

WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN COLLEGE OF NURSING

On behalf of the University of Saskatchewan (USask) College of Nursing, we are pleased to welcome you to the Post Degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing (PDBSN) option!

You are entering a nursing program that is approved by the <u>College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan</u> and accredited by the <u>Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing.</u>

Through the integration of research, education, and practice, USask College of Nursing strengthens nursing, health, and the health care system. We value integrity, social justice, unconditional positive regard, achieving one's potential, and have high expectations of our faculty, staff, and students.

You will be taught by exceptional registered nurses who are committed to collaborative practice and patient-centered care. You will be supported throughout your program by College of Nursing staff who are here to help you along your way with everything from academic advising to ensuring you fulfill your clinical requirements.

GETTING STARTED

It is now time to take the next steps to prepare for your exciting journey ahead. Please visit the College of Nursing website – <u>Student Section</u> to review the following:

- Orientation Agenda (available mid-December)
- 2024-2025 Student Handbook
- Program Requirements, Uniforms, and Supply List
- Technology Requirements

CLASS REGISTRATION

Register now for your 2025 Winter Term classes through PAWS.

Information about your courses can be found online here.

PDBSN PROGRAM ORIENTATION - MANDATORY

Mark your calendars for the **PDBSN Program Orientation** on **Thursday, January 2, 2025**. Your attendance at this orientation is **mandatory**, as it will provide important information for your continued success in your program.

When it is finalized, the orientation agenda will be available <u>here</u>.

COLLEGE OF NURSING CONTACT INFORMATION

Addresses and contact information for the College of Nursing is available at Contact Us

ACADEMIC ADVISING

If you have questions or wish to speak to an academic advisor, please visit the College on Nursing website – <u>Academic Advising page</u> or book an appointment <u>online</u>.

YOUR USASK EMAIL ADDRESS

All emails from USask College of Nursing will be sent to your USask NSID email address (e.g. <u>abc123@ usask.ca</u>); therefore, please check it daily.

We wish to extend our best wishes for a rewarding learning experience and look forward to meeting you on **Thursday**, **January 2**, **2025**.

Sincerely,

Solina Richter DCur, RN

Dean and Professor, College of Nursing

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WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE OF NURSING SASKATOON CAMPUS

LOCATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

The Saskatoon campus is located at the USask main campus, in the Health Sciences building. Our staff and faculty are located in the A and E-Wings, and the Clinical Learning Resource Centre (CLRC) is on the second floor of the Health Sciences E-Wing.

College of Nursing Telephone: 306-966-6221	Mailing Address: Health Science Bldg. – 1A10, Box #6 107 Wiggins Road University of Saskatchewan Saskatoon, SK S7N 5E5	Undergraduate Office: 1st Floor, Room 1A30 Health Sciences Building 107 Wiggins Rd University of Saskatchewan Saskatoon, SK S7N 5E5
Academic Advisors Email: undergradnursing.advising @usask.ca	To Book An Appointment (Academic Advisors/Student Supports): Advising Appointments	

PDBSN STUDENT BUSINESS

ORIENTATION

You are required to attend a mandatory orientation to the PDBSN nursing program on January 2, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. in HLTH B450.

PDBSN PROGRAM TERM 1 DATES - *IMPORTANT*

The PDBSN students do not participate in the February break week in term 1 of the program. During the week, February 17-21, 2025, students will be required to attend class and lab activities.

CLASS REGISTRATION - *IMPORTANT*

You will need to register for the following classes-typically PDBSN classes are N12:

Winter Semester: NURS 200, NURS 202 (plus lab), NURS 204 (plus seminar), NURS 206 (plus required link), NURS 203 (plus lab), PHAR 250, plus any deficient class*.

*This deficiency must be completed by the end of April of the year you are admitted. Proof of completion must be received by May 31. A deficiency in the application to the PDBSN program is defined by the College of Nursing as a prerequisite course not completed by April 30 of the admission year.

Registration tips: Prior to attempting to register clear your browser history, restart your device and register for **ALL CLASSES** at once; do not hit submit between classes. PDBSN sections are typically a "12".



ACADEMIC ADVISING AND LEARNING SERVICES

Academic advising is available on-site or virtually at the College of Nursing. Book an appointment and access frequently used forms at: <u>Academic Advising Overview.</u>

Additionally, academic advising and support for students is offered through the University of Saskatchewan Community of Indigenous Nursing (UCIN) program: <u>University of Saskatchewan Community of Indigenous Nursing.</u>

University of Saskatchewan Student Learning Services are available to all students throughout the academic year at: <u>Student Learning Services</u>.

LIBRARY SERVICES

As a University of Saskatchewan student, you have remote access to a number of electronic resources through the University of Saskatchewan Library. These can be accessed through the Library Resources channel in your PAWS account or at: Library Services.

STUDENT WELLNESS-HEALTH PLAN

Full-time, on-campus students automatically pay for a health and dental plan provided through their student association (the USSU for undergraduate students and the GSA for graduate students). You must have a Saskatchewan health card, (or health coverage equal to or greater than that provided by a Saskatchewan health card) in order to make a claim on this extended health coverage. See the details here: Student Wellness Health Plan.

ACCESS AND EQUITY SERVICES

Students with disabilities such as Medical-based or learning, or requiring services or accommodation based on other prohibited grounds of discrimination — including religion, family status (including pregnancy) or gender identity—can access further information and support through University of Saskatchewan Access and Equity Services at: Access and Equity Services.

Be advised that your clinical shifts can occur on evenings, weekends, and stat holidays and the schedule can change with short notice. Do not plan any event during clinical – exceptions will not be made.

CAMPUS MAPS

The University of Saskatchewan campus is a large complex space, and some students may not have had access to the Health Sciences building previously. To locate classes and labs, you can view maps of all wings here: <u>Campus Maps</u>.

You can also visit <u>USask Maps</u> to see where buildings are located on campus, where paid parking is available, and other amenities such as food services.