

# ARTS AND SCIENCE UPDATE

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## **Biology professor to receive USask Distinguished Teacher Award**

Biology professor Dr. Neil Chilton (PhD) has taught 10 undergraduate courses and five graduate courses during his 20 years at USask. During the 2011-12 academic

year, he earned the College of Arts and Science Teaching Excellence Award, followed by the Provost's College Award for Outstanding Teaching. He has also received the USSU Teaching Excellence Award twice.

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### **USask Department of Indigenous Studies celebrates achievements**

The Department of Indigenous Studies celebrated 40 years of "indigenizing the academy" in September. The purpose of the day was to celebrate the department's alumni and hear about the accomplishments of former and current students and faculty.

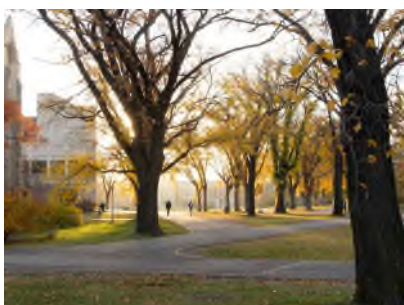
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### **USask 'clones' researcher wins international award**

USask computer scientist Dr. Chanchal Roy (PhD) was given the Clones Lifetime Achievement Award at the 17th International Workshop on Software Clones in Bogota, Colombia on Oct. 1. He is the second person to receive the award. Roy is a previous recipient of the College of Arts and Science's New Scientist Research Award, USask's New Researcher Award and the CS-Can/Info-Can Outstanding Young Computer Science Researcher Award.

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### **USask moving up in international subject rankings**

USask achieved high rankings in multiple areas in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings by Subject and the ShanghaiRanking Global Ranking of Academic Subjects. USask ranked in all

possible 11 subjects in the THE list, including making significant moves in science and engineering subject areas.

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**Mahshid Zadehsoltani — Administrative Assistant, College of Arts and Science**

**Q: When did you start working in the College of Arts and Science?**

I joined the College of Arts and Science on October 10th, 2023.

**Q: Using two sentences, how would you describe your work in the college?**

In the college, I provide crucial support for the Communication department, managing office tasks and ensuring smooth communication. I thoroughly enjoy the vibrant environment and working with the wonderful people here.

**Q: What activities do you enjoy outside of work?**

Outside of work, I enjoy nurturing my plants and practicing textured artworks, even as a beginner. Quality time with my family holds a special place in my heart, and I also love hiking to stay active and connect with nature.

**Q: What is something people may find surprising about you?**

Something surprising about me is my deep passion for art despite being a beginner. I love creating textured artworks in my spare time, self-taught through YouTube videos. The creative process brings me immense joy, and I'm always striving to improve my skills, expressing my creativity uniquely.

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# IT BITS AND BYTES

## Understanding researchers' IT needs

Research is one of the driving forces of success at the University of Saskatchewan, and ICT understands that the IT needs of researchers can be as complex as the topics they study. IT can help researchers with everything from procuring hardware and software, to data management and security.

