errors, you should see the selected course sections appear under your Current Schedule on your Worksheet.

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If you still have questions on how to use PAWS or are having difficulty registering contact Student Central at (306) 966-1212. Technical support requests for PAWS can be sent to the IT Help Desk at help.desk@usask.ca or you can call them at (306) 966-4817.

**Dropping a Course**

Once you have registered in a course, you are obligated to pay any assessed fees as long as you remain registered! If you want to drop a course, you must do so online **before the drop deadline**. The amount of tuition you receive back for
dropped courses depends on when in the term you dropped them. Go to http://students.usask.ca/current/registration/deadlines.php for the current deadline schedule. It is important to note that:

- Courses dropped before the Deadline for Registration Changes will not show up on your transcript.
- Courses dropped after the Deadline for Registration Changes but before the Deadline to Avoid Academic Penalty will show up on your transcript, but with a grade of “w” (for withdrawal) and will have no bearing on your CWA.
- Courses dropped after the Deadline to Avoid Academic Penalty will show up on your transcript as a fail and will count in CWA calculations.

To drop a course, go to your Worksheet. Under the Action column, select “drop class” from the drop down menu, and click Submit Changes. This will remove that course section from your Current Schedule.

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Course Selection Chart for Potential Majors

The following chart has some recommendations for first year course selection based on potential major areas. Please note that these are suggestions based on the degree requirements for that particular major and the junior prerequisites needed for senior level courses. If additional courses are required over and above the recommended courses mentioned below, we encourage students to select courses to fulfill their distribution requirements for their degree type or take a variety of courses to see what interests them most. **Always keep in mind that students are not required to enroll in a full course load (15c.u. per term), and should only take what they feel they can handle. We strongly recommend students do not register for more than 3 lab courses per term.**

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| Aboriginal Public Administration             | • POLS 111.3
   • ECON 111.3
   • ECON 114.3
   • NS 107.3 |
| Anatomy and Cell Biology                      | • BIOL 120.3
   • CHEM 112.3
   • PHYS 115.3
   • MATH 125.3
   • PHYS 117.3 (T2)
   • BMSC 200.3 (T2)
   • CHEM 115.3 (T2) |
| Anthropology                                 | • ANTH 111.3
   • ARCH 112.3 |
| Archaeology (B.A.)                           | • 6 c.u. from ANTH 111.3, ARCH 112.3, ARCH 116.3 |
| Archaeology (B.Sc.)                          | • 6 c.u. from ANTH 111.3, ARCH 112.3, ARCH 116.3
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- ARTH 120.3  
- ARTH 121.3  
- ART 112.6  
- ART 141.3 |
| **Art - Art History**  
http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/arts-science/art-history/index.php |  
- ARTH 120.3  
- ARTH 121.3  
- 6 c.u. of 100 level ART |
| **Biochemistry**  
http://explore.usask.ca/programs/ar/biochemistry  
http://www.usask.ca/programs/arts_and_science/biochemistry.html |  
- BIOL 120.3  
- CHEM 112.3  
- PHYS 115.3  
- MATH 125.3  
- PHYS 117.3 (T2)  
- BMSC 200.3 (T2)  
- CHEM 115.3 (T2) |
| **Biochemistry and Biotechnology**  
http://explore.usask.ca/programs/ar/biochemistrybiotechnology  
http://www.usask.ca/programs/arts_and_science/biochemistry.html |  
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- CHEM 112.3  
- PHYS 115.3  
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- CHEM 115.3 (T2) |
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| **Linguistics – General and Applied Linguistics Stream** | • LING 111.3  
• LING 112.3 (T2)  
• 6 c.u. of Social Science, Humanities or Language                                            |
| **Linguistics – Language and Speech Sciences Stream** | • LING 111.3  
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| **Women’s & Gender Studies**         | ▪ WGST 112.3  |
Applying To A Direct Entry College

If you are planning to transfer to a different direct entry college within the University of Saskatchewan, the following courses can be applied towards that degree. If you change your mind and decide not to transfer to the other college, or are not admitted to that college, these courses can still be used in an Arts and Science degree program. Applicants who have attempted 18 credit units of transferable courses will be considered for admission into another College on the basis of their post-secondary grades.

**Please note it is ultimately the student’s responsibility to contact the College directly to confirm information regarding transfer credits and recommended classes**

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Prior to admission to the Edwards School of Business, students must have successfully completed one of the following:

A) Foundations of Mathematics 30 or Pre-calculus 30 (formerly Mathematics B30 & C30) or equivalents from high school
B) Mathematics B30 & MATH 104.6 (min. grade of 65%) at the university-level
C) MATH 110.3 at the university-level prior to admission.

In 2014, the Edwards School of Business guaranteed acceptance to students with a minimum transfer average of 68 % (may change year to year).

Recommended courses:

- ECON 111.3
- ECON 114.3
- MATH 110.3 or Math 121.3
- Any one of STAT 241.3, STAT 244.3, STAT 245.3, STAT 246.3, PLSC 214.3 or PSY 233.3 (each of these classes would be equivalent to COMM 104.3 in the B.Comm program)
- Up to 18 c.u. of 100 level non-commerce electives (at least 12 c.u. of these from the Social Sciences or Humanities)

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B.S.A.

- AGRC 111.3
- AGRC 112.3
- BIOL 120.3
- CHEM 112.3
- BIOL 121.3 (or BIOL 224 for ANSC)
- ECON 111.3
- CHEM 250.3 (or ECON 114 for AGEC)
- 6 c.u. of social science, humanities or fine arts courses
- One of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3 or 114.3, OR MATH 104.3, 110.3 or 125.3

**B.Sc. (Agbus)**

- One of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3 or 114.3
- AGRC 111.3, 112.3
- ECON 111.3, 114.3
- Six c.u. of social science, humanities or fine arts courses
- Six c.u. of natural science (Choose from Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Physics or Physical Geography.)
- MATH 104.3 or 110.3 or 121.3

**B.Sc. RRM**

- EVSC 110.3,
- GEOG 120.3 or GEOL 206.3
- BIOL 120.3, BIOL 121.3
- NS 107.3
- RRM 114.3
- CHEM 112.3
- ECON 111.3
- MATH 104.3 or 125.3
- Three c.u. of open electives

**B.Sc. (Animal Bioscience) (An Biosc.)**

- AGRC 112.3
- BIOL 120.3, 224.3
- CHEM 112.3, 115.3
- MATH 104.3 or 110.3 or 125.3
- ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3 or 110.6
- 3-6 c.u. chosen from humanities, social science or fine arts (3 cu if English 110.6 taken).

