



# Student Career News

## News

You can access past issues of the PSSD Student Career News at <https://www.prairiesouth.ca/students/student-career-news/>

1. [Prairie South Scholarships](#) will be opening near the beginning of semester two. Information will be sent out to schools when scholarships become active. All these scholarships are due **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.
2. Prairie South has partnered with the [Regina District Industry Education Council \(RDIEC\)](#) to provide numerous [Career Spotlights](#). These run 30-60 minutes, usually over lunch hour, but they're also archived on the [RDIEC YouTube Channel](#). Upcoming career events include [Firefighter](#), [Dentistry](#), [Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting](#), [Chiropractor](#), and the [Work Prep Centre](#) (explore career options using virtual reality).
3. **Apprenticeship opportunities!**
  - [Apprenticeship Credits](#) allow students to earn a wage and up to 4 credits (Apprenticeship A20, B20, A30 and B30). Students need to secure employment with an approved journey person, complete the requisite paperwork, and work 100 hours (which count toward journey status).
  - [Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship \(SYA\)](#) scholarship nomination packages will soon be sent to all participating high schools. Last year numerous Prairie South students received a \$1,000 scholarship. There is still ample time for students to complete a SYA passport and earn 300 apprenticeship hours as well as the opportunity to win a \$1000 scholarship.
4. [Skills Canada](#) is a great opportunity for students to demonstrate their skills and have fun. Students learn about the skilled trades and technology careers through hands-on activities and demonstrations. Saskatchewan's provincial virtual student competition will take place **April 12-21**. Please keep checking the site for more updates.
5. [The Communicating for Agriculture Education Program](#) offers students the opportunity to gain agricultural work experience in various parts of the world.
6. **Want to learn French?**  
[Explore](#) is a five-week intensive language-learning program for grade 11 & 12 students who want to learn or want to continue to learn French as an additional language. Participants will receive a \$2200 bursary and have the opportunity to experience another region of Canada.
7. Starting to think about looking for a part time/summer/after graduation/moving for post-secondary studies and need to find a job? Use [SaskJobs](#), [Workopolis](#), or [indeed](#), or to find jobs, gather information, and apply.
8. [Saskatoon Industry and Education Council \(SIEC\)](#) is the sister organization to RDIEC. Yearly, they publish the excellent Saskatchewan-based resource, [Relevance Magazine](#). The 2021 version has just been released and is available in English and French. SIEC also has a wealth of career-related resources for students, parents, job seekers, and teachers. Resources include Career Spotlights (just like PSSD/RDIEC), Financial Literacy, Labour Market Information, Job Searching, Mental Health, and a variety of Podcasts. As well, specific resources for people with disabilities, Indigenous People, Newcomers, and Mature Workers are also available.

9. [St. John Ambulance](#) offers a number of courses for students to choose from. Please check the "Book a Course" section for dates and times. High school students who are preparing themselves to pursue post-secondary education or will shortly be entering the workforce may be required to have first aid, CPR, and food safe training.
10. Saskatchewan Polytechnic's Women in Trades and Technology (WITT) has a [number of upcoming events, in the new year](#). These hands-on exploration courses for women 15 years of age and up offers an introduction to a variety of basic trade skills. Each workshop is led by a female trades professional. For more information, contact [Michelle Lanoie](#) at 306-775-7503.
11. Check out Saskatchewan Polytechnic's [Program Explorer](#) is now active. It takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and provides a list of programs for students to investigate based on answers to questions about their interests, skills, natural talents and values. The results page provides a summary of programs which may be a good fit and lets you print, share, or get in touch with advisors for further assistance.
12. [myBlueprint Webinars](#) are available free for teachers. Click on the link to see the various topics.

## Post- Secondary Information

### UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:

- [SAMS \(Student Awards Management System\)](#) allows students to search and apply online for the U of R scholarships and awards. The application deadline is **March 15**.
- [Student Awards and Financial Aid Scholarship Workshops](#) will be held on the following dates:
  - Thursday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 pm
  - Thursday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm
  - Tuesday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00 pm
  - Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 pm

These workshops will help students navigate through SAMS (Student Awards Management System). Parents are encouraged to attend. You can also view [instructions on how to use SAMS](#) (documents and YouTube videos) on the website. Please contact [Scholarships](#) for more info.

