



#### **Parkland College**

### College adds flexibility with Blended Learning

COVID-19 has significantly altered our everyday lives. It has changed so much of what we do and how we do it. But the pandemic has also shown us how important it

is to be adaptable. It has challenged us to find new ways of doing things. And when COVID-19 is finally behind us, there are certainly some innovations that will stick

For Parkland College, one of these additions is Blended Learning. The term refers to a mix of online instruction, face-to-face classes, experiential learning, and alternative

delivery methods.

Currently, Blended Learning gives Parkland College the flexibility to deliver programs while managing risks associated with COVID-19. Course material may be delivered through video conferences, live webcasts, recorded lectures, and modules, assignments, and exercises. Face-to-face classes still happen in programs with substantial hands-on learning components that are not easily

Face-to-face classes still happen in programs with substantial hands-on learning components that are not easily replicated in a virtual environment.

In the future, Blended Learning will evolve to remain an important feature of Parkland College programs. An increased focus on experiential learning will produce more well-rounded graduates while better preparing them for the world of work.

This is because most employers desire graduates with practical work experience. Work placements and practicums are already common in a number of Parkland College programs. The College is working to expand experiential learning to include it in more programs so that students have additional opportunities to apply their knowledge and practices their skills in real-life situations.

Meanwhile, many organizations are increasingly embracing technology and remote working arrangements – developments that have accelerated during the pandemic. More employers are also supporting employee development by providing access to training which can be delivered in a variety of ways. It is imperative that graduates are comfortable with technology and have the skills to learn in different environments, even after they've completed their formal education.

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Parkland College has long valued innovation, responsiveness, and continuous learning. By embracing the



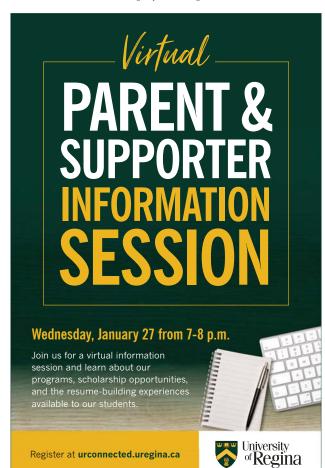






concept of Blended Learning, the College is offering students more flexibility and better preparing them for an ever-changing world.

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Program		Length		Tuition (Approx)
Agricultural Equipment Technician Certificate	Oct 2021 - June 2022	36 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,000
Automotive Service Technician Certificate	Sept 2021 - June 2022	37 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,000
Bachelor of Indigenous Education (First Nations University)	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton	varies
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (University of Saskatchewan)	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton	varies
Bachelor of Social Work (University of Regina)	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton	varies
Business Certificate - Year I	Sept 2021 - April 2022	32 weeks	Yorkton	\$4,200
Business - Year II (Management Diploma)	Sept 2021 - April 2022	32 weeks	Yorkton	\$4,470
Continuing Care Assistant Certificate	Sept 2021 - May 2022	32 weeks	Yorkton, Canora (PT)	\$4,700
Firefighter - NFPA 1001	July - Oct 2021	14 weeks	Melville	\$9,725
Heavy Equipment, Truck & Transport Technician Certificate	Sept 2021 - June 2022	36 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,000
Office Administration Certificate	Aug 2021 - May 2022	32 weeks	Yorkton	\$4,640
Power Engineering Certificate - Fourth Class	Sept 2021 - May 2022	36 weeks	Yorkton	\$5,220
Power Engineering Certificate - Third Class	Sept 2021 - Jan 2022	16 weeks	Yorkton	\$3,500
Primary Care Paramedic Certificate	Sept 2021 - Oct 2022	48 weeks	Melville	\$6,270
University - first year	varies	varies	Yorkton	varies
Welding Certificate	Sept 2021 - May 2022	35 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,000

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#### From health care, to first year university, to trades:

### Let Southeast College be your next step in education

There are plenty of benefits to taking courses through Southeast College, which offers students a wide range of learning opportunities and the chance to take class-

opportunities and the trainer to take classes right in their own communities.