**Engineering**

[engineering.usask.ca](http://engineering.usask.ca)

Phone: (306) 966-5274
Email: engineering.studentcentre@usask.ca

Students who wish to transfer from Arts and Science to Engineering must apply by the **February 15th** deadline. Students must have completed 18 credit units or more to transfer to the College of Engineering. Entrance to the College of Engineering is competitive. The minimum average to be considered is 70%, but this does not guarantee admission.

Students thinking about transferring into the College of Engineering are advised to meet with an Engineering Academic Advisor.

Recommended courses:

- CMPT 111.3

- MATH 110 and MATH 116
- CHEM 112.3
- COMM 102.3 or COMM 101.3 or COMM 105.3
- One of BIOL 120.3, CHEM 115.3, GEOL 121.3 or PHYS 125.3 (science elective). Some programs may accept an additional course.
- 3 c.u. of Junior Humanities/Social Sciences from the acceptable electives list on the College of Engineering website or in the Program Catalogue under Year 1

Additional Humanities/Social Sciences electives, dependent upon program of interest. For the specific number of credit units, consult the Program Catalogue or the College of Engineering directly.

The following programs are ADVISED to take the science elective stated below in first year, otherwise it must be taken in FIRST TERM of the second year:
- Chemical Engineering - CHEM 115.3
- Civil or Geological Engineering - GEOL 121.3
- Environmental Engineering – MUST complete BIOL 120.3, CHEM 115.3 and GEOL 121.3 by the end of the year in which they have declared a program major.

Kinesiology
kinesiology.usask.ca

Tel: (306) 966-1101
Email: kin_advisor@usask.ca

Students who wish to transfer from Arts and Science to Kinesiology must apply by the February 15th deadline. Students transferring to Kinesiology will be ranked based on their averages. The top 58 students will be offered admission. Any student not admitted will be put on a ranked waiting list.

Recommended courses:
- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 224.3/BMSC 224.3
- ENG 110.6 or any two of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3
- MATH 104.3 or 110.3
- PLSC 214.3 or STAT 245.3 or PSY 233.3
- KIN 121.3
- KIN 122.3
- 6 c.u. of Humanities or Social Sciences (for a complete list of acceptable courses, consult the Course and Program Catalogue at http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/kinesiology/index.php)

Note: Students considering the combined B.Sc. (KIN)/B.Ed. degree program (if they wish to become a high school/secondary Physical Education teacher) are required to select NS 107.3 as part of their 6 c.u. of Humanities or Social Sciences.
**Applying To A Non-Direct Entry Level College**

Admission to the College of Arts and Science does not imply or guarantee that you will later be admitted to any professional college, regardless of intentions declared on your admission or registration form. Admission to professional colleges is highly competitive. Many students applying to professional colleges will not be accepted - for some professional colleges, only one or two out of every ten applicants are ever admitted.

We always recommend that students try to keep other options open. We encourage students, while completing their prerequisite courses for a professional program, to consider still working towards an Arts and Science major/degree in case they change their mind or do not get admitted to the professional college of their choice.

Many professional colleges have additional admission requirements (such as an entrance exam, interview, admission essay, related volunteer, or other experience, etc.). This information sheet provides only a guideline for required academic courses. You **must** consult the professional college directly to confirm entrance requirements. Web sites and contact information are provided below.

**Definition of a ”30-credit-unit year“:** Several professional colleges require that students complete one or more “30-credit-unit years”; and use the average achieved in these years to rank students for entrance purposes. This means that the student must complete 30 credit units in one Regular Session (September to April). Professional colleges will, in most cases, count summer courses towards academic entrance requirements; however, courses taken outside of September to April will not count towards the 30 credit units required for a “30 credit-unit year”. Marks in summer courses or in courses taken during years when fewer than 30 credit units are completed may also not be included in the average calculation done by the professional college for ranking. **Students must contact the professional college directly to confirm if marks from Spring/Summer session classes will count towards their application average.**

**Architecture**

For a list of institutions offering architecture programs, check out [www.acsa-arch.org](http://www.acsa-arch.org). Consult the Calendar of the school that you wish to attend. Courses in art & art history, geography, physics, and calculus are recommended.

**Chiropractic**

*Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College:*

[www.cmcc.ca](http://www.cmcc.ca)

Phone: 1-800-463-2923

E-mail: [admissions@cmcc.ca](mailto:admissions@cmcc.ca)
Each year CMCC accepts 192 new students into their four year Doctor of Chiropractic Degree program. Candidates need at least three full years of undergraduate university study (15 full year courses or 90 credit hours) and a CGPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. CMCC does not have course prerequisites; however, they recommend that students have a science background and suggest courses such as organic chemistry and biology with labs, introductory psychology, and some humanities and/or social sciences.

**Dentistry**

*University of Saskatchewan:*
http://www.usask.ca/dentistry/admissions/index.php
Phone: (306) 966-5117
Email: dentistry.admissions@usask.ca

Applicants must have completed **three full 30 credit unit years** of university level work leading to a degree. A minimum overall average of at least 70% in the pre-dentistry courses and a minimum cumulative weighed average of 75% over your two best 30-credit-unit-years are also required.

Required prerequisites:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3 or BIOL 224.3 or BMSC 224.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 250.3
- PHYS 115.3
- PHYS 117.3 or PHYS 125.3
- BMSC 200.3
- BMSC 230.3
- PHSI 208.6 (or its equivalent)
- 6 c.u. of Humanities or Social Sciences

**Education**

*University of Saskatchewan:*
www.usask.ca/education/
Phone: (306) 966-7654
Email: recruiting.education@usask.ca

Completion of at least 60 credit units, including the academic course requirements for either the Elementary/Middle Years or Secondary Sequential program. The deadline to apply for admission in September 2015 is December 15, 2014 and the pre-study of the 60 credit units are to be completed by April 30, 2015.

**Elementary and Middle Years, Compulsory Courses:**

- ENG 110.6 or equivalent

A minimum of 3 c.u. in:

- Mathematics (any mathematics or statistics class)
- Science (preferably with a laboratory component)
- Social Studies (Economics, History, Native Studies, Political Studies, Religious Studies, Anthropology, Sociology, Human Geography, Women’s and Gender Studies, or an approved course in Classics)
- Fine Arts (any Art, Art History, Drama, Drama History, Music or Music History class)
- KIN 121.3 or 122.3
- NS 107.3 or equivalent
- A minimum of 18 c.u. in Teaching Area 1
- A minimum of 12 c.u. in Teaching Area 2
- 3-18c.u. of external electives (to bring the total number of credit units up to 60c.u.)

