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HELLO EVERYONE!

Fred Entz
VP Finance and Internal Operations

WHOA! It's another school year! The summer went by so fast, and that's coming from someone who was in school the entire summer!

My name is Fred Entz, and I am a fourth year Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) student. I am also your Vice President of Finance and Internal Operations, which means that the student fees that you pay are under my jurisdiction!

My job role is also to oversee the Health and Dental Plan for Saskatchewan Polytechnic students. If you have any questions about what I do, please feel free to email or call me, or visit me in the SPSA Office in Saskatoon.

As you enter a new school year, I think it's important to take some time to think about where you've come from. I encourage you to take even 5 or 10 minutes and remember what has happened in your life that has contributed to you being at Saskatchewan Polytechnic at this point in your life!

Maybe you're a parent wanting to advance your skills and knowledge; maybe you're straight from high school; perhaps you identify

as an Indigenous person or are an immigrant/refugee from a different country; or maybe you have no idea why you're here but just felt like you needed a change in your life.

Whatever your journey has been, we enthusiastically greet and welcome you! As the Students' Association for all of Saskatchewan Polytechnic, we are so pleased that you have chosen this institution to further your education and we look forward to walking alongside you in achieving your goals.

I deeply value real conversations and good questions. Talking about the weather is important (especially with its unpredictable nature in Saskatchewan) but at some point, we have to start asking some questions. These questions might include: Where am I going? How will I get there? Who can help me on my journey? What is it about this journey that's most important to me, and why? How might I keep my life balanced along the way? Beginning, continuing, or finishing an educational journey is no easy feat, but that's what your SPSA is here for.

The SPSA has so many services, an incredible Health and Dental plan, and wonderfully supportive staff that can help you along the way and ensure that when you ask those hard ques-

tions, your students' association is a source of encouragement, support, and safety for you.

SO – welcome, ask lots of questions, TAKE CHANCES AND GET INVOLVED RIGHT AWAY (ask us how you can do that), and come chat with us. We value you, our member, and look forward to having some good conversations with you!

ARE YOU READY TO RUN?

RUN FOR SPSA COUNCIL IN THE SPSA BY-ELECTIONS

Nominations open September 25
See your SPSA Office for details.



HOW CAN YOU HELP BUILD THE STRONGEST STUDENT COMMUNITY IN THE PROVINCE?!

Jesse White
VP Prince Albert

I have lived in each of Saskatchewan's three major cities. Though Regina and Saskatoon may be larger, Prince Albert as a city has by far the strongest sense of community, and it's this sentiment that I want to bring to our campus. If you get out to any of Prince Albert's big events like the Exhibition or the Prince Albert Winter Festival you'll see a remarkably close knit community. Whether you're a student studying here for an 18 month course or you've lived in the area all your life, everyone feels like part of the family. I think together we can bring that feeling to the Sask Polytech Prince Albert campus.

So, how do we accomplish this? Well, we need your help. This month the SPSA is holding

by-elections at all four Sask Polytech campuses. Here in Prince Albert we are electing two Campus Directors. One of your jobs as a Campus Council Director would be to help build our community. Together we'll talk with students, advocate for them, think up fun events and cool contests, and do so much more. Being a Campus Council Director for the SPSA affords you so many opportunities both professionally and personally.

Now, I know what you're thinking. "Building Saskatchewan's strongest student community sounds amazing but I don't know if I have enough time to commit to being on Council." Don't worry! There are so many awesome ways you can contribute. Aside from being a Director, another way you can help the student voice be heard is by being a part of the Student Advisory Council (SAC). We meet once a

month over lunch - a pizza lunch I might add - and discuss the issues students face on our campus. The SPSA would love to have at least one representative from each program to be a member of SAC this year.

The 2017-2018 school year will literally be the biggest and quite possibly the most important year in the history of the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Students' Association. As an association we now reach the entire province. Though we may not be the largest campus under the SPSA's umbrella, I know we can be the strongest community. If you want more information on the SPSA, By-Elections, our services, or you just want to chat, please stop me in the halls. I can always make time to chat and I'm so excited to get to know each and every one of you!

