



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 Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program!

You are entering a nursing program that is approved by the [College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan](#) and accredited by the [Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing](#).

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 – [Student Section](#) to review the following:

- Orientation Agenda (available mid-August)
- 2023-2024 Student Handbook (available in July)
- Clinical Requirements, Uniforms, and Supply List
- Technology Requirements

CLASS REGISTRATION

Register now for your 2023-2024 Fall and Winter Term classes through [PAWS](#).

Information about your courses can be found online [here](#).

BSN PROGRAM ORIENTATION - MANDATORY

Mark your calendars for the **BSN Program Orientation on Tuesday, September 5, 2023**. 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 available [here](#).

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 – [Academic Advising page](#) or book an appointment [online](#).

YOUR USASK EMAIL ADDRESS

All emails from USask College of Nursing will be sent to your USask NSID email address (e.g. [abc123@mail.usask.ca](#)); therefore, please check it daily.

We wish to extend our best wishes for a rewarding learning experience, and look forward to meeting you on **Tuesday September 5, 2023**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. A. Richter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Solina Richter DCur, RN
Dean and Professor, College of Nursing



WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE OF NURSING LA RONGE AND ILE A LA CROSSE SITES!

LOCATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

The **La Ronge** site is located at Northlands College, Mistasinik Place, 1328 La Ronge Avenue. The **Ile-a-la-Crosse** site is located on Main Street at the Integrated Health Services building.

<p>Northlands College Contact: Laura Nagy, University Coordinator Email: nagy.laura@northlandscollege.sk.ca Telephone: 306-425-4312</p>	<p>Professional Academic Advisor Traci La Rose, RN, BSN, B.Ed. Email: traci.larose@usask.ca To book an appointment - https://nursing.usask.ca/advising/appointments.php</p>
<p>Administration – Distributed Sites Email: bobbie.genereux@usask.ca Telephone: 306-337-3807</p>	<p>Indigenous Academic Advisor (UCAN) Kathleen McMullin, B.Ed., M.Ed., PhD Candidate Email : Kathleen.mcmullin@usask.ca To book an appointment – https://nursing.usask.ca/advising/appointments.php Academic Advising Email: undergradnursing.advising@usask.ca</p>

Listed below are the courses for the 2nd year nursing program for Fall (term 1), Winter (term 2), and Spring/Summer (term 3). Each course is placed so that it will build upon the next course and the continued term.

Year 2 – Fall - Term 1
NURS 200.3 – Nursing Foundations: Perspectives and Influences
NURS 202.3 – Assessment and Components of Care I
NURS 204.3 – Communication and Professional Relationships
NURS 204 Seminar
NURS 202 LAB
NURS 206.1 – Foundational Care in Clinical Practice
MCIM 223.3 – Principles of Microbiology and Immunology for Nursing
NURS 207.3 – Human Body Systems for Nursing I

Any deficient class must be completed by December or you will be required to discontinue studies.

Year 2 – Winter - Term 2
PHAR 250.3 – Pharmacology for Nursing
NURS 208.3 – Human Body Systems for Nursing II
NURS 203.3 – Assessment and Components of Care II
NURS 201.3 – Perspectives on Health, Wellness, and Diversity in a Global Context
NURS 203 LAB
NURS 220.3 – Concepts of Patient and Family Centered Care
NURS 220 LAB



Year 2 – Spring/Summer - Term 3

NURS 221.3 – Patient and Family Centered Care in Clinical Practice

NURS 205.3 – Research for Evidence Informed Practice

CLASS REGISTRATION - *IMPORTANT TIPS*

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.

NORTHERN STUDENT BUSINESS

ORIENTATION

You are required to attend a **MANDATORY ORIENTATION** to the BSN program **on Tuesday, September 5, 2023. Locations and time to follow.**

TEXTBOOKS

You can order your textbooks and medical supplies from the Shop USASK Bookstore website at <https://bookstore.usask.ca/students.php>. Under *Course Materials*, select *My Textbooks* to access your textbook list. You will need to enter your NSID (example: abc123) and password.

La Ronge and Ile-a-la-Crosse students can contact Laura Nagy at Northlands College regarding textbooks for each class as required.

Secondhand books may also be purchased from former or upper-year students. Textbooks can also be ordered through amazon.ca. However, *please check that the ISBN number* is the same as posted by the professor for the class.

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 <https://library.usask.ca>.

Distance and Distributed Library Services (DDLs) are available at no charge to all University of Saskatchewan students, faculty, and staff living outside Saskatoon. The library will supply materials from our collections in response to requests submitted electronically. Books will be mailed with a postage paid return label. Copies of journal articles do not have to be returned. <https://library.usask.ca/ddls/index.php>.



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 in the link below.