Southeast College operates campuses in six communities throughout Saskatchewan. Students receive valuable hands-on post-secondary education and are expert-ly trained for careers in a wide variety of fields, with an emphasis on trades and technology. Southeast College also offers adult basic education options, first-year university classes and an inclusive list of continuing education courses. A robust scholarship and bursary program combined with an excellent student support team makes Southeast College an ideal choice for your education in Saskatchewan.

Sheena Onrait, the manager of marketing and communications at Southeast College, says there are a number of opportunities she's excited about for the 2021-2022 full time programs:

#### **Electrician Applied** Certificate

Moosomin

The Electrician Applied Certificate in Mosomin will be starting in the fall of 2021. Always a popular course, this 18-week program usually fills up every year. "The Applied Certificate program is equivalent to a Level 1. Once completed,

equivalent to a Level I. Once completed, students can go out and secure employment, register with Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and then start working towards their Level 2," says Onrait. "Our course in Moosomin is one that's almost fully subscribed, meaning it's almost always full."

Why is the course so popular every

year?
"I think it's a really, really great location because Moosomin is a couple hours from Brandon and a couple hours from Regina," says Onrait. "It captures those rural students in both southeastern Saskatchewan says!" as southwestern Manitoba. I think dents in both southeastern daskatchewan as well as southwestern Manitoba. I think it's also the fact that this program is such a longstanding program as well. We've been in Moosomin for as long as I've been at the college, so I think that it has a really great reputation, and our instructional staff in Moosomin have always been really strong as well. And of course we have re-ally good student supports in Moosomin as well, right from our campus manager to administrative support, as well as access to student advisors

#### **Continuing Care Assistant Certificate**

Whitewood & Weyburn

"This is another longstanding program," says Onrait. "It will be a fall start as well, and this one is a 32-week program. That combines the hands-on learning as well, as there is practical clinical learning with the

"Students are placed on practicums throughout the area, and when they finish they are fully qualified Continuing Care Assistants, so they are eligible to go work in care homes and home care. Those are usually the most common positions post-course with the Continuing Care Assistant

Program.
"Our health-care programs across the college have been really well attended for the last few years, showing us that there is a need for health care positions and health care education in southeast Saskatchewan.



I think the fact that it's been in Whitewood for so long helps, and again it's one of those courses where we are almost always

"This one draws from quite a wide area. In the past we've had students from Whitewood, from Moosomin, from Wolseley, from some of the First Nations com-munities that are located in that Whitewood area. It's just a nice central location to be able to offer that program."

#### First-year university classes

Moosomin & Whitewood

This fall marks the fifth year that the College will be offering first-year university classes through the University of Regina. "We usually don't find out that until around May or June exactly what classes



we are going to be offering, but it will be similar to what we have offered in the past," says Onrait. "We don't anticipate a whole lot of changes. For the most part the core classes have remained the same the past few years.'

Onrait says interest in the first-year U of Onrait says interest in the first-year U of R classes appears to be growing. In 2020-2021, these classed moved entirely online due to Covid-19, but Southeast College still saw a larger intake, with students from across the province signing up. These classes will remain online for the time being, however students still have access to students deviced to the state of t student advisers to help them along the

way.
"Each year our student interest keeps increasing. That is a really good indication that we are offering the right courses in the right locations across our region," says

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CONTINUING CARE ASSISTANT	WEYBURN AND WHITEWOOD
ELECTRICIAN	MOOSOMIN
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HAIRSTYLIST	WEYBURN
HEALTH CARE COOK	LOCATION TBD
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#### **University of Calgary Faculty of Law:**

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Since 1976, the Faculty of Law at the University of Calgary has had one mission: to fully prepare students for success in the legal profession. Through a variety of hands-on learning experiences that allow you to put your knowledge of the law into practice, you are able to hit the ground running no matter your career path. "Our job is to prepare students for the legal profession they will join, not the one we joined," explains Dr. Ian Holloway, dean of UCalgary Law. "The legal profession in Canada and around that world has entered a

fession in Canada and around that world has entered a period of tremendous change. Lawyers in today's markets need a wider range of skills and knowledge than in the past. Through our ground-breaking Calgary Curin the past. Through our ground-breaking Calgary Curriculum, we are committed to an innovative approach to teaching, to give our graduates the best education for the legal marketplace of tomorrow."