EASY ON THE EYES – PLACES IN SASKATCHEWAN TO VIEW FALL COLOURS

*Ankita Rastogi
Campus Council Director - Saskatoon*

With the summer season withering away and winter fast approaching, those students who wish to pursue travel may have a splendid excuse to take a break from their studies - an excuse which they could only make once in a year – viewing the fall colours. When the days are long enough and the sun is not baking up the Saskatchewan Prairies, the time might just be right for students to hop in a car and hit the road to witness one of the best fall foliage experiences in Canada without breaking the bank. Below are four suggestions for you to plan your ‘easy on the eyes’ trip:

Prince Albert National Park

(452 km from Moose Jaw, 90 km from Prince Albert, 450 km from Regina, 230 km from Saskatoon)

Located in Central Saskatchewan, Prince Albert National Park is known for its boreal forests, rolling aspen parklands and transparent lakes, and is well connected via major Saskatchewan highways. Whether you are an active, adventurous hiker or just a leisurely driver, there is something here for everyone. Spend some time exploring various shops and restaurants at Waskesiu, which also features a beautiful beach along Waskesiu Lake. For the best fall colour display, make sure to climb up at one of the five viewing towers located throughout the park. ‘Height of Land’ lookout tower, along Highway #263, is 15 meters high and rests upon North America’s north-south continental divide that splits the Gulf of Mexico and Hudson Bay watersheds. Experience a stunning view of autumn colours as mixed wood boreal forests stretch to the Waskesiu Hills and the western horizon.

Traveller tip: Take a detour at the Christopher Lake and Highway #2 intersection and drive along the scenic route (Highway #263) for a splendid display of colourful trees and abundant wildlife.

Wascana Lake

(73 km from Moose Jaw, 371 km from Prince Albert, 4 km from Regina, 268 km from Saskatoon)

Located in the Queen city of Saskatchewan, Regina, Wascana Park is a 930-hectare urban park and houses various species of marshes, birds, and fish. An accessible 5 km long trail

runs around the Wascana Lake and is well-covered with trees, making it a perfect location to witness beautiful fall colours on display. While Wascana Lake is a pleasing place to visit year round, visiting the lake during the fall season is an experience. Displays of yellow, red, and golden coloured leaves and their reflection upon Wascana Lake on a calm day make the sight a picture-perfect moment.

Traveller tip: There is a small man-made waterfall at the Pine Island. This is a wonderful place to take a picture of the sun setting over the Legislative Building at the background and magnificent fall coloured trees on the foreground.

Qu’Appelle River Valley

(74 km from Moose Jaw, 332 km from Prince Albert, 32 km from Regina, 229 km from Saskatoon)

Are you a fan of fall foliage but disillusioned by thinking of Saskatchewan as a prairie land, full of wheat and canola fields? A drive through the beautiful Qu’Appelle Valley will change that illusion forever, as you will have the opportunity to see Saskatchewan like never before. The beautiful city of Lumsden, located 20 minutes north-west of Regina, boasts many cafés and boutiques, which will take you back in time. The banks of Qu’Appelle River host a large variety of trees and rolling hills. During the fall season, these trees turn red, yellow, and orange, making it a treat for the eyes. Featured in the

Huffington Post’s 2012 list of best places to view fall foliage in Canada, the drive through this magnificent valley is bound to leave a unique Saskatchewan impression.

Traveller tip: Make sure to stop at the Lincoln Gardens - they have a wonderful pumpkin patch waiting to be photographed. They are located on Highway #20 between the communities of Lumsden and Craven.

Narrow Hills Provincial Park

(521 km from Moose Jaw, 158 km from Prince Albert, 442 km from Regina, 299 km from Saskatoon)

When it comes to unspoiled scenic beauty, Narrow Hills Provincial Park is incomparable to most other parks in Saskatchewan. For the best fall colour sighting experience, follow the scenic drive from Lower Fishing Lake in the park. The endless forests surrounding Gem Lakes, Upper Fishing Lake, and Lower Fishing Lake will allow you to see the beauty of changing colours of nature. The park contains multiple trails, but for the best experience head out to the northwest part of the park where you will be welcomed by colourful trees and magnificent lakes. Due to glacier retreats, flowing water formed tunnel valleys, eventually forming lakes where it settled. The best time to visit this place is between late September to early October, when colours are at their peak and the fall foliage display is at its best.