Secondary Compulsory Courses:
- ENG 110.6 or equivalent
- NS 107.3 or equivalent
- A minimum of 24 c.u. with a minimum average of 60% in Teaching Area 1
- A minimum of 15 c.u. with a minimum average of 60% in Teaching Area 2
- 12 c.u. of external electives

The list of acceptable teaching areas can be found here: [www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/education/teaching-areas/index.php](http://www.usask.ca/programs/colleges-schools/education/teaching-areas/index.php).

**Law**

*University of Saskatchewan:*
[www.law.usask.ca](http://www.law.usask.ca)
Phone: (306) 966-5874
Email: [law.admissions@usask.ca](mailto:law.admissions@usask.ca)

The minimum requirement to enter the Juris Doctor (JD) program is two full years (60 credit units) of undergraduate study at a recognized university or the equivalent of such work. There is no defined pre-law program. Admission averages are calculated using your two best full years of study, which must each include a minimum of 24 credit units during the Fall/Winter Session (does not include any courses taken May-August or any graduate courses).

**Medicine**

*University of Saskatchewan*
[www.medicine.usask.ca](http://www.medicine.usask.ca)
Phone: (306) 966-4030
Email: [med.admissions@usask.ca](mailto:med.admissions@usask.ca)

For entry into Medicine fall of 2015 (application fall of 2014), Saskatchewan residents will be required to have completed a 4-year baccalaureate degree prior to entry into Medicine. Please refer to the College of Medicine website at [www.medicine.usask.ca/admissions](http://www.medicine.usask.ca/admissions) for a complete listing of admission requirements and announcements regarding future changes.

Applicants must also have completed Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) with a score of 26 and with no section score below an 8. The following courses are recommended in preparation for the MCAT but are not required for Admission to the College of Medicine:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3 or BIOL 224.3 or BMSC 224.3
- BMSC 200.3
- BMSC 230.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 250.3
- ENG 110.6 or any two of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3
- PHYS 115.3
- PHYS 117.3
- 6 credit units of Humanities or Social Sciences

**Nursing**

*University of Saskatchewan*

[http://www.usask.ca/nursing/](http://www.usask.ca/nursing/)

Phone: (306)-966-6221

Email: [nursing.advising@usask.ca](mailto:nursing.advising@usask.ca)

Students must have successfully completed English A30 and B30, Biology 30, Chemistry 30, and Foundations of Math 30 or Pre-Calculus 30 (or Math B30, or C30 recommended) in high school before starting their pre-professional first year. For the pre-professional first year, students must complete 30 credit units of the following prerequisite courses and earn a minimum weighted average of 60% for consideration of admission to the College of Nursing. When applying for admission to the College of Nursing, students have the option of selecting from the following locations to complete years 2-4 of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert, Ila-a-la-Crosse, La Ronge and Yorkton.

**Required Pre-Professional First Year Courses:**

- BIOL 120.3
- CHEM 112.3
- PSY 121.3
- 3 cu NS
- NUTR 120.3
- 3 cu of 100 level ENG
- 3 cu from STAT 244.3, STAT 245.3, STAT 246.3, or PLSC 214.3
- 3 cu of Social Science
- 6 cu of Open Electives

**Nutrition**

*University of Saskatchewan*

[www.usask.ca/pharmacy-nutrition/](http://www.usask.ca/pharmacy-nutrition/)

Phone: (306) 966-6327

Email: Undergrad-Pharmacy-Nutrition@usask.ca

To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition (B.Sc.) Nutr program, applicants must have a minimum average of 70% and at least 30 credit units of course work at the University level before April 30 of the year in which they are applying, including the following courses or their equivalents:

The required pre-Nutrition courses include:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 250.3
- ENG 110.6 or any two of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3 or FREN 121.3 (or 122.3) and FREN 125.3, or LIT 100.6
- PSY 120.3 and 121.3 or SOC 111.3 and 112.3
- 6 credit units of electives

**Occupational Therapy**

**University of Alberta**


Phone: (780)-492-2499

Email: mscot@ualberta.ca

Those interested in becoming occupational therapists must apply to the course-based Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MScOT). Minimum admission requirements include the completion of a four year undergraduate degree (e.g., BA, BSc, BComm, BEd, BPE, BFA) from a recognized academic institution with a grade point average of at least 3.0 in the most recent 60 credits. They must also present 2 prerequisite courses: one course in Statistics and one course in Human Anatomy (Physics courses do not fulfill the anatomy requirement). In addition, applicants are required to submit a curriculum vitae, two letters of recommendation and a personal statement describing their knowledge of occupational therapy and how their professional/academic/personal background has prepared them for the OT program and ultimately the OT profession.

**University of Manitoba**

[www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/medicine/units/medrehab/ot](http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/medicine/units/medrehab/ot)

Phone: (204) 789-3674

Email: motprog@cc.umanitoba.ca

The University of Manitoba offers a two-year Professional Master's Degree Program in Occupational Therapy. Prior to entering the Occupational Therapy program, students must obtain an undergraduate degree from a university recognized by the University of Manitoba. Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (B) in the last 60 credit hours of study and a minimum grade of "B" in each of the required prerequisite courses (or approved alternate courses).

Pre-requisite courses:

- ACB 310.3 or 221.3
- BIOL 224.3 or BMSC 224.3
- STAT 244.3 or STAT 245.3 or PLSC 214.3
- 3 c.u. (minimum) of PSY (most Psychology courses will be considered)
- 3 c.u. (minimum) of Social Sciences (most Sociology courses will meet the requirement. Cultural Anthropology and Human Geography will also be considered)

**Optometry**

**University of Waterloo**

[www.optometry.uwaterloo.ca/index.html](http://www.optometry.uwaterloo.ca/index.html)

Phone: (519) 888-4567, ext. 32782

Email: admsn@scibeacon.uwaterloo.ca

In order to be considered for admission, applicants must complete a minimum of three years of full-time university science studies (five courses per term) with a minimum overall average of 75%. Prerequisite courses must be completed by May 31 of the year in which they apply for entry.

Requirements for the School of Optometry can be completed at any university in Canada. All applicants have an equal chance for one of the 90 first year places. No university is given preference over another. In recent years, the average
overall university performance of the successful candidates has been approximately mid-80's with a range of 80-94%. The average OAT score was 370. For September 2012 admission, there were 300 applicants for the 90 first year spaces.