Marleea Lagimodiere, a 2019 graduate, agrees.
"I saw the benefits of the Calgary Curriculum during my summer job, where I was able to adapt quickly to working in a law firm. Many of the tasks I was asked to

complete were ones I had already encountered through school."

Several joint programs available
In addition to the Juris Doctor (JD) program, UCalgary Law offers a variety of joint programs, including a JD/MBA with the Haskayne School of Business (UCalgary), a JD/MPP (Master of Public Policy) with The School of Public Policy (UCalgary), and a dual JD programs with the University of Hoston Law Contents program with the University of Houston Law Center.

Students fluent in French can participate in our new-

est program, the Certification in Common Law in French (CCLF), offered in partnership with the University of Ottawa. As one of only two law schools in Canada to offer the certification, you will gain valuable skills in

offer the certification, you will gain valuable skills in French legal writing and advocacy, can pursue unique opportunities with the Supreme Court of Canada and other federal courts, and help increase access to justice for French-speaking Canadians.

"The CCLF is helping increase access to justice for those who find themselves navigating the legal system, and provides students a great opportunity to learn about language rights and different aspects of the law," explains Matthew Benson, JD'20, the first graduate of the program at UCalgary Law. the program at UCalgary Law.

#### **Build lifelong friendships**

Throughout your three years of law school, you will develop friendships and relationships that will last a lifetime. Students are amazed at the high level of collegiality that exists at UCalgary Law, further enhanced by our variety of clubs, sports teams, mooting program and other extra-curricular activities, including an annual ski trip, a graduation banquet at the beautiful Cha-teau Lake Louise, and the not-to-be-missed annual tal-

Sasha Best of the class of 2018 could not agree more. "I was excited to move to Calgary because it offers the best aspects of city life, while still boasting the most appealing qualities of smaller town living, with a friendly population and the ability to explore stunningly beautiful scenery and landscapes."

Career opportunities across Canada Calgary has one of the most dynamic legal markets Calgary has one of the most dynamic legal markets in North America today. One of the things that makes it special is the way that the profession embraces our students. From your earliest days at UCalgary Law, you will enjoy access to legal practitioners in a wide variety of fields and specialties. Our Career and Professional Development Office and legal professionals work together to provide a range of mentoring and educational opportunities, as well as networking events. Our students typically receive a significantly larger number of first- and second-year summer placements and internships in the Calgary legal market than other law schools, and each year more than 95% of our graduates secure job placements following graduation. secure job placements following graduation.

Applications for UCalgary Law open September 1

If you have been thinking about law school, there is no better time than now!

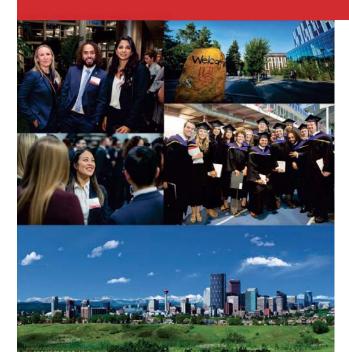
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- Application requirements include the following:

   Completion of an undergraduate degree in any area of study. We promise, there is no specific pre-law pro-
- Write the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT)

 Complete your Statement of Interest.
Visit law.ucalgary.ca/explore to find out more about UCalgary Law, our Calgary Curriculum, and our admissions requirements. If you have questions, please send us an email to law@ucalgary.ca.

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#### Why UCalgary Law?

The legal profession is changing, and you need to be prepared for the modern legal marketplace. At UCalgary Law, you'll not only learn the law, but you'll graduate equipped with the practical skills and knowledge required to finding success in the legal profession.

Additionally, you'll enjoy small class sizes, excellent professors with broad research expertise, and close proximity to the beautiful Rocky Mountains, making UCalgary Law an ideal choice for future law students.

Did you know? In 2019, 100% of our graduates secured employment in the legal profession!