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TRYOUTS

PRE-TRYOUTS
SEPT. 7 & 11 - 4PM
MEN AND WOMEN

TRYOUTS
MEN | 5:30PM
WOMEN | 7:30PM
TUES | SEPT. 12
WED | SEPT. 13
THURS | SEPT. 14



2017 SEASON



STEP BE HEARD

JOIN THE STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
BE THE VOICE FOR YOUR PROGRAM
PROMOTE CHANGE
DISCUSS STUDENT CONCERNS

FIRST MEETING SEPT.12
SEE YOUR SPSA FOR TIME AND LOCATION

WILD ATHLETICS

PRINCE ALBERT



VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TEAMS

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SPSA REPRESENTS AT SHEQAB

Vann Cortez
SPSA President

The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Students' Association was invited by the Saskatchewan Higher Education Quality Assurance Board (SHEQAB) to participate in discussions related to authorize degree programs and to provide input on the quality of post-secondary education.

President, Vann Cortez, and VP Prince Albert, Jesse White, represented the SPSA, along with students and student leaders from Saskatchewan Polytechnic and Briercree College and Seminary, during the board retreat in Regina on July 13, 2017.

The board commended the SPSA's delegates regarding their perspective on quality education during the consultation. They added that they look forward to future interaction with student government, such as the SPSA, when the board seeks input on various matters related to quality assurance.

The SPSA will continue to pursue additional opportunities to sit on similar sub-committees of the Ministry of Advanced Education and the Saskatchewan Government.

About SHEQAB

The Saskatchewan Higher Education Quality Assurance Board is authorized by The Degree Authorization Act to oversee a quality assurance review of institutions seeking degree-granting status in Saskatchewan. The quality assurance review process ensures that new degree programs in Saskatchewan meet high quality standards that promote the recognition of Saskatchewan graduates both nationally and internationally for their academic achievements.

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Pre-show Events

Sept 28 - Wine Dinner at The Saskatoon Club
 Sept 29 - Portugal with a Splash of California - Vina Sophia
 Sept 30 - Women & Whisky - Beam Suntory





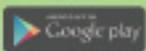
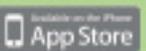





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STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC BOARD

Vann Cortez
SPSA President

The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Board of Directors is a governance board established and empowered through the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act.

According to the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act 6(2) (a), the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint one student from the polytechnic to be a member of the Board of Directors. The appointed student will have all the rights and responsibilities of the members; including a vote for decision items such as the approval of some of the policies of Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

Upon review of the policies of Sask Polytech on their website, this is a list of policies that are past the renewal date or will be renewed on AY 2017-2018 through the Board:

103-G Admissions (Oct 2015)
112-G Program Advisory Council (Nov 2017)
204-G Sponsoring and Advertising (May 2018)
302-G Real Property - Acquisition and Disposal (Sept 2017)
502-G Enterprise Risk Management (June 2015)
504-G Management Authorities' Grid (Jan 2014)
508-G Strategic Planning & Annual Budget Process (Sept 2017)
701-G Absentia of President/CEO and Saskatchewan Polytechnic Senior Managers (Jan 2014)
705-G Education and Employment Equity (Jan 2018)
806-G Information Technology Security (Nov 2015)
901-G Internationalization (Jun 2015)
1102-G Ethics of Research Involving Human Participants (Mar 2015)
1214-G Tuition and Fees (AY 2017-2018)

With many policies up for renewal, it is imperative that a student be appointed on this Academic Year.

Vann Cortez, SPSA President AY 2017-2018, was endorsed by his predecessor, Stacia Selinger, to be appointed as a member of the board. The Minister of Advanced Education Bronwyn Eyre, through her letter to SPSA, has confirmed the receipt of the endorsement. And requested information has been sent to the ministry.

The SPSA has not been notified about the appointment as of the writing of this article. As the Saskatchewan Polytechnic's primary stakeholder, it is crucial that an official student representative is appointed and be able to attend the first Sask Polytech Board Meeting that will be on September 29, 2017.

THINGS TO DO ON CAMPUS

Arushi Joshi
Campus Council Director - Saskatoon

First of all, a very warm welcome to all the new and returning students of Saskatchewan Polytechnic on behalf of the SPSA (Saskatchewan Polytechnic Students' Association).

My name is Arushi Joshi and I was elected to be one of the three Directors of the SPSA-Saskatoon. I am an international student and am currently enrolled in the Chemical Technology program.

So far, the journey for me as a student at Saskatchewan Polytechnic has been a mixture of fun, stress, friendships, success and failures. What matters most to every student is how familiar and compatible they are with their own campus, the only study space that has more purpose in our lives than just for studying.