Pre-requisite courses:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 250.3
- MATH 110.3 or equivalent calculus (Math 125.3)
- PHIL 133.3 or PHIL 234.3
- PHYS 115.3
- PHYS 117.3 or 125.3
- PSY 120.3 or 121.3
- BMSC 200.3
- BMSC 210.3
- 3 c.u. of English
- 6 c.u. of Physiology (human or mammalian)
- 3 c.u. of Statistics

Pharmacy

*University of Saskatchewan*

[www.usask.ca/pharmacy-nutrition/](http://www.usask.ca/pharmacy-nutrition/)

Phone: (306) 966-6327

Email: Undergrad-Pharmacy-Nutrition@usask.ca

To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy (B.S.P.) program, applicants must have a minimum average of 70% and at least 30 credit units of course work at the University level before April 30 of the year in which they are applying, including the following courses or their equivalents:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 250.3
- ENG 110.6 or any two of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3, or FREN 121.3 or 122.3, AND FREN 125.3, or LIT 100.6
- 12 c.u. of electives in Humanities, Social Science, or Fine Arts
- 6 c.u. of which must be from PSY 120.3, PSY 121.3, SOC 111.3, 112.3, PHIL 110.6 (or 120.3 and 133.3), or NS 107.3 (formerly NS 105.3 and 106.3)

Physical Therapy

*University of Saskatchewan*

[www.usask.ca/physther](http://www.usask.ca/physther)

Phone: (306) 966-6579

Email: pt.admissions@usask.ca

Selection for admission is based upon academic performance (i.e. admission average) and interview performance. The minimum admission average that will be accepted is 70%. The admission average is a weighted average calculated using a minimum of 60 credit units. The most recent credit units at the time of application are used (up to and including Term 1 of the current year). For the purpose of calculating the admission average, all courses in a given term will be used. Applicants are ranked according to the admission average and the top 96 applicants are granted interviews. When computing applicants’ total admission scores, the admission average is weighted 60% and the interview score is weighted 40%. Applicants must hold a four-year baccalaureate degree (in any discipline) from a college or university of acceptable standing. The deadline for receipt of applications and all supporting documents is December 15. Students must first complete the online MPT application form available on the School of Physical Therapy website to ensure that they meet residency and admission
requirements before applying through the College of Graduate Studies and Research. Reference letters for the MPT are NOT required.

Required pre-requisite courses:
  6 c.u. of Human Physiology:
    ▪ PHPY 302.3 and one of PHPY 301.3, 303.3, HSC 350.3 (or equivalent*)
    ▪ Or PHSI 208.6
    ▪ ACB 310.3 (or equivalent*)
    ▪ STAT 245.3 or PLSC 214.3

*Applicants must seek and receive approval for equivalent courses from the Admissions committee well in advance of application.

Social Work

University of Regina
http://www.uregina.ca/socialwork/programs/index.html
Phone: (306) 664-7370 (Saskatoon Campus)

The Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program is offered through the University of Regina in Saskatoon. The BSW is comprised of 60cu of general university studies, which may be completed at the University of Saskatchewan, and 60cu of Social Work studies, completed at the Faculty of Social Work, Saskatoon Campus. Students wishing to pursue the BSW should first apply to University of Regina. Students will be placed in the category of Pre-Social Work. Pre-Social Work students must complete a minimum of 30 cu of prerequisite coursework before applying to be fully accepted into the BSW program (http://www.uregina.ca/socialwork/programs/Admittance-BSW/PrintableBrochure.pdf)

Social Work information sessions are held every three to four weeks at the Saskatoon Campus, 153-111 Research Drive. Please call us for the date of the next information session.

Pre-Social Work Program: 30 Credit Units

  ▪ One of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3 or 114.3. (If students take ENG 110.6, the additional 3 c.u. of English will be used to fulfill second year requirements)
  ▪ NS 107.3
  ▪ PSY 121.3
  ▪ SOC 111.3
  ▪ 18 c.u. of Arts & Science electives.

*Recommended electives include SOC 112.3, WGST 112.3, 6 c.u. of 200 level SOC and 3 c.u. of 200 level NS.

Speech-Language Pathology

University of Alberta:
http://rehabilitation.ualberta.ca/departments/communication-sciences-and-disorders
Phone: (780) 492-5990
Email: csd@rehabmed.ualberta.ca

The MSc-SLP program is the principal degree program in the Department of Communication Science & Disorders. It is designed to accommodate students who hold a four-year undergraduate degree in another area of study, such as
Education, Arts, or Science. An average of 80% is strongly recommended for a competitive application. Accepted pre-requisite courses from the U of S are listed at [www.rehabilitation.ualberta.ca/departments/communication-sciences-and-disorders/msc-in-speech-language-pathology/admissions/admission-requirements/pre-requisite-courses/university-of-saskatchewan](http://www.rehabilitation.ualberta.ca/departments/communication-sciences-and-disorders/msc-in-speech-language-pathology/admissions/admission-requirements/pre-requisite-courses/university-of-saskatchewan).

**Veterinary Medicine**

*University of Saskatchewan*

[http://www.usask.ca/wcym](http://www.usask.ca/wcym)

Phone: (306) 966-7459

Email: [wcym.admissions@usask.ca](mailto:wcym.admissions@usask.ca)

Applicants are required to successfully complete a minimum of 60 credit units prior to applying to the College of Veterinary Medicine, including the below prerequisite courses. It is strongly recommended that students register in 30 credit unit years, as those not taking a full course load could be at a disadvantage when having their academic performance evaluated. The application deadline is December 1st and students must have a minimum average of 75%.

Pre-requisite Courses:

- BIOL 120.3
- BIOL 121.3 or BIOL 224.3 or BMSC 224.3
- BIOL 226.3 or ANSC 313.3
- BMSC 200.3
- BMSC 210.3 or FABS 212.3
- CHEM 112.3
- CHEM 115.3
- CHEM 250.3
- ENG 110.6 or any two of ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3
- 6 credits of Math/Statistics from {MATH 104.3, 110.3, 125.3, STAT 103.3, STAT 244.3, STAT 245.3, STAT 246.3, PLSC 214.3, MATH 112.3 or MATH 116.3]
- PHYS 115.3
- 21c.u. of open electives
DegreeWorks

DegreeWorks is a degree audit service for students available through PAWS. It allows students to check their ongoing progress towards their degree, explains what courses they still have yet to complete, and helps them explore how their current courses would fit into a different major or program if they change their mind. DegreeWorks is a great way for students to have instant access to their degree progress and gives them the tools they need to make informed choices about what major or minor to choose, and what courses to register for.