<http://students.usask.ca/health/health-plans.php#StudentHealthandDentalPlan>

Students who are located at the Northern sites will not be paying into the plan. This Health Insurance fee is charged to your fall student fees only. If you are off campus in term 1, you will not be assessed the fee. **If you wish to have coverage, you must opt in.**

Please contact I have a Plan: <http://www.studentcare.ca/> for more details.

GUIDANCE RESOURCES FOR OFF CAMPUS STUDENTS

Through USask's **free** Guidance Resources program, off-campus and distance students can speak with financial experts, health coaches, mental-health clinicians, and lawyers.

Specialists are also available to provide pre-screened referrals and resources for just about anything on your to-do list. See details in the link below.

<https://students.usask.ca/index.php>

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 <https://students.usask.ca/health/centres/access-equity-services.php>.

ACADEMIC ADVISING AND LEARNING SERVICES

Academic advising is available on-site or virtually at the College of Nursing, Prince Albert Campus. Book an appointment and access frequently used forms at: <https://nursing.usask.ca/advising/overview.php>

Additionally, academic advising and support for Aboriginal students is offered through the University of Saskatchewan Community of Aboriginal Nursing (UCAN) program:

<https://nursing.usask.ca/indigenousinitiatives/ucan.php>



University of Saskatchewan Student Learning Services are available to all students throughout the academic year at <https://library.usask.ca/studentlearning/>

CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS

Please review the document titled ***Important Clinical Requirements*** included with this package. This document includes a checklist of requirements and deadlines which must be completed for Term 1 (some as early as mid-August). This document is also available through this link <https://nursing.usask.ca/documents/clinical/clinical-requirements-north.pdf>.

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



IMPORTANT CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS LA RONGE AND ILE A LA CROSSE SITES

The Health and Safety Clinical Requirements **must be completed** prior to entering a clinical setting. Full details and select forms can be found online at: nursing.usask.ca/clinical/health-and-safety.php.

Ensure your scan clearly shows your name, the certificate/document type, and date completed prior to sending. **Please name the file with your NSID (example: abc123).** Please only send .pdf, .jpg, or .png files.

PLEASE send all clinical requirement documents to: nursing.princealbertclinical@usask.ca or sherri.haleschuk@usask.ca

CONTACTS

- Kim Lavoie, RN, BSN, MN kim.lavoie@usask.ca (Clinical Coordinator)

Required Certificates & Records	Due Date	Example File Name Your NSID	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Criminal Record Check (CRC) with Vulnerable Sector Search – must obtain both</i> <i>If your CRC-VSC is positive, please complete and send ASAP. Additional steps will be required.</i>	Sep 1	abc123 CRC	<p>Current within 6 months from your home community. Need a <u>Vulnerable Sector Search</u> letter? Please include name and birth date when contacting: nursing.princealbertclinical@usask.ca or sherri.haleschuk@usask.ca.</p> <p>Any CRC with an embossment/seal, you must provide an original copy.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>WHMIS – online through USASK only</i>	Sep 1	abc123 WHMIS	<p>Renew every 3 years. No cost - https://usask.ca-central.catalog.canvaslms.com/browse/safety?query=whmis</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Student Clinical Photo ID</i> <p>You will receive an email when your ID badge is ready and where you can pick-up</p>	Sep 1	abc123 Photo	<p>Please email a picture of yourself that meets the following parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo must be a close-up of your head and shoulders shot on a plain light-coloured background with a direct view of your face – similar to a driver’s license photo • Photo must be in a .jpg file format, less than 2MB • Provide your First name, Last name, and NSID <p>Headwear must be removed unless it is worn for medical or religious reasons.</p>



<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Phone Number</i>	Sep 1		Personal cell phone number required for SCM electronic charting set up prior to NURS 221 clinical
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>CPR & AED Certificate (required every 2 years)</i>	Sep 18	abc123 CPR	Recertification every 2 years. Contact Laura Nagy, nagy.laura@northlandscollege.sk.ca or 306-425-4312. Must include theory and hands on skills training for choking, CPR, and AED for infant, child, and adult. Accepted: CPR-C with AED, CPR-B with AED, Heartsaver, BLS (HCP)
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>N95 Mask fitting</i> Note: Respirator use waiver form is required for medical, personal and religious reasons (https://nursing.usask.ca/documents/clinical/usask-fit-testing-waiver-form.pdf)	Sep 18	abc123 FIT	2 SHA approved mask sizes required. Re-fit every 2 years. Contact Laura Nagy, nagy.laura@northlandscollege.sk.ca or 306-425-4312. FIT test dates at the PA Campus: Aug 23, Aug 24, Aug 29, Aug 30, 2023. Select ONE date only from the Sign Up Genius - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080948A4AB29AAF58-bsnn953 Alternative Options available: A to Z Safety & Training Ltd (PA), SK SIMS, Advanced First Aid Training
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Transferring, Lifting, Repositioning (TLR) Certificate</i>	Sep 18	abc123 TLR	Recertify every 3 years. Contact Laura Nagy, nagy.laura@northlandscollege.sk.ca or 306-425-4312. Alternative Options available: Sask Polytech, SK SIMS, and SHA.
Required Forms	Due Date	Example File Name	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Immunization Consent Form & Immunization Records</i>	Aug 15	abc123 Consent abc123 IMM	READ INFORMATION BELOW Immunization Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>HSPnet Consent Form</i>	Sep 1	abc123 HSPnet	Information available online at: https://nursing.usask.ca/documents/programs/bsn/hspnet_consent.pdf
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Student Confidentiality Agreement</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>SHA Confidentiality Agreement</i>	Sep 1	abc123 SCA abc123 SHACA	Links to the two forms online at: nursing.usask.ca/clinical/health-and-safety.php . under Requirements – Confidentiality . Witness signature required
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>WCB Agreement Schedule C</i>	Sep 1	abc123 WCB	Information available online at: https://nursing.usask.ca/documents/clinical/wcb-agreement-schedule-