- Don't forget that you can apply for [Education](#) all year long and may study on a part-time or full-time basis. Apply online.
- Applications for fall 2021 are open for [on-campus housing](#). Feel free to take a [virtual tour](#) of housing options. Call 306-585-5450 or email [housing.services@uregina.ca](mailto:housing.services@uregina.ca) for more info.
- U of R students are encouraged to become familiar with the [Student Awards & Financial Aid Office](#). They are there to help you with your investment into your future university goals. Feel free to call them at 306-585-4591, email at [Student Loans](#) or [Scholarships and Awards](#).
- Students can apply to all faculties but may only be offered admission into the [Faculties of Arts, Business, Engineering, Kinesiology and Health Studies, Media and Art Performance, Science, Social Work, La Cite universitaire francophone, Education](#) and any programs through [Campion College, First Nations University of Canada](#) and [Luther College](#). Contact [Recruitment](#) at 1.800.644.4756.
- High school students interested in applying to the [Faculty of Nursing](#) must do so through Saskatchewan Polytechnic. For more instruction on the application process, you can review [www.sasknursingdegree.ca](http://www.sasknursingdegree.ca). The application deadline is **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.

### ST. PETER'S COLLEGE:

- Students are eligible to earn scholarships from the University of Saskatchewan as well as St. Peter's. St. Peter's has a number of [videos](#) to help to explain a number of their programs. Career teachers and guidance counsellors can click [here](#) to request a virtual presentation on topics such as information about St. Peter's programs, how to be successful in university, lifelong learning, and information about making the transition from high school to university.

## UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:

- [The priority deadline to apply](#) to the U of S is **February 15<sup>th</sup>**. This maximizes students' award potential in the [Guaranteed Entrance Scholarships](#) and the [Competitive Entrance Awards](#).
- The [How to Apply](#) page of U of S website will help you start your application process.
- Check the [Requirements and Deadlines](#) of the programs for which you are applying.
- [Residence applications](#) are open for **Fall 2021**. Students should [apply online](#) via the Residence Housing Portal as soon as possible. Applications are considered on a first come, first served basis, regardless of students' admission status. Please use this [online brochure](#) for more details. For more information contact [residence@usask.ca](mailto:residence@usask.ca) or call 306-966-6775.
- Check out new videos covering a variety of interesting topics and programs: [The Value of a Bachelor of Arts](#), [The Value of a Bachelor of Science](#), [the Value of the Fine and Performing Arts](#), [The Value of Interdisciplinary Programs](#), [Get to Know the Edwards School of Business YouTube Channel](#), [The World Needs Educators](#), [Interested in Ag and Bioresources?](#), [Why AgBio is for you](#), [Why the world needs AgBio graduates](#), [How to apply to the College of AgBio](#),
- The deadline to apply for [Kinesiology](#), [Education](#), and the [Kinesiology/Education Combined Program](#) is **February 15**. It is also the deadline to apply for [Competitive Entrance Awards](#).
- Engineering has experienced significant changes. Check out several [videos](#) that explain the changes and provide more information about engineering, including What is Engineering, in case you missed it.
- There is an [Engineering Parent Information Night](#) on January 12, from 7:00-8:30 pm where parents can learn more about the changes to Engineering, supports for students, scholarships, financial planning, and the co-op program.
- Learn more about the new [Language Teacher Education](#) program.
- Principals or guidance counsellors, are your students thinking about applying to university, but aren't sure where to start? Personnel from the U of S are happy to meet virtually with an entire grade, a class, or a group within a class. Email Co-ordinator of Student Recruitment, [Kathi Sunderman](#) to book a visit from a student recruitment officer for any of the following sessions:
  - **USaskSparks:** Interactive sessions using a digital challenge card platform for students to explore pathways to possible future careers and the programs that will take them there
  - **USask admissions and programs presentations:** Virtual information presentations for students who want to know more about programs offered at USask before applying
  - **Apply-on-the-spot virtual workshops:** Step-by-step guidance through the USask online application process for students who are ready to apply
  - **USask awards presentations:** Virtual information presentation to inform students of funding opportunities and discuss how to apply for USask scholarships and bursaries
- [Admission Requirements](#) for the Bachelor of Science (Biomedical Science) program has been clarified. Precalculus 30 is recommended, although students may be admitted with Foundations of Math 30. Check out the program options in the [Biomedical Science](#) program.

## MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE:

- Ever wondered what it's like to be a student at MHC? Be a Student for the Day during the week of January 25-29 and experience everything MHC has to offer. Contact [Jessica](#) to register.
- Check out the virtual tours of the two MHC campuses and two residences. [Medicine Hat Campus Tour](#), [Brooks Campus Tour](#), [Couleevue Residence](#), and [Golfview Residence](#).

## UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA:

- Check out the [Tool Kit for Counsellors](#) to learn more about admissions and information for students.
- The Faculty of Arts has a number of [informative videos](#) that explain their programs, including Media Studies, Criminology, Fine Arts, Philosophy, Sociology, Linguistics, Art and Design, Urban and Regional Planning, English, Human Geography, Modern Languages and Cultural Studies, and Women and Gender Studies.

## OLDS COLLEGE

- [Olds College Campus Tours](#) (virtual or in person) maybe booked Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Call 403.556-8281 or [email](#) to book. Many programs still have seats available for fall 2021. Only a small number of programs have a waitlist.
- Webinar Wednesdays take place between 5:00 and 7:00 pm (Alberta time).

## Upcoming Events

**Jan. 25-  
Jan. 29** Medicine Hat College is hosting a week of being a student for a day. Contact [Jessica](#) to register. Medicine Hat (virtual)

**Feb. 15** Deadline for:

- [Nursing Applications](#) (Polytechnic/U of R's Bachelor of Science in Nursing)
- [U of S Admissions to be eligible for the Competitive Entrance Awards](#)
- [U of S Kinesiology, Education, and Kinesiology/Education Combo](#)
- [Saskatchewan Polytechnic's High Demand Program Applications](#)

**Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>  
Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>  
March 4<sup>th</sup>  
March 8<sup>th</sup>** [Student Awards and Financial Aid Scholarship Workshops](#) University of Regina, Regina  
These virtual workshops will help students navigate through SAMS (Student Awards Management System). Parents are encouraged to attend. Please see link for times for each session.

**Mar. 15** Deadline to apply for [Competitive Entrance Awards](#) at the University of Regina, Regina  
U of R.

Remember, **February 15<sup>th</sup>** is the priority deadline for applications for the fall semester at many post-secondary schools. Make sure to check the deadlines for applying to the programs in which you are interested. Check the institution's website for details. Also check out [PSSD's Post Secondary Contact Information](#) to help with phone numbers and email contacts.

## Scholarship Spotlight

[Scholar Tree](#) is a fantastic aggregator of a wide variety of scholarships. Students can register with the organization to receive access to a list of many different scholarships. They will even email you scholarship reminders a few days before they are due.

[Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship Industry \\$1000 scholarships](#) are rewarded each year to over 120 students who complete the Youth Apprenticeship passport. Each school nominates a potential candidate and winners are announced in June. Many Prairie South students have won this scholarship. Check with your school administrator or guidance counsellor for information on how you can earn 300 hours towards an apprenticeship trade along with the chance to win a \$1000 scholarship.

[Relevance Magazine 2021](#) is available as a digital download. On page 20 you will find many **scholarships**. Links to these scholarships are available for easy access.

The [Education Planning and Student Aid](#) page, from the Government of Canada gives many useful tools for students and parents to access, regarding planning for an education, saving, budget, and exploring student aid and career options.

[Canada Student Grants and Loans – What student grants and loans offer](#) will provide information on applying for student loans. Saskatchewan residents will want to look at our [Saskatchewan section](#) when looking to apply. Please contact [studentservices@gov.sk.ca](mailto:studentservices@gov.sk.ca) or call 1-800-597-8278 for more information.

