# University of Saskatchewan **Community of Aboriginal Nursing**

## UCAN will help you on your way.

Come join Canada's most successful program for graduating First Nations and Métis Nurses!

The University of Saskatchewan Community of Aboriginal Nursing (UCAN) is the University of Saskatchewan College of Nursing's Aboriginal student achievement program. The goal of this program is to increase the number of First Nations and Métis people in the nursing profession, contributing to healthier communities. The program has been operational since 1984 (previously called the Native Access Program to Nursing (NAPN)) and has played an instrumental role in the College's success in recruiting and retaining First Nations and Métis nursing students. Since its inception, the program has helped the College graduate more First Nations and Métis nurses than any other program in Canada.

### Learn Where YOU Live

Students are able to complete the entire Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program across Saskatchewan at sites in Ile-a-la-Crosse, La Ronge, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Yorkton and there are even more locations across the province available for students to take the 1st (pre-professional) year. Learning close to home can promote success for First Nations and Métis students by allowing them to maintain family obligations, access community supports and avoid relocation costs.

UCAN nursing advisors work with First Nations and Métis students in Saskatoon, Prince Albert and Regina and all students in Ile-a-la-Crosse, La Ronge and Yorkton to build community and provide advisement and support. The College has set aside 16.6% of seats for First Nations and Métis applicants who meet the minimum entrance requirements, including seats in our graduate level Nurse Practitioner program.

### Services

- Academic and personal advising in a culturally sensitive environment
- Referrals/advisement for childcare, housing and funding concerns
- Access to emergency loans
- Tutoring for various classes (as needed)
- Gatherings and lunches
- Student space with computer, printing and internet (may vary by site)
- Access to Elders
- Assistance with applications and course registration
- Partnering with post-secondary coordinators and communities
- Equity Seats

#### Contact Us

If you have any questions or need help with current or upcoming classes, applying into nursing, or want to schedule an appointment with a UCAN Nursing Advisor, please email <u>ucan.advising@usask.ca</u> or call:

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