We have a number of entrance scholarships available for exceptional students, ranging from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

**Applications for Fall 2022 open** September 1.



Learn more: law.ucalgary.ca/explore



### Lakeland College develops first bachelor of agriculture technology degree

Lakeland College is offering Canada's first degree in agriculture technology this fall. Developed to enable stufall. Developed to enable students to keep ahead of the curve in the rapidly evolving world of agricultural technology, Lakeland's bachelor of agriculture technology program offers real-world experience with the latest agricultural equipment, software, hardware and digital

Starting in September 2021, the two-year, post-credential program consists of full-time studies at the Vermilion campus and expe-Vermilion campus and experiential learning practicums off campus, all designed to bridge the gap between emerging technologies and agricultural management and production systems.

"There's a lot of technology already available and in use in the acricultural in-

in use in the agricultural industry. However, few people have an in-depth understanding of how to use it and the information it collects, or how to integrate that infor-mation into their commercial farm operations and agriculture businesses. Our new degree program will produce graduates who can effective-ly use emerging technologies and the data they produce in commercial agriculture to provide important answers on return on investment,"

says Michael Crowe, Lakeland's vice president of academic and research.
Students will delve into

orop and livestock farming and smart agriculture as a management system, including data collection and analysis as well as the use of interpretative tools and programs such as robotics, geospatial tools, artificial in-telligence and others. They'll also learn how to analyze and troubleshoot industryleading hardware, software and data platforms. Students will operate and adapt the technology and data systems on Lakeland's Student-Managed Farm – Powered by New Holland.

"Graduates of the pro gram will bring unique skill sets into the workforce by blending both agriculture production and agricultural technology expertise. Industechnology expertise. Industry feedback indicated there is a shortage of agricultural professionals who can inter-face between the two disciplines – our degree program will fill that gap," says Josie Van Lent, dean of the School of Agriculture Technology and Applied Research. "We greatly appreciate the sup-port and help from industry in the development of this program."

Courses offered in the bachelor of agriculture tech-



Lakeland College is offering Canada's first de-

nology program include emerging technologies in ag. economics of precision agriculture, precision farm-ing global positioning essen-tials and GIS for agriculture decision making, as well as specific courses related to the integration and use of ag technology in crops and ag technology in crops and livestock systems, farms and ranches. The curriculum looks at all platforms and all equipment brands. Students will specialize in either crops or livestock technological applications.
Graduates of the program

gree in agriculture this fall.

will find employment in a variety of agricultural production fields. These can

include data services, develnormed data services, dever-opment, management, preci-sion technology, production, research and sales with ag-ricultural technology comricultural technology com-panies, research organiza-tions, equipment dealerships and more. Practicums will be completed at agriculture data companies, technology and equipment manufacturers, agriculture equip-ment dealerships, crop input service providers, private agronomist service compa-nies, crop and livestock service centres, farms, breeding and genomic companies, and other related agriculture

industries.
The bachelor of agriculture

technology program is the culmination of several years of consultation, research and development, says Crowe, It was established in response to demand from industry and students. More than 40 agricultural organizations and companies were consulted during an independent industry needs assessment. A student survey indicated strong interest in a degree program and identified curriculum interests in the area of agriculture technology. Students in the bachelor of

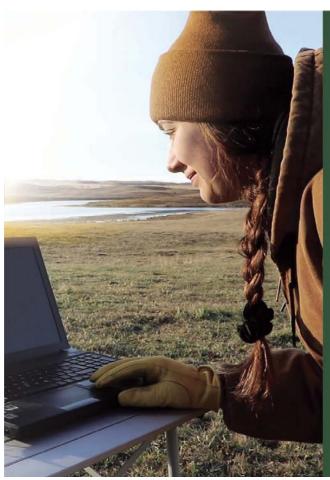
agriculture technology pro-gram will complete their oncampus studies and hands-on training in Lakeland's new agricultural technol-ogy centre, which is slated to open later this year. The 8,000-square-foot building at the Vermilion campus will be an on-farm lab where stube an on-tarm lab where students gain experience working with new ag technologies and analyzing new data-sets. For more information or to apply, visit lakelandcollege. ca/AgTechDegree. About Lakeland College Established in 1913, Lakeland College in a large facel.

