USask team, St. John Ambulance partner on skills training for therapy dog handlers

College of Arts and Science researcher Dr. Colleen Dell (PhD) and her team have partnered with St. John Ambulance in Saskatchewan to offer a first-of-its-kind
online certificate course to improve the abilities of therapy dog handlers to prepare and support their interactions with the program’s participants.

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**Fall Convocation celebration**

USask will celebrate nearly 1,000 students receiving degrees, certificates and diplomas at Fall Convocation at Merlis Belsher Place on Nov. 9. The College of Arts and Science ceremony begins at 2 pm. Visit the [Class of 2022 website](#) to watch the event or read stories about some of our graduating students.

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**Kyla Denton wins 2022 USask Safety Award**

Kyla Denton, administrative coordinator for the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, is the winner of the USask Safety Recognition Award for 2022. Denton has a history of spearheading safety initiatives in her department and building.

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**Education, arts and humanities strong USask performers in THE subject rankings**

USask is moving up the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings by Subject, thanks in part to strong performances in arts and humanities, computer science, physical sciences, life sciences, social sciences, psychology and economics.
Submit a nomination for the College of Arts and Science RSAW Awards

The College of Arts and Science RSAW awards have been redeveloped into three distinct award categories. One award will be made in each of the Distinguished and New Scholar categories with no categorization based on "scientist" versus "artist/scholar." In addition, a new award recognizing Publicly Engaged Scholarship has been introduced and is open to all faculty members in the college of any career stage or discipline. The recognition to awardees will be a gift of local or Indigenous artwork.

The deadline for submitting nomination packages is Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2023. Please submit your nomination packages to Tara Hackl.

USask researchers co-lead climate science satellite mission with Canadian Space Agency and NASA

Dr. Adam Bourassa (PhD) and Dr. Doug Degenstein (PhD) of the Department of Physics and Engineering Physics are leaders of a national team developing new climate science satellite instruments that will be launched into space as part of a large NASA satellite mission.

Settee brings a northerner’s perspective to global climate issues

Dr. Priscilla Settee (PhD), interim vice-dean Indigenous of the College of Arts and Science, recently returned from a cross-Canada trip where she spoke about her research to First Nations and federal government leaders. This week, Settee is
attending COP27, the 2022 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Egypt.

By the numbers

23: The years that Teri the spotted gar lived in a pond at USask's Museum of Natural Sciences. Teri rarely moved, but was well-loved by visitors and staff of the museum. Teri the gar died in late October.

Awards and Accolades

Dr. Samuel Butler (PhD) and master’s student Mark Lepitzki of the Department of Geological Sciences have been awarded $30,000 from Research Junction, a collaboration between USask and the City of Saskatoon. The team will use cutting-edge geophysical techniques to investigate and assess the structure of Saskatoon’s riverbanks.

Dr. Tina Greenfield (PhD), adjunct professor in the Department of Archaeology and Anthropology, has been awarded a SSHRC Insight Development Grant of $71,200 for a project titled sEARCH (sinku Environmental ARCHaeology).

Upcoming Events
USask will host its annual Remembrance Day wreath-laying ceremony at the Memorial Gates on campus on Friday, Nov. 11 at 1:30 pm. A ceremony has been held at the Memorial Gates every year for the past 93 years in honour of the service and sacrifice of Canadian veterans, and those who continue to serve. The Remembrance Day ceremony is open to everyone.

Until Dec. 16  Anna Plesset: Various Records
Until Dec. 16  Andréanne Godin: Si Bleu Qu’est Notre Temps
Until Dec. 16  Laura St. Pierre: SÈME LA PEAU
Until Nov. 11  SK Printmakers: Climatica
Nov. 8  Mark Abley: What To Do With a Humanities Degree
Nov. 14  Global Café: Canada in the World
Nov. 18  USask Jazz Ensemble Concert
Nov. 23  Action and Gesture: A Classical Pianist’s Guide to Prescriptive Notation
Nov. 23–Dec. 3  Greystone Theatre: Sir John A
Nov. 25  Global Café: For Women, For Life, For Freedom
Nov. 25  USask Wind Orchestra: Dancing Through Time
Nov. 27  University Chorus and Greystone Singers: Light and Hope
Nov. 30  Literature Matters: Arts-Based Programming in Prisons
Dec. 2  USask Concert Band: Celebrating New and Traditional Music for Wind Band
Dec. 4  USask Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Serenades
In the Media

The Conversation: Convicted murderer Colin Thatcher’s invitation to the Saskatchewan legislature diminishes us all (by Dr. Kathy Walker, PhD, Department of Political Studies, and Dr. Susan Gingell, PhD, Emerita, Department of English, Nov. 3)

Toronto Star: ‘Saviour for the world:’ Saskatchewan fills resource gaps caused by war in Ukraine (with Dr. Joel Bruneau, PhD, Department of Economics, Oct. 23)

CTV News: State of glaciers in the Canadian Rockies is 'dire right now,' expert warns (with Dr. John Pomeroy, PhD, Department of Geography and Planning, Oct. 25)

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