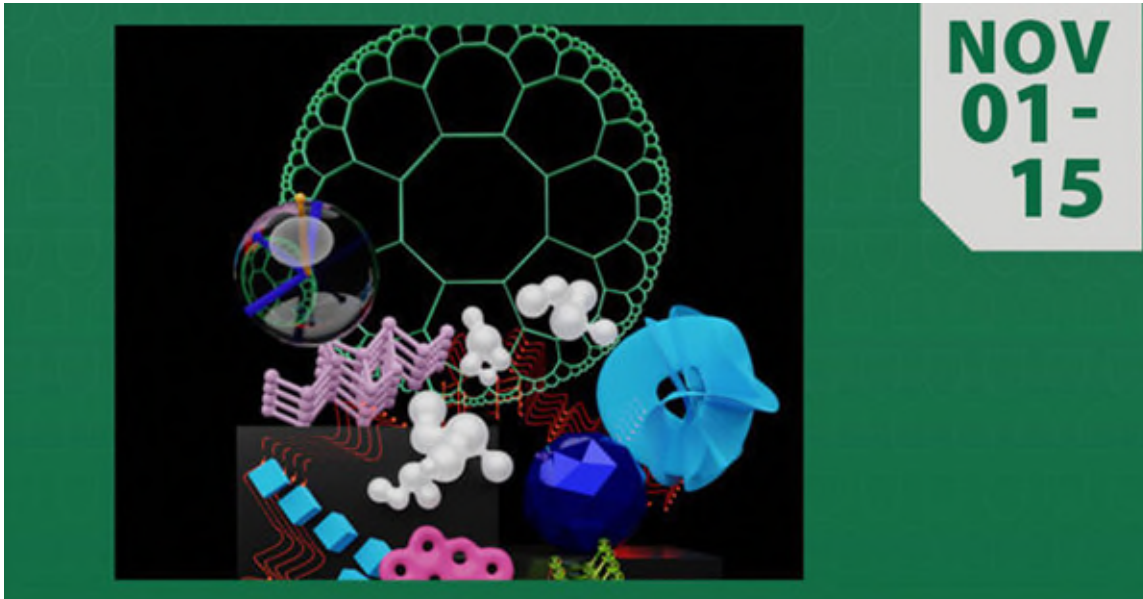
If your needs are straightforward, IT can manage your systems for you to keep things up to date and secure. If what you need doesn't fit the mold, IT can collaborate with your team to provide custom security solutions while still maintaining data security and network integrity. We also offer storage solutions to help keep your data backed up and safe while still being able to share your findings with the people and organizations that need to see it.

If you have hardware that needs replacing, we can also assist with making recommendations to fit your needs or work with you to find options not publicly available from IT Requisitions. In this way we can help facilitate your purchasing while ensuring that hardware meets university standards.

If any of this sounds helpful to you, don't hesitate to contact your IT support group by filling out [our form](#) to request a consultation.

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## Upcoming Events



## quanTA

The latest collaborative exhibition at the Snelgrove Art Gallery is between quanTA: the Centre for Quantum Topology and its Applications, the University of Saskatchewan Art Galleries and Collections, and the Museum of Natural Sciences. Art is one methodology used to take what words and equations cannot describe and reveal hidden rhythms in the science behind quantum innovations. The exhibition continues until **Nov. 15**.

Until Dec. 15 [Dorothy Knowles: by the water](#)

Until Dec. 15. [The Camera is an Instrument](#)

Nov. 10 [Understanding and Resisting Epistemic Injustice](#)

Nov. 16 [Bateman Lecture: Canadian Speculative Fiction and the Historical Imagination](#)

Nov. 17 [Toward a Karendtian Theory of Political Evil](#)

Nov. 19 [USask Music Graduate Program Open House](#)

Nov. 20 [An insightful panel discussion on Indigenous research](#)

Nov. 22 [An Inquiry into Ukrainian Classical Music](#)

Nov. 22-Dec.2 [Faustus: a devised creation](#)

Nov. 22 [Literature Matters: Jane Austen Adjacent](#)

Nov. 23 [The Persistence Paradox](#)

Nov. 24 [Zero-Sum Thinking and the Roots of U.S. Political Divides](#)

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## In the Media

**Saskatoon StarPhoneix:** [November gallery roundup: Gordon Snelgrove Gallery](#)  
(with director Jake Moore, PhD, University Art Galleries and Collections, Nov. 2)

**Global News:** [University of Sask. expands clinical psychology program to increase student intake](#) (with professor Megan O'Connell, PhD, Department of Psychology and Health Studies, Oct. 30)

**CBC News:** [Sask. researchers aim to help ovarian cancer survivors still be able to have kids after treatment](#) (with assistant professor James Benson, PhD, Department of Biology, Oct. 11)

**The Conversation Canada:** [Saskatchewan's revised policy for consulting Indigenous nations is not nearly good enough](#) (with assistant professor Kathy Walker, PhD, Department of Political Studies, Oct. 2)

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