Don't forget that the [Scholarship and Loans](#) section of the PSSD website has some documents to assist you in your financial assistance and scholarship search, as well as a scholarship organizer tool, including:

- [Post-Secondary Finances](#)
- [Scholarship Search Engines](#)
- [Post-Secondary Institution Scholarship Links](#)

Due Date	Scholarship	Amount	Criteria
Jan. 13	<a href="#">John Evans Engineering Entrance Award</a>	• 1 X \$5000	→ Must self-identify as a female → High school graduate that is accepted into Engineering at a post-secondary institution. → Possess Canadian Citizenship or Residency → <a href="#">Application Documents</a>
Jan. 15	<a href="#">STEAM: Horizon Awards</a>	• 5 X \$25,000	→ Described as a leader, an achiever, or innovator. → Be a Canadian Citizen or permanent resident → Have been recognized for accomplishments in a formal capacity → Academic average of 80% or higher → Be preparing to enrol in a post-secondary institution for the Fall of 2020 in a STEAM field at a Canadian institution
Jan. 15	<a href="#">Canadian Women in Municipal Government Scholarship</a>	• \$1000	→ Female students create a 3-minute video that shows contributions to SRC/SLC → 3-300-word answers to questions → Two reference letters
Jan. 27	<a href="#">Schulich Leader Scholarship</a>	• \$60,000 & \$80,000 (over 4 years)	→ For students planning to study Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (refer to list of <a href="#">eligible post-secondary schools</a> ). → At the U of S, eligible programs include the Engineering, Science, Agribusiness, Renewable Resource Management, and Agriculture programs. → Must be nominated by the school representative. → Must possess at least 2 of the following 3 attributes: outstanding leadership, academic excellence and financial need.
Jan. 31	<a href="#">Mensa Canada Scholarships</a>	• Varies from \$2000 - \$3000	→ A 250-word essay about your career plan is required and a description of relevant experience and the difficulties you have overcome in pursuit of your goal.

Jan. 31	<a href="#">Dick Martin Scholarship Award</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 X \$3,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must be enrolled in an Occupational Health and Safety related course leading to an OH&amp;S certificate/diploma/degree.</li> <li>→ Submit 1000-1200-word essay, cover letter and online application form</li> </ul>
Jan. 31	<a href="#">EnergyRates.ca Scholarship</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Write an essay on any topic about energy in the world of tomorrow—green energy, oil politics, nuclear power. What do you think people will be reading about in the news in a few years?</li> </ul>
Feb. 1	<a href="#">Terry Fox Humanitarian Award</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 X \$28,000 (over 4 years)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must have a satisfactory academic standing and be involved in voluntary humanitarian and community work.</li> <li>→ 3 references are required to complete referral forms.</li> </ul>
Feb. 1	<a href="#">Hal Rogers Endowment Fund</a> (Kin Canada Bursaries)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35 X \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant.</li> <li>→ Must be a student in the process of graduating from high school or currently studying or registered at a post-secondary institution.</li> <li>→ Must complete the current application form and submit it to the Kinsmen, Kinette or Kin Club closest to their permanent residence by February 1. Bursary winners are notified before June 30 by their sponsoring club.</li> <li>→ Will be evaluated on their community and school involvement, knowledge of Kin Canada and financial need</li> </ul>
Feb. 12	<a href="#">Weston Youth Innovation Award</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$15 000 x 1</li> <li>• \$8500 x 1</li> <li>• \$3500 x 3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must have used science and/or technology as the basis for developing creative and innovative ideas to solve real-world problems.</li> <li>→ Put ideas into action and have a positive impact in your community or broader scale.</li> </ul>
Feb. 28	<a href="#">RBC Indigenous Student Awards</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5000 (per year up to four years) x 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ For status and non-status Indians, Inuit or Métis pursuing post-secondary education.</li> <li>→ Financial need is considered.</li> </ul>
Feb. 28	<a href="#">Stacey Levitt Memorial Award</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 X \$2500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Applicants must submit a short essay on living life to the fullest, helping others, etc.</li> <li>→ Letter of recommendation required.</li> </ul>
March 1	<a href="#">Saskatchewan Agriculture Student Scholarship</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 X \$4,000</li> <li>• 3 X \$2,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be planning to take an agriculture related program.</li> <li>• Must submit a video or essay based on topics surrounding agriculture and sustainability.</li> <li>• For some inspiration, check out the <a href="#">Peterson Brothers' YouTube Channel</a> and <a href="#">AgriPathways</a>.</li> </ul>
March 1	<a href="#">Beaverbrook Vimy Prize</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winners will travel August 8<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> of 2020</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Open to youth 15-17 years of age.</li> <li>→ awarded based on essay submissions, reference letters, and motivation letters</li> </ul>
March 1	<a href="#">4-H Canada Scholarships</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1000-</li> <li>• \$20 000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Various scholarships with a variety of criteria</li> </ul>