As a new student, you have not yet started your degree, so the opening screen of DegreeWorks won’t provide much information. Once you have declared a major, the degree requirements for your chosen program will appear. Until that time, however, there is one very cool feature called “What If” that can help you plan out your initial course selection and allow you to see what courses you need to register for in order to complete your chosen degree. There are two ways you can use the What If feature:

**Before you register**, you can input the courses you are considering registering for, and DegreeWorks will show you how those courses would fit into the degree program of your choice. This could be very useful if you want to plan out your courses before registration opens up in late June. You can try out different course combinations or different degree programs to find the best fit of courses for your upcoming year.

**After you have registered** for your courses, you can use the “What If” function to see how your chosen courses will fit into the degree program of your choice. DegreeWorks will match your registered courses with the degree requirements of a specific major (and minor if desired), so you can see what you will have completed by the end of year 1 and what you would still have left to take. *Please note that choosing a major is required to complete a degree, but minors are optional.*

To use the What-if feature:

1. Log into PAWS and click on Academics, then further on Academic Profile and then “Map Your Degree Progress – Degree Works
2. Click on the “What If” feature from the left hand side menu bar.

3. Choose your desired degree from the “Degree” drop down menu (ex. “Bachelor of Arts Four-Year” or “Bachelor of Science Three-Year”)
4. Choose it again from the “Program” drop down menu (ex. “Bachelor of Arts (4 Yr)” or “Bachelor of Science (3 Yr)
5. Choose a major from the “Major” drop down menu
6. Choose a minor (if desired) from the “Minor” drop down menu – note that this field is optional
7. Choose Arts and Science from the “College” drop down menu

If you have not registered for courses yet, input the subject and course numbers of the courses you are thinking of taking (clicking “Add Course” after each one) until they all appear in the box under “Courses you are considering.”

8. Then click “Process What-If”
This should bring up a screen similar to your opening screen; however, this time it has the information at the top completed with the degree program, major, and minor (if applicable) that you selected. If you scroll down, you should see an estimated progress bar, the degree requirements for that specific program outlined, your registered or planned courses, and where they would fit into the degree requirements.

DegreeWorks also has a number of other features that will become useful as you progress further into your degree. For more information on DegreeWorks, or for a live demonstration of how to use it, make sure to attend one of our Arts & Science Information Sessions in June! You can also check out the FAQs and Help sections at the top of the audit in DegreeWorks for more tips and guides.

If you require technical support, or if the DegreeWorks channel is not visible under your Academics tab, you can call the ITS Help Desk at 306-966-4817. Their full contact information can be found at http://www.usask.ca/its/guides/help_desk/#help_desk.
On Campus Resources & Programs

Academic Advocacy Office

The Student’s Union offers an Academic Advocacy Office, which is committed to helping students deal with their academic grievances and violations of their student rights (grade appeals, problems with professors or TAs, academic dishonesty, academic hearings). The Academic Advocacy Office also provides academic information for students.

http://www.uusu.ca/ao/index.shtml

Disability Services for Students (Administration Building)

Disability Services for Students (DSS) assists students by offering programs and advocacy services to help foster an accessible and welcoming campus for all students. Students with disabilities are encouraged to register with DSS to gain access to valuable services and programs such as notetaking, alternate format textbooks, exam accommodations, classroom changes, library assistance, and assistive technology. Students wishing to register with DSS should do so as soon as possible, preferably in early August after they have registered for all of their classes. For more information visit www.students.usask.ca/current/disability, or contact DSS at 966-7273.

Discrimination and Harassment Prevention Services (Room 237, Research Annex)

Sexual harassment violates the principles of mutual respect and fair treatment. The Discrimination and Harassment Prevention Services (DHPS) Centre offers students confidential consultation; assistance in preventing, resolving, or investigating issues of discrimination or harassment; workshops/presentations; and activities that encourage respectful interactions on campus. Students in need of information or support can contact DHPS at 966-4936 or visit www.usask.ca/dhps.

Food Centre (Room 113, Memorial Union Building)

The Food Centre has emergency food hampers for students in need. It also is the campus coordinator for the CHEP Good Food Box, an alternative to grocery stores for getting fruit and vegetables. The Food Centre also offers a Fresh Food Market once a week, where students can purchase inexpensive fruits and vegetables on campus. Students can contact the Food Centre by phoning 966-1972, emailing food.centre@usask.ca, or dropping by the Centre during its office hours. More information can also be found at www.uusu.ca/foodcentre.

Health & Counselling (fourth and third floors, respectively, Place Riel)

The University operates Student Health, a clinic strictly for students, their spouses or partners, and children. It is on the fourth floor of Place Riel. There is also free personal counselling available to students at Student Counselling on the third floor of Place Riel. Student Health & Counselling Services provides urgent and non-urgent medical treatment, birth control and pregnancy testing, testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections, mental health assessment and
treatment, nutrition counseling, sport and athletic injury treatment, chiropractic and massage services, regular physical exams and check-ups, immunizations, shots, and injections. Check out www.students.usask.ca/health for more info.

**Help Centre (Arts Tunnel)**

The Help Centre offers support and referrals to students in almost any situation. There is space to hang out and meet supportive people. The Help Centre maintains a file of over 1000 exams from previous years. In addition, it also has a free phone, candy, condoms, and a kitchenette. You can become a volunteer at the Help Centre. www.ussu.ca/helpcentre.

**International Student and Study Abroad Centre (Room 80 Lower Place Riel)**

The International Student and Study Abroad Centre (ISSAC) is a resource for students who come from outside Canada and for students doing Study Abroad. It is accessible through both the Arts Tunnel and the Lower Place Riel food court.

International Students can get help with both the transition between their home and Saskatoon and to the U of S. ISSAC can help students find accommodation, get settled in Saskatoon, improve their English, and can provide assistance or referrals for almost any question. See www.students.usask.ca/current/international for more information about the services they provide.

**Safewalk**

Safewalk has teams of two volunteers walk students to their cars or places of residence within a 30 minute radius of campus. It is offered Sunday through Thursday from 8:30 pm to 11:30 pm. To get a Safewalk, call 966-SAFE (7233).

**Student Employment & Career Centre (Lower Marquis Hall)**

The Student Employment and Career Centre (SECC) provides assistance in the search for full-time, part-time, and summer employment. Students can get help exploring their career options, creating a resume and cover letter, or practicing for an interview. The SECC also coordinates employer information sessions and career fairs on campus, so students can meet industry professionals in their desired field. More information on their services can be found at www.usask.ca/secc.