If I did not use all the resources and recreational activities that are offered by the campus, my student life would be so stressful.

This is the place where you will spend months or years of your life, so why not make the best of your time while you are here?

Most of our courses are designed in a way that we spend almost whole days at the campus, but there will surely be some moments when you want to relax a bit and have a cup of coffee in your favorite corner of the campus. So let's take a tour of our campus in Saskatoon.

I will start with the fitness centres that are on campus. We have well-equipped fitness centres where a fitness consultant is available to guide and assist you with your workouts. All students have free access to this service. Isn't that great?

In addition to that, we also have different Fitness Classes such as Boot Camp, Yoga and Spin, details of which are available online at www.campusrecsaskpolytech.com.

Are you a sport loving person? If you are, then

you can sign up for intramurals sports either individually or as a team at the SPSA Office. The schedules will be posted outside the office. There are also drop-in recreational sports that are played on a weekly basis in the gym such as Volleyball and Floor Hockey.

Isn't that the best way to take a break from your studies and enjoy spending some time with friends or making new friends?

Have you ever tried River Kayaking or Scuba? If not, then this year is the perfect opportunity for you to try something new. These are two courses that are offered on campus. You can also look online for more details.

Apart from the recreational activities and athletics, Saskatchewan Polytechnic has a beautiful campus that allows you to sit on one of the outdoor patios. Find one on the campus and enjoy your warm coffee and a book.

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THINGS TO DO ON CAMPUS - CONTINUED

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A perfect way to relax in the summertime would be to swim at the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre (HBAC) which is located beside the main campus. Students have free access to it if you paid SPSA fees, which is another perk of being a Saskatchewan Polytechnic student.

In case you are hungry, Saskatchewan Polytechnic has a Student Lounge that offers a space to connect and relax while grabbing some food. There are a number of places that

you can go to including the Bistro, Campus Fare Cafeteria, Corner Café, and the Student Lounge which has a servery run by the SPSA. The Student Lounge also has table tennis, foosball and pool.

However, if you are a person who loves reading and enjoying some leisure time with your favorite authors, you can always read plenty of novels that are available in the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Library. The Library is one of the best spaces on the campus that facilitates you to either use computers or access a study room

for group studying, food area to have some food and a silent room if you need absolute silence to study.

Lastly, remember it does not matter what you study and where you study until you share yourself with the world.

We have a wonderful campus and so as a student let's make it a unique experience by participating in every way. Let each day on campus be a new experience.

WAKE UP AND GET MOBILE!

*Dallas Burnett
VP Saskatoon*

For many post-secondary students, finding time to fit physical activity into a busy schedule can be difficult. However, it is important to remember the numerous benefits of staying active. Various studies suggest that increasing your physical activity can contribute to an increase to both physical and mental health.

There are many ways to get active here at the Saskatoon Campus. Campus Recreation in Saskatoon provides opportunities to play in athletics, participate in clubs, compete in intramurals, join fitness classes, or utilize the campus fitness centres and Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre.

The Prince Albert, Moose Jaw and Regina campuses also have numerous ways to get ac-

tive! For more information regarding athletics and recreation, visit Saskatchewan Polytechnic website link, <http://saskpolytech.ca/student-services/student-life/athletics-recreation.aspx> and check out what your campus has to offer!

Also, always feel free to drop in to your SPSA Office if you're looking for more information on how to get active.

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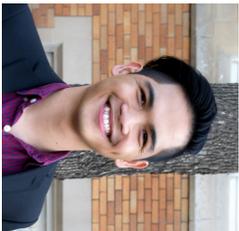
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Saturday, Sept. 9
11am - 5pm

THE SCANNER

**I SPY TO FLY!
PLAY ALONG TO BE ENTERED TO WIN A \$250 AIR CANADA TRAVEL VOUCHER FROM THE SPSA!**



With classes about to begin, President and CEO, Dr. Larry Rosia (far left) and SPSA President, Vann Cortez (left), are joining the crowd to celebrate the new school year! Find both of them in the picture above, circle them, and return your entry to the SPSA Office on your campus. Watch for next month's edition of the Scanner for another chance to play! We will draw a winner for a \$250 Air Canada voucher at the end of the academic year. *Sask Polytech Students only.*

Name: _____

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