

“2024 was incredibly busy, but successful, encouraging, and exciting. Since August 2021, I have had the privilege of being the dean of the College of Nursing. Each year that passes, I feel we’ve had a great year, only for the following year to surpass all expectations. I am so proud of all we have accomplished in 2024 and feel extremely lucky to work alongside USask Nursing faculty, staff, and instructors, who show an unwavering commitment to our success each and every day.”



## Welcome to the University of Saskatchewan (USask) College of Nursing 2024 Annual Report.

2024 was a year of growth and expansion. We announced the addition of four new distributed nursing sites for our undergraduate education program. Starting fall 2025, students will have the opportunity to complete their entire Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree in 10 Saskatchewan communities.

At fall convocation, we celebrated the largest class to date of Master of Nursing Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (NP) graduates and recognized our first graduate of the newly introduced Foundations for Registered Nurse Specialty Practice certificate program.

Nursing students were recognized with over \$378,000 in scholarships, awards, and bursaries, we announced the launch of our first ever micro-credential and we welcomed the first BSN students at the North Battleford and Muenster distributed nursing sites.

Throughout 2024, the College of Nursing welcomed new faculty and staff, faculty celebrated promotion, received teaching awards, and expanded their research impact. Faculty and staff years of service were recognized at the College of Nursing retreat in August, including two faculty celebrating 30 years.

Whether they are located on the main campus in Saskatoon, studying their BSN throughout Saskatchewan, or completing graduate studies across Canada, current College of Nursing students are thriving. An undergraduate Dean's Honour Roll was created in 2024, NP graduates exceeded the national average on the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners examination, and student research was highlighted at the annual College of Nursing Research & Scholarship Day. Their commitment to their studies is evident and their perseverance to complete their programs is excellent. In 2024, we had 1,070 students studying in our undergraduate programs and 237 as graduate students.

Finally, our alumni continue to be the nursing professionals the world needs and their stories remind me of the wonderful journey our nursing graduates take when they leave the College of Nursing. From opening private Nurse Practitioner clinics to becoming philanthropists and receiving a Saskatchewan Order of Merit, USask College of Nursing alumni make us proud.

When I look back on 2024, there are so many successes to name. These are just a few of the highlights that come to mind.

I encourage you to read this annual report and enjoy the many exciting stories from 2024 about our outstanding faculty, staff, students, and alumni. While there are many success stories outside of these pages, this report represents the overall accomplishments of our vibrant nursing community. In 2025, I invite you to follow us on social media for the most up-to-date news, events, and photos and read more news stories at [nursing.usask.ca](https://nursing.usask.ca).

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M S Richter".

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