land College is a place of pos-sibility that serves more than 6,400 students every year at its campuses in Vermilion, Alta., and Lloydminster, Alta./Sask., and through online and off-site programs and courses. Lakeland's

agricultural sciences programming prepares gradu-ates to make an impact in commercial agriculture and animal health. Programs are integrated with real-world integrated with real-world learning situations and new technologies. The Student-Managed Farm – Powered by New Holland (SMF) is Lakeland's flagship student-led opportunity. Students are in charge of managing commercial-scale crop, live-stock and ag research enterprises utilizing the latest equipment and technology. With access to modern ag With access to modern ag facilities, hundreds of head of livestock and 3,000+ acres, the real world comes to them before they graduate. Lakeland's Research Centre is a test-bed for innovations in agriculture and the applied research team is driven by one goal: advancing real-world agricultural produc-tivity and sustainability in key commercial crop and

livestock species.

Lakeland also offers programming in the areas of business, energy, environ-mental sciences, fire and emergency services, foundational learning, health and wellness, human services, interior design technology, trades and technology, and university transfer. For more information visit lakeland-



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Campuses in Vermilion, Alta. and Lloydminster, Alta./Sask.















### **Powerline Technician Apprenticeship** program starts 2021 on a High Note

hort of in-class students to its Powerline Technician Training facility in early January. The students started their Level Two Apprenticeship training in October 2020 with the online portion of their program and finished their two weeks of in-class practical studies on January 15, 2021. "The feedback we have received from

this cohort of students has been nothing short of tremendous. The students appreciated the flexibility of the online classroom portal that was very classroom portal that was used and were able to apply the practical knowledge they learned in the training facility," states Jody Holzmiller, VP Education and Training. "Not only has this program had a positive impact for Southeast College but for the City of Weyburn itself. Most students temporarily relocate to Weyburn for their inporarily felocate to Weybuilt for their in-class portion and that results in extra rev-enue for hotels, restaurants, gas stations, etc. It truly is a win-win for all of us."

Over the course of the 2020-2021 aca-demic year, Southeast College will train

110 Powerline Technician Apprentices in 11 different classes. The projection for the 2021-2022 academic year is 160 students in

"The Powerline Technician Apprentice-"The Powerline Technical Apprenticeship program has allowed Weyburn to be put on the map with respect to the quality of education that is provided as an extension of the Southeast College Campus. Weyburn businesses will see a significant positive impact due to students requir-ing accommodations, meals and other services while they study in our commu-nity," states Weyburn Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Twila Walkeden. "The Weyburn Chamber of Commerce is pleased to be partnered with the College in many aspects, but this one stands out as a highlight."

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Southeast College is proud to be the Trainer of Choice in Southeast Saskatchewan. The College offers innovative and flexible programming that encourages students to learn where they live.

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### **Building connections at Brandon University**



#### WRITTEN BY

BRANDON UNIVERSITY The past year has shown us how important it is to stay connected with families, friends and our community. Helping students build those strongconnec-tions is something that Brandon University does

As a growing university with 3,500 students from around the world, BU stays true to its prairie roots with a welcoming spirit and a commitment to delivering quality programs that prepare graduates for the opportunities and challenges of the future. Most BU classes have fewer than 20 students, allowing for a personalized education.

"Having small class sizes is probably what has helped me out the most," small said Elizabeth Glenn. third-year Physical Edu-cation student. "With professors working with you one-on-one you get to know each other, resulting in an amazing learning experience that helps you grow as a student and a person."

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dents make extend beyond the university. Brandon University's Cooperative Education program offers the chance for students to develop their career skills. By integrating study terms with full-time work terms at jobs related to their academic programs, students in the Co-op program can earn while they learn. Brandon University

is also a great place for students to take part in world-class research, even at the undergraduate lev-el. Right now, BU students are working with national and international experts on cancer detection, en-vironmental protection, quantum computing and Indigenous health and education

Extracurricular activi-ties like the Student Leader program and more than 50 clubs and collectives create even more oppor-tunities for growth and friendships.

"As a recent graduate

with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, joining the Student Leader program at Brandon University was one of the best decisions I made," said Laura Davidson. "This program allowed me to meet many other students from differ ent departments, which allowed me to form everlasting friendships."