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March 15	<a href="#">Brandon Walli "Phones Down, Eyes Up" Memorial Scholarship</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Grade 12 students focusing on Arts, Creative Arts, or Music in post-secondary</li> <li>→ Community and volunteer experience necessary</li> </ul>
March 15	<a href="#">Queen's Diamond Jubilee Scholarship</a> (Grade 12)  <a href="#">The Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall Scholarship</a> (Grade 11)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 X \$1000</li> <li>• 20 X \$500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ For Grade 12 students who are at risk of not succeeding in their first post-secondary year due to financial burdens and vulnerable circumstances. *</li> <li>→ For Grade 11 students living with vulnerable circumstances to assist them in completing their grade 12 education. *</li> </ul> <p>*Administrators and school leadership teams nominate students who are at risk of not completing high school for the above scholarships. Please talk to them about this scholarship.</p>
March 15	<a href="#">RE/MAX Quest for Excellence</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1000 x 16 (in Western Canada)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Write online essay.</li> <li>→ Attributes include volunteering, leadership, motivation, communication skills, contributing to their community.</li> </ul>
March 30	<a href="#">Odenza Marketing Group Scholarship</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Write two essays of fewer than 500 words and complete an application form.</li> </ul>
March 31	<a href="#">SaskTel Scholarships</a> (applications will open in January)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7 X \$3000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Be Saskatchewan residents</li> <li>→ Be enrolled or plan to enrol in full-time at a post-secondary educational institution in Saskatchewan</li> <li>→ Be enrolled in a degree, diploma, or certificate program directly related to telecommunications (Computer Science, Engineering, Accounting, and Business Administration).</li> <li>→ Have achieved a minimum of 75% grade average in their most recent educational standing.</li> </ul>
March 31	<a href="#">Ringette Scholarships</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Scholarships available for ringette players, coaches and officials</li> </ul>
April 15	<a href="#">Canadian Student Leader Awards</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must have 70%+ average in last two years</li> <li>→ Demonstrate capacity for student leadership by contributing to your school and community.</li> <li>→ Answer series of questions</li> <li>→ Provide an endorsement from a teacher</li> </ul>
April 30	<a href="#">Canadian Agri-Business Education Foundation</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Students entering 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> year of ag-related programs are eligible.</li> <li>→ Answer in essay or video format: What do you consider to be the two main opportunities for</li> </ul>

			the Canadian agriculture and food industry, and which one inspires you the most?
Dec. 30 Feb. 1 April 30	<a href="#">Masterfeeds Scholarships</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$200 X 2 (ages 8-11)</li> <li>• \$500 X 2 (ages 12-17)</li> <li>• \$1000 X 2 (ages 17-19)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ See website for criteria for \$200 and \$500 prizes</li> <li>→ For \$1000 prize, must be going into agriculture-related program</li> <li>→ Write 500-700-word essay on future plans in ag</li> <li>→ Must display integrity, volunteerism, and leadership</li> </ul>
All Year (check website for specific dates)	<a href="#">CWB Welding Foundation Awards</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various Amounts</li> <li>• Apply as early as possible as funds are limited</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must be accepted into a full-time welding program for post-secondary</li> <li>→ Complete online form</li> <li>→ Provide 2 references</li> <li>→ Include current transcript verification report with grade 11-12 marks highlighted (school report transcript is fine)</li> <li>→ Letter of recommendation relating to your welding activities</li> <li>→ Acceptance letter to post-secondary institution</li> <li>→ 500-word essay (details on site under Instructions)</li> </ul>