**University Learning Centre (Murray Library)**

The University Learning Centre (ULC) was created to support and enhance teaching and learning at the university. Students can find a number of academic support programs and services to help them throughout their degree:

*Academic Help* – The ULC offers in-person and online writing help, math and stats help, study skills resources, and a variety of workshops to help enhance your academic skills
Learning Communities – A Learning Community (LC) is a small group of students who share common interests, ideas, and/or classes. First Year LCs are available in Term 1 (Fall) for first year students who wish to take common courses with other first years with similar academic interests. Interest-based LCs are available in Term 2 (winter) for all students interested in joining a community with others who wish to connect their common academic or personal interests to their local and global communities.

Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) Desk – located just outside of the ULC on the first floor of the Murray Library, the PAL Desk offers students on-the-spot study skills assistance about anything from exam preparation to note-taking tips.
U of S Community – Life Outside of Class

Aboriginal Students’ Centre (110 Marquis Hall)

The Aboriginal Student Centre (ASC) promotes the spiritual, physical, emotional, and mental well-being of Aboriginal students on campus. The ASC is a friendly and bustling place where students can hang out. New students can meet upper year students who provide peer support and tutoring. There are computers, printers, and a fax machine for students to use. The ASC offers a Fresh Food Market every week, where students can purchase inexpensive fresh fruits and vegetables. Students also have access to two elders. The ASC organizes an annual Graduation Powwow, holds pipe and sweatlodge ceremonies, provides workshops on skills such as beading, cooking, and crafting, and offers all students soup and bannock during the fall and winter terms.

Campus Clubs

There are a variety of different campus clubs based on various interests. Students who wish to start a new campus club may be eligible to be ratified by the USSU and receive funding. Visit www.uusu.ca/studentgroups/ratification.shtml for ratification information and www.uusu.ca/studentgroups/index.shtml for a list of currently ratified campus clubs.

Food and Drink

The nearest grocery store to campus is Sobey’s located at Cumberland Avenue and 8th Street. There are also Co-Op and Superstore locations further east on 8th Street.

On campus there are cafeterias in Arts, Agriculture, Education, Marquis Hall, and St. Thomas More College. There is a Subway in the PAC. There is an A & W in Arts. Louis’ pub and grill is in the basement of the Memorial Union Building, and Louis Loft, a coffee shop with Paninis and full menu, is on the top floor. There is a Dairy Queen at the corner of College Drive and Cumberland Avenue. Alexander’s restaurant is located on Cumberland Avenue just off College Drive.

U of S Culinary Services offers the Residence Dining Program and meal plans for all students. For more information visit www.usask.ca/consumer_services/culinaryservices/.

The USSU Food Centre provides emergency food hampers, offers a Fresh Food Market, and coordinates the CHEP Good Food Box program. The Good Food Box is a hamper full of a variety of fruits and vegetables delivered every two weeks at an affordable price. Visit www.uusu.ca/foodcentre for more information.
The Aboriginal Student Centre in Marquis Hall offers all students soup and bannock during fall and winter terms. They also offer a Fresh Food Market once a week.

Coffee and other beverages are available at Starbucks on the main floor of the Murray Library; Louis Loft on the upper floor of the Memorial Union Building; and Tim Hortons on the second floor of the Geology Building, on the first floor of Marquis Hall, in the Health Sciences Building, and in the Arts Tunnel.

**International Student and Study Abroad Centre (Room 80 Lower Place Riel)**

Like most all Universities the U of S offers Study Abroad opportunities for students wishing to take University courses in another country. Students are able to do a variety of different time commitments abroad, from a class, term, or an academic year abroad. There are a number of Universities around the world that the U of S has educational agreements with, some of which are program specific. You can apply for Study Abroad once you’ve completed 30 credit units of coursework, if you meet some other conditions. Visit [students.usask.ca/goabroad/](students.usask.ca/goabroad/) for more information.

**PAC Fit Centre and Campus Rec**

Student fees cover use of the Fit Centre gym facility at the PAC. There are fees for joining Campus Rec activities, but you may be able to get reimbursement from the ASSU for Campus Rec fees. The Fit Centre has cardio equipment, weights, squash and racquetball courts, a swimming pool, studios for free fitness classes (yoga, spin, etc.), an indoor running track, and a climbing wall. Campus Rec offers leagues in several sports at various competition levels and “learn to” events for various activities, such as fencing and kayaking. Check out [http://kinesiology.usask.ca/campus-recreation/2/](http://kinesiology.usask.ca/campus-recreation/2/) for more information.

**Pride Centre (Memorial Union Building)**

The Pride Centre welcomes people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. It is a vibrant space where students can take part in the Centre’s programming (such as queer men’s night, queer women’s night, or gender revolution) or just hang out with the many volunteers between classes. The Pride Centre also hosts a variety of events such as Drag Shows, speaker series, or workshops. You can become a volunteer at the Pride Centre. [www.usu.ca/pridecentre](www.usu.ca/pridecentre)

**Student Governance**

All undergraduate students are represented by the University of Saskatchewan Students’ Union (USSU). The USSU is governed by University Students’ Council (USC). USC is a 27 member body that represents students from each undergraduate College, indigenous students, and international students. Members of Student Council are elected by the students they represent. The elected four person USSU executive carries out the decisions of USC. The USSU executive
consists of a President, and Vice-Presidents in charge of Student Affairs, Academic Affairs, and Operations and Finance. Student government elections take place in March for the following academic year.

See www.ussu.ca for more information about the services the USSU provides.

College of Arts and Science students are represented by the Arts and Science Students’ Union (ASSU). The ASSU has a file of past exams, provides funding to students travelling for University related activities, refunds students for Campus Rec fees, stamps posters for display in Arts and Science buildings, and provides two scholarships annually. Visit www.arts.usask.ca/assu for more information.

**Women’s Centre (Memorial Union Building)**

The Women’s Centre is a positive space based on feminist activism. It welcomes feminist minded individuals of all sexual orientations and gender identities. The Women’s Centre organizes programming throughout the academic year. Women’s Centre volunteers are trained in peer support for women’s issues and are able to provide referrals. There are comfortable couches and a microwave for students looking for a friendly place to visit and have lunch. You can become a volunteer at the Women’s Centre. www.ussu.ca/womenscentre

**Huskies Athletics**

The U of S Huskies compete in the Canada West Conference of Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS). Men and women compete in basketball, cross country, hockey, soccer, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. Men also compete in football. **You receive free admission to every regular season Huskies home event with your valid student card.** Check out www.huskies.usask.ca/ for schedules.