Laura's not alone. More than 93 per cent of recent BU grads said that BU prepared them to excel. And 98 per cent said they'd beautily recommend BU

heartily recommend BU.

There are plenty of choices at BU, with 19 undergraduate degree program among Arts, Education, Health Studies, Science and the School of

Music. "Students "Students appreciate that they don't have to travel far or move to a big city to get the educa-tion that they're looking for," said Courtney Ad-ams, BU's Director of Re-

cruitment and Retention. "We've got everything that you need right here." Take a video tour of BU and book your virtual presentation today by visiting BrandonU.ca/

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### MHC adds Agroecology to program mix



#### WRITTEN BY THE MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE

An exciting new program has been added to Medicine Hat College's academic offering, giving students interested in sustainable agriculture an opportunity to become a registered technologist in

Agrology (RTAg), while staying close to home in the southern Prairies.

The two year Agroecology Technician diploma program provides students with the competencies required for produc-ing food, forage, fiber, and fuel using sustainable methods as well as a range of knowledge in the E's: environment. economics, and energy us-

ing systems theory.

Learners will engage in experiential learning opportunities to gain real-world experience in and assessing sustainable agroecological systems, meeting the knowledge, technical skills, and performance competencies required for certification with the Alberta Institute

of Agrologists.
"Medicine Hat College
is excited to bring this opportunity to learners in
southern Alberta and Saskatchewan as the program katchewan as the program is well-aligned and serves the needs of our region and communities in terms of offering new streams of or oriening new streams or employment and alterna-tive ways of doing agri-culture," explains the pro-gram's coordinator, Brent Smith.

This program uniquely Ins program uniquely teaches a systems-think-ing approach to sustain-able agriculture and will equip learners with the knowledge and skills re-quired for protecting and conserving natural eco-systems, as well as maximizing production sys-tems that mimic natural systems such as perennial crops, diversity, rotations, limited/no till grazing, and many more.

"Agriculture is one of southern Alberta's leading industries, and there is al-

ways going to be resources and demand for agricul-ture because everyone needs to eat," adds Smith. "This program leverages an important part of our region's economic sector and prepares students to meaningful, long-employment and a future income stream that's not going to be sub-ject to market forces."

Employment opportu-nities that stem from the completion of the Agro-ecology Technician diplo-ma include agricultural research technician, urban agriculture designer or landscaper, range manage-ment consultant or profes-sional, and an environ-mental consultant.

Graduates will also be equipped with the entrepreneurial knowledge needed to start a business in sustainable agriculture or greenhouse horticul-ture, or support the take-over of a family agriculture business as a crop or

livestock producer.

"An exciting aspect to this program is the innovative and creative opportunities in diversifying cur-rent practices and products that will emerge. Students will taught about free food production design sys-tems, low input parks and community spaces, and drought-proofing and wa-ter harvesting that all have a profoundly positive im-pact on the future of our communities and our en-

vironment. "Additionally, there are additionally, there are all kinds of agricultural products that our region is well with a is well-suited to produce that we are currently not that we are currently not taking advantage of, and this program can be in-fluential in creating new industry and bringing subsequent jobs in our re-gion," remarks Smith. Upon completion of the diploma, the opportunity further exists for students to transfer to universities

to transfer to universities offering sustainable agri-

culture programs.

Applications are now open for this program, with the first intake of students to begin their studies in Fall 2021.

For more information on MHC's Agroecology Technician program or to apply, visit www.mhc.ab.ca. To schedule an appointment with a career special-ist or academic advisor, call 1-866-282-8394

### **Creative passion** becomes profession



WRITTEN BY THE MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE

From small town Saskatchewan to beautiful British Columbia, education at Meditime Hat College (MHC) helped pave the way to a career of joy and fulfillment for Myron Campbell.

Campbell is a thriving artist and a professor in the division of Visual Arts at the

University of British Columbia Okanagan (UBCO). His creative journey began in the Visual Communications diploma program at MHC, which has since become Bachelor

of Applied Arts – Art and Design.
"Medicine Hat College is a little gem.
I first heard about the institution from
my junior high art teacher and after high school. I went to the city to visit a friend

who was taking the program. I absolutely loved it there," remarks Campbell.

