

“TOP TEN” UPDATE

ENROLMENT SERVICES September 2018 Edition

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10. Deadlines

- **Faculty of Education:**
 1. **U of R** programs – Elementary, Secondary
 - **NEW!** Priority deadline of **March 15** (programs stay open until they reach capacity)-apply using TEAP
 2. **First Nations University Indigenous Education** programs – Elementary, Secondary
 - Two intakes: **March 31** and **June 30**-apply using the Indig Ed form
 3. **Baccalaureate en Education** programs – Elementary, Secondary
 - Priority deadline of **March 15** (programs stay open until they reach capacity)
 - High province-wide demand for French-speaking teachers-apply using Bac form

- **Faculty of Nursing:** The Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science (SCBScN) is offered in partnership with Saskatchewan Polytechnic. Applications to the SCBScN are accepted at Saskatchewan Polytechnic during the following dates:
 1. **Domestic Applicants:** October 1 - February 15
 2. **International Applicants:** October 1 - December 31

9. Publications

- **New Parent Piece** - this piece is meant for parents of students in Grades 9-12. It includes information about general admissions requirements/courses students should take to keep their options open, information about financing an education, and a step-by-step guide to the application process. We encourage you to share this piece with parents at your Grade 9 Open Houses in the spring.
- **New Indigenous Piece** - this piece showcases our Indigenous programs and services for Indigenous students. It also includes admissions, housing, and funding information.
- **Undergraduate Calendar** - This is the last year that the Undergraduate Calendar will be printed. However, we will provide you with printed key sections in future years.
- **Updated Pieces** - the Viewbook and the Counsellor Information poster have both been updated for the 2018-19 school year.



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8. Changes to Final High School Admission Requirements

- Arts:
 - Added: Accounting 30, Catholic Studies 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Graphic Arts 30, Information Processing 30, Photography 30, Theatre Arts 30, and Wildlife Management 30.
 - Added: Workplace and Apprenticeship Math 30 as an approved Math or Science
- Education:
 - Added: Accounting 30, Catholic Studies 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Graphic Arts 30, Information Processing 30, Photography 30, Theatre Arts 30, and Wildlife Management 30.
- Kinesiology:
 - Added: Catholic Studies 30, nēhiyāwiwin (Cree) 30, Christian Ethics 30, Accounting 30, Communication Media 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Exercise Science 30L, and Information Processing 30

7. Admission Averages

- **NEW!** Social Work – Required admission average is now 70% (was 65%).
- Nursing – Reminder that we can't use the "starred" courses on the Admission-At-A-Glance sheet for the early conditional admission average. This includes Arts Ed, Band, Choral, Dance, Drama, Music, Entrepreneurship, Graphic Arts, Theatre Arts, Visual Art, Physical Education, and Wildlife Management. We suggest that anyone applying to Nursing applies to a "plan B" program such as Kinesiology & Health Studies so they will be able to take advantage of using these courses in their scholarship average!

6. Final Official Transcripts

- Final transcripts must be official (not faxes, scans, or photocopies) and must be submitted by August 1 to complete a student's conditional acceptance. Official transcripts can either be ordered from the Ministry of Education to come to us directly (electronically), or the student can order their original official transcript to be mailed to themselves, and they can bring us or mail us that paper transcript. The Ministry of Education no longer automatically mails out paper transcripts to graduates in July.

5. Students Choose Their Room

- If students apply for admission by the March 15 can choose their own room in Housing.
- Students will receive a room selection time-ticket later in March.
- The sooner they apply for Housing, the sooner their time-ticket will be.
- They will be able to select exact rooms, not just room types.
- Students can select roommates by selecting rooms at same time, so this means they need to have the same time-ticket, or wait until their friend's time-ticket is available.
- Room selection is not mandatory, and students will be assigned if they didn't self-select.