**Other Fun Activities**

U of S Ballroom Dancing Club www.uofsbdcm.com

Murray Library Leisure Reading Collection – The Murray Library offers a small selection of leisure books across from the circulation desk. You cannot place holds or renew these books.

Community Association Programming – Community Associations across Saskatoon offer low priced classes for people of all ages in various activities, such as sports, dance, art, and cooking. Go to www.saskatoon.ca and find the Community Associations page. Click on the link for your community and then the All Classes link and you’ll find course information and registration information.
Volunteering Opportunities

The following is a list of some of the volunteering opportunities available to you.

On Campus

Alternative Reading Week www.usask.ca/ulc/csl/arw
Peer Health Educators www.students.usask.ca/current/life/health/peer-educator.php
International Student and Study Abroad Centre www.students.usask.ca/current/international/during/volunteer.php
USSU Centres and Safewalk www.ussu.ca/centres/volunteer.shtml
Campus Clubs and Groups www.ussu.ca/studentgroups/index.shtml
Note Taking for Disability Services for Students www.students.usask.ca/current/disability/notetaking/
University Learning Centre Peer Mentoring www.usask.ca/ulc/getinvolved
Orientation www.students.usask.ca/new/transition/orientation.php
On Campus Day www.explore.usask.ca/tours_and_events/oncampus.php

Off Campus

Volunteer Saskatoon has a list of available opportunities at www.volunteersaskatoon.com/
The Student Wellness Initiative Toward Community Health (SWITCH) is a student started initiative that is almost always looking for volunteers. http://switchclinic.ca/volunteers/how-to-volunteer/how-to-volunteer-u-of-s/
FAQs

Where can I get help in choosing my courses?

With over 100 junior level courses available in the College of Arts and Science, it's easy to understand why choosing courses can be such a tough decision for new students! It is okay to be unsure of what courses you wish to take. Be sure to read the course descriptions that are found in the Course and Program Catalogue at http://www.usask.ca/calendar/coursecat/index.php and make note of any courses that really interest you. Check out the program information at http://www.usask.ca/programs/ to find out what courses may be available in the subject areas you are interested in. If you are still unsure about your course selection, you can contact the First Year Advisors in the College of Arts and Science at (306) 966-4231 or email them at firstyear.advising@artsandscience.usask.ca

What is an easy course to take?

This may sound shocking, but there are no courses that every student will find easy. Courses a student may find "easy" will vary depending on his or her aptitudes and interests. The courses that students really enjoy are going to be the courses that they are most interested in, regardless of how challenging they find the course. Choose courses that you think you would enjoy.

Can you tell me which professors are “good”?

All professors at the University of Saskatchewan are highly qualified. Almost all professors have completed graduate training at the masters and doctoral levels following an undergraduate degree. Professors are very well informed and greatly interested in the subject areas that they teach. After all that time as students themselves, professors can often relate to any concerns you may have!

What do I do if I can’t get into a course?

Keep trying to register in the course on PAWS. Many students change their classes over the summer or in the first two weeks of class; therefore, spaces may become available. If you are still unable to register in a course in late August or early September, you can try contacting the department of that specific course.

What can I do with an Arts & Science degree?

Choosing to complete a degree in the College of Arts and Science means you are able to take a wide variety of courses that lead to a wide range of career choices. A liberal arts or science degree guarantees you a well-rounded education and a host of skills that will make you highly competitive in today's job market. If you are looking for specific careers that will relate to certain majors, start with department web sites for the specific subject or major that interests you. The Student Employment and Career Centre offers career counseling, so talk to a professional career counselor about different career paths. Do not hesitate to ask your professors for possible career options either. Many of them will know previous students who graduated in their field of study that work in other job areas.
When should I buy my textbooks?

There is no definite answer as to when students should buy their textbooks. If you choose to purchase your books earlier on, before the semester has begun, you will have a better chance of finding used copies (which are cheaper than buying new textbooks). Some students like to wait until after classes have started in case they decide to add or drop classes at the last minute. Waiting to buy your books until you have attended the first lecture can also be beneficial because some professors will provide guidance on which texts are required and which ones are only recommended. Some professors also put copies of the textbook on reserve in the library for short term student use, so if purchasing textbooks is a challenge for you, speak to your professor about whether this option will be available.

What should I do if a textbook I need is sold out?

The U of S Bookstore usually orders the same number of required textbooks as there are students registered in a class. If your textbook is sold out, ask the staff in the Bookstore if more are coming. Alternatively, you could buy a used copy from another student. If an older edition is being sold make sure to double check with your instructor that older editions of the textbook will work. Students will often post ads for used books outside classrooms or on PAWS in the classified ads section of the Campus Life tab.

What kind of supplies do I need for class (other than the required textbook)?

This depends on the class. Some courses may require you to purchase supplies for lab or project work, while others may only involve note taking. Students will generally show up to their first lecture with something to take notes with (a notebook and pen, a laptop, printed notes, etc.).

Where and how do I get a locker?

Lockers can be rented from the student society of the building the lockers are in. For example, if you are looking to rent a locker in the Arts building, you would need to contact the ASSU(Arts 218).

Who can get a food card? Where do I get it?

For students that live in Residence, your student card is your meal card. Your student card will be swiped at the till for all your meals. Meal plan cards are also available for purchase by any member of the campus community. For more information, visit [www.usask.ca/consumer_services/culinaryservices/meal_plans/](http://www.usask.ca/consumer_services/culinaryservices/meal_plans/)

Why should I sign up for a learning community?

There are many benefits to joining a learning community as a first year student. First Year Learning Communities are only available to first year students in their fall term, so your opportunity to participate in one is now! Because your entire learning community will be registered in a common set of courses, you are guaranteed to know someone in those classes, which can be very helpful if you want to study with someone or borrow class notes. For students coming from out of town or without a pre-defined group of friends, joining a learning community can also be a great way to meet new
people with similar interests. Since learning communities are theme-based, it is likely that you’ll find students in your group that share common interests or academic goals with you (like applying to a specific professional college such as Medicine or Education). Learning community hours also give you the chance to explore possible connections between your courses in a rich and diverse way. You will get to interact with peer mentors, who are students that have been where you are and found a way to succeed and thrive in the university setting. The learning community hours will cover topics such as writing a University style essay, mastering multiple choice exams, learning how to talk to your professors, assistance in finding summer jobs, career paths, and so much more. Spaces fill up fast, so make sure to guarantee your spot before registration opens in June!

**Can I still join a learning community after registration has begun?**

Yes – although we strongly recommend that students sign up for a learning community before June 22nd to guarantee their spot. Once registration opens, registration for a learning community will be based on the availability of remaining spaces.