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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The University of Saskatchewan requires that all students attending a Health Science College provide documented proof of immunization.
- All nursing students are required to complete the recommended immunizations for health care workers as outlined in the [Saskatchewan Immunization Manual, Chapter 7 Section 6.3](#) (available online at: www.ehealthsask.ca/services/manuals/Pages/SIM.aspx) prior to any contact between students and patients/clients.
- Students are required to submit to the College of Nursing proof of immunizations prior to participation in clinical experience.
- Failure to maintain recommended immunizations may delay a student's progress in their studies.
- Specific immunizations will be required for certain clinical placements and in specific circumstances such as disease outbreaks. Students who refuse or are unable to comply with this requirement may be at risk of not being able to complete required components of their program.
- Any applicable costs of immunization are the responsibility of the student.
- **CONSENT FORM BELOW:** Immunization records and/or serology results will be shared from Student Wellness and/or the Nurse reviewing your records with your College and clinical placements throughout your studies as required – this is to ensure your safety and the safety of your clients. You are required to sign a consent form to authorize sharing of this information.

IMMUNIZATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Review Specific Immunization Requirements below.
2. Locate your childhood and adult immunization records. If you do not have these records, contact your Public Health Unit or Family Doctor.
3. Send a **copy** of your **Consent Form (see pg 5) AND Immunization Records by August 15** (earlier is better if you can) to

Email – nursing.immunizations@usask.ca

4. You may choose to see your Family Physician to begin and/or complete your immunization review.



SPECIFIC IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Tetanus/Diphtheria (Td):

- Primary series of 3-5 doses, then a booster every 10 years

Pertussis:

- Primary series and adults are encouraged to have a Td booster with the pertussis component once in their adult lifetime. Some colleges mandate this.

Polio:

- Primary series, booster if travelling in endemic areas

Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR):

- Proof of immunity by serological evidence (please attach) OR by documented proof of vaccination with **2 doses** of measles, mumps and rubella.

Tuberculin skin test (TST):

- Initial base line skin test required prior to client contact
- If there is a history of a positive Tuberculin, a CXR is required.

Hepatitis B:

- A series of two or three doses followed by an antibody check
- If you have already received the series, lab evidence of immunity is required (please attach).
- If the Hepatitis B Surface Antibody is non-immune (0 mIU/ml), a Hepatitis B surface antigen test must be done. If the antigen test is positive, consult your Health Care Provider. Refer to your specific College Policy for guidelines regarding clinical practice.
- If the antigen test is negative, (and antibody non-immune); revaccination and reassessment for immunity must be done.
- **Note:** if you do not currently have your Hepatitis B immunizations you should begin this series as soon as possible, as it takes several months to complete.

Varicella (Chickenpox)

- Serological evidence of immunity (please attach) OR proof of one or two doses of varicella vaccination

Influenza

- Recommended annually

COVID-19

- Strongly recommended



Nursing Immunization Requirements Consent

I agree to comply with all immunization requirements of the University of Saskatchewan. I give consent for my immunization records and/or serology results to be shared with my college, clinical placements, and administrative staff, as appropriate.

Student Information

Last Name: _____ Given Name: _____

DOB (dd/mm/yr): _____ Phone Number: _____

Health Card Number: _____ Province: _____ Exp: _____ M/F

Address & Postal Code: _____

Next of Kin (name/phone #/relation): _____

U of S Student Number: _____

USASK NSID & Email: _____

College/Campus	Location				
BSN - Nursing	Prince Albert	North	Regina	Yorkton	Lloydminster
√ off your campus/site					

Graduating Year: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Don't forget to email this consent form and immunization records by August 15 to:
nursing.immunizations@usask.ca