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4. Admissions-on-the-Spot

- If there are students who only have four instead of five of the EC admission subjects, we will take those as long as their average is a minimum of 70%.
- We can now process Education applications at AOTS!
- Upcoming AOTS dates (in addition to Fall Open House):
 - Regina - December 7 - will start at 1:30 PM since students are off school this day
 - Moose Jaw - December 6
 - Brandon- November 22
 - Saskatoon - November 29

3. New Programs

- **Certificate in Law and Society** – Faculty of Arts (30 credit hours in the program)
- **Certificate in Animation** – Faculty of MAP (18 credit hours in the program, and must meet regular admission requirements for admission)
- **Diploma in Film Production** – Faculty of MAP (30 credit hours in the program, and must have a degree for admission)
- **Diploma in Computer Science** – Faculty of Science (60 credit hours-was previously named the Certificate in Computer Science)
- **Diploma in Indigenous Communication Arts** – Faculty of Arts (60 credit hours-was previously named the Certificate in Indigenous Communication Arts)
- **Certificate in Indigenous Literatures in English** – Faculty of Arts (15 credit hour program)
- **Certificate in Early Childhood for the Helping Professions** – Faculty of Education/CCE (15 credit hours-can apply from high school-can be primary or secondary program-can do it in 2 semesters-use the CCE application)
- **Certificate of Early Childhood Teachers and Helping Professions** (15 credit hour program through Faculty of Education (need a completed Ed degree for admission,))
- **Certificate in Extended Studies in Early Childhood Education** – Faculty of Education (30 credit hours above and beyond their original degree – gives current teachers an increase in their pay band – need a completed Ed degree or be completing an Ed degree currently for admission-use the regular U of R application; not the TEAP)
- **Certificate in Statistics** – Faculty of Science (30 credit hours in the program-can't be done in two years, but can allow students to work while they do the certificate, or do alongside a degree)
- **Pathway Program** – Faculty of Science & Faculty of Kinesiology now both offer this specialized program for students to complete when they have encountered systemic challenges that may have presented a barrier for them to meet the regular admission requirements. This could include situations such as limited access to courses in remote Northern areas, lack of educational supports, breakdown of family support, or other unique personal circumstances. With the option to look at students individually and holistically, we are ensuring all students have a chance to access higher education. Admissions are decided by the faculty after reviewing a letter written by the applicant. If the applicant is accepted, they are enrolled in



mandatory student success programming that includes workshops on time management, note-taking, exam preparation, reflective journaling, and guided homework sessions. These students are also required to meet with their academic advisors and are limited to two additional credit courses on top of the student success workshops. The aim is to transition students gradually into University, while giving them a solid foundation to build on.

2. English Language Proficiency

- If evidenced by high school studies, the applicant must have a minimum of 3 years of studies at the secondary level in a curriculum where English is the main medium of study.

1. Money Matters

- The U of R continue to offer the following scholarships automatically at the point of admission to students* who demonstrate high academic merit on their early conditional admission average:
 - \$3,000 – 95%+
 - \$1,500 – 93-94.99%
 - \$1,000 – 90-92.99%
 - \$1,000 – 85%+ for Faculty of Business Administration

*applicants must be applying directly from a Canadian high school or be a Canadian citizen applying directly from a foreign high school

- Application-required Entrance Awards deadline continues to be March 15
- There are a few positive changes to the Saskatchewan Student Loan program which include:
 - New this year, when you apply for a student loan, you can choose to access the grants-only funding and decline the loan portion.
 - There is a new grant of \$1,600 per year available to adult learners who have been out of high school for at least 10 years
 - There is an existing grant for students with children, which has had a change in the way the grant is calculated. An eligible student whose income is below the low-income threshold will continue to receive the full grant of \$47 per week. If your income is higher than the low-income threshold, the grant will be lower.
- Some helpful reminders:
 - Normally, students are expected to contribute up to \$3,000 per year to their educational costs, but Indigenous students, students with permanent disabilities, students with children, and students who are/were crown wards are exempt from this requirement.
 - Students who have been out of high school for four years or more before the first day of class of the current study period, or who have been in the workforce for at least two years (two periods of 12 consecutive months) before the first day of class of the current study period, are considered an independent student (no expected contribution from parents).



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