**What do you do if you need extra help with a class?**

There are various resources available to students who need extra help with their classes. The University Learning Centre provides free study skills workshops, math and stats help, and writing help to all students. Students interested in hiring a tutor can check the USSU tutor registry (http://fms.ussu.ca/fmi/iwp/cgi?db=TutorRegistry&loadframes) or speak to a specific department about available tutors for a specific course or subject. The USSU Help Centre maintains an exam file of over 1000 old exams that students can use while studying. Most professors will also have scheduled office hours throughout the term for students in their class. Students are encouraged to visit their professors during those times if they need clarification about course concepts, assignments, or grading.

**Do I have to do a four year degree in four years?**

No. The “Four Year” in a Four Year Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree refers to the amount of time it would take a student to complete the degree if they were registered in a full course load, from September to April, for all four years. It is not a maximum amount of time allowed to complete the degree, or a deadline of any kind. In fact, a large number of students choose to take fewer than five courses per term because they are also working part-time, thus extending the length of their degree by a term or two.

**When do I declare my major?**

*We recommend that students declare a major by the end of their second year.* This allows students to focus on completing the courses required for their major (degree requirement #6), some of which are restricted to students who have declared a major in that specific subject or program.

**How do I declare my major?**

Students can declare their major (and minor, if desired) through PAWS, under the Arts & Science tab. Alternatively, students can also visit the Undergraduate Student Office in person and complete a form to declare their major/minor.
How long do I have to drop a course without receiving a penalty?

Every term there are numerous registration deadlines that dictate how much tuition will be refunded to students for dropped courses and whether an academic penalty will apply. For a list of the registration deadlines, see www.students.usask.ca/deadlines.

Is taking five courses going to be really difficult?

It depends. Many students, especially those who have other commitments outside of school (volunteering, part-time job, children, etc.) can sometimes find a full course load very demanding. What courses you register for can also make a big difference. Taking five lab-based courses will be much more time consuming than five non-lab based courses. We advise students to take no more than three lab based classes a semester. Doing more is do-able, but students should pay especially close attention to the registration deadlines and think carefully about whether they can handle their course load before the deadline to avoid academic penalty passes. Students have to keep in mind that lab-based courses will have lab assignments, quizzes, and lab finals on top of the demands of their regular class work.

Students will also often take courses during the summer in order to reduce their course load during the Fall/Winter term. If you are thinking of applying to a professional college ensure that you fulfill their requirements for how many courses you have to take each semester prior to applying.

Is it hard to make it to class on time with the 10 minute break?

For most students, 10 minutes is enough time to make it to their next class. However, be conscious of where your classes are located. It can be difficult to run from Health Sciences to Engineering or Archaeology in ten minutes if weather conditions are bad. When creating your schedule, it is always important to remember to leave time in your day for eating and bathroom breaks! For students with mobility issues, speak to the professors about possible accommodation.

How much time is recommended for students to spend working on school work outside of class?

A general rule of thumb is that students should spend two hours on school work outside of class for every one hour spent in class. So, if you have a course that requires you to attend three hours of lecture per week, you should probably be spending an additional 6 hours outside of class reading your textbooks, making notes, studying, or working on assignments.

What average is required to continue on to second year?

For a student to continue on to second year, without being required to discontinue or put on probation, they need to maintain a CWA of 56.00% or higher. If they have attempted 18 to 30 credit units and have attained an average between 50.00% and 55.99% then they will be placed on probation, meaning that they can continue on in the College of Arts & Science, but will be required to take fewer classes with a maximum of four classes per semester. If someone falls below a 50.00% after attempting 18 to 30 credit units then they will be required to discontinue from the College of Arts and Science for a year. If ever placed on probation or required to discontinue it is important that that student sees an academic advisor for academic counseling and to devise a strategy for success.
Is it true that the first lecture in a class isn’t usually very long?

The length of the first lecture is up to the professor of the class. Often the first day of a class can run shorter than normal; however, students should plan on being available for the full length of time.

Are there labs or tutorials the first week of school?

Labs typically begin in the second week of classes; however, you should check with your professor.

How do I access my class notes?

If your professor decides to provide class notes or slides, they will be posted in Blackboard (accessible through your PAWS account). Keep in mind that not all professors choose to provide notes or summaries, so you should always be prepared to take your own during your lecture, tutorial, etc.

Are students allowed to make audio recordings of lectures for personal use?

This depends on the professor. You must ask the permission of your professor before you make a video or audio recording of any lecture, tutorial, etc.

What happens if you’re late with handing in an assignment/essay/project?

The course syllabus you receive from your professor should indicate his or her policy on late assignments. Often, a small percentage of your grade will be deducted each day you are late, up until a point when you would receive a zero. Regardless of your professor’s late policy, you must complete all of the assignments or it could result in an “incomplete fail on your transcript, not matter how well you have done in other assignments.

How approachable are professors and TAs when it comes to extra help?

Most professors and TAs are very approachable when it comes to providing their students with clarification on course concepts. You can visit your professor or TA during assigned office hours or contact them about scheduling a private appointment. That being said, professors and TAs are usually less inclined to provide help to students who have decided to regularly skip class or are requesting help the night before an exam. Who should I talk to if I want to get into a professional college to transfer to a different college?

If you are interested in applying to another college or university, it is important that you contact that institution for advising. Academic advisors in the College of Arts & Science can help you choose courses that could fit into a variety of program types, in case you change your major, and they can also help you determine how the requirements for a professional college like Medicine or Education could fit into a degree in Arts & Science. However, advisors in the College of Arts & Science cannot tell you exactly what you need to gain admission into an alternate college, and may not have the most up-to-date information and advice that is available within the alternate college.
Is a clicker really needed or can I do without?

If it’s listed as a requirement for the course then you will need it. A clicker can be used to track attendance or participation in in-class quizzes and other important class components. The Campus Computer Store sells new and refurbished clickers.

What happens if I get lost on campus?

Ask someone – people are very friendly! If you are outside, you can always use the Arts building as a reference point (it’s the tall tower). Alternatively, you could be proactive and book a campus tour. Visit http://explore.usask.ca/tours_and_events/tours.php to learn about the tours available.

What do I do if I still have more questions?

If you still have more questions, you can attend an Arts and Science Information Session (see the Checklist at the beginning of this handbook for the dates), or make a private academic advising appointment with one of our First Year Advisors. We offer advising appointments in person, over the phone, by email, or through Skype. To make an appointment, call (306) 966-4231 or email firstyear.advising@artsandscience.usask.ca.