"Medicine Hat was the perfect size and not too big which was desirable to me havnot too big which was desirable to me having grown up in Weyburn, Saskatchewan. The facility had high end equipment and 24 hour access - both were unprecedented at the time. The program was well rounded in that I could pursue my own personal art, as well as client-based work at the same time. I knew it was the perfect fit for ""."

Campbell acknowledges the program as being influential in shaping him into the

artist he is today, crediting the vast array of modalities, skills, and techniques he was exposed to during his time at the col-

s program is unique in that it of-"MHC's program is unique in that it of-fers a real balance of both fine arts training and design training. It's pretty rare to get that balance in a program, and the college does a great job of it," explains Campbell. "It's an ideal academic pathway for someone like me who can't decide what type of artist I am on any given day. I was

then built up my practice to what suited me. I received a real broad training which was so awesome."

Campbell praises a professor he had at MHC as a huge inspiration and driving force behind where he is today, a role strives to fill for the students he now

"Teaching creative studies is where I be-long. My passion for art and creativity has lead me to a place where I'm forever being fulfilled, inspired, and growing as an artist, designer and practitioner."

Learn more about Art & Design and all

of the programs Medicine Hat College has to offer at www.mhc.ab.ca. To schedule an appointment with a career specialist or academic advisor, call 1-866-282-8394.





### Team effort enhances student experience

Sask Polytech Simulation Centre teams up with

Addictions Counselling to give students real world experience

Ask alumni about their time at Saskatch ewan Polytechnic and they'll probably have a story about one special class. For current students in the Addictions Counselling diploma program, that one class may very well be COUN 155-Addictions

Counselling Practice.

"Individual counselling is the cornerstone of an addiction counsellor's work,
and Addictions Counselling Practice gives and Addictions Consening Fractice gives students the skills they will need in the workplace," says instructor Joy Friesen. "It's a lab class where students practice the counselling model with each other, but we thought providing them with simulated clients would be an outstanding experi-

ence."
Simulated clients? Friesen is referring to actors hired by Sask Polytech's Simulation Centre to portray different clients. Each client had a different presenting problem, level of motivation and way of sharing their story. "It's difficult to simulate the dynamic that happens in real life between a client and a counsellor. When students are practicing with their peers or instructors." practicing with their peers or instructors, there's a degree of comfort because you know it's not a real client," Friesen says.

Using live actors to simulate the client-counsellor interaction was designed to give students an opportunity to work through the first stage of the counselling model, while at the same time adapting each client's defense mechanisms, types of storytelling and process of building rap-port. Students also practiced building cultural safety and being culturally respon-

turial safety and being culturally responsive with clients.

COVID-19 prevented students' from having face-to-face interactions, so Benn Hart and Wendy Wilson, both simulation



technicians at Sask Polytech, stepped up to help develop an experience that was as real as possible. "With COVID, Sask Polytech had to

with COVID, Sask Polytech had to move a lot of things to virtual platforms very quickly, so it's been really busy in the Simulation Centre," Hart says. "What we do often looks easy, but there's a lot we have to do in the background to make it

The first step was meeting with Friesen The first step was meeting with Friesen to discuss her goals. "This was our first time working with the Addictions Counselling program, so we had a Zoom meeting with Joy to get a clear understanding of what she was looking for," says Wilson. "We hired actors to fit her scenarios and brought them to our simulation centre in Seek steen, where we could presum core." Saskatoon, where we could ensure contact and social distancing guidelines were followed. We worked with the actors on

their roles and set up the

rooms."
Friesen met with the actors to brief them on the counselling model and the goals of the clinical lab. "I also encouraged them to ad lib. I wanted our students to learn to trust themselves, because a counsellor never knows what a client will say or how they will act,' she says.

The simulation rooms The simulation rooms were equipped with cameras and the necessary technology to allow remote log in to the virtual counselling sessions. Wilson and Hart provided onsite technical support, while Friesen and her students logged in from their homes. Each student completed a 30 to 40-minute. pleted a 30 to 40-minute simulated counselling ses-sion, followed by feedback from observing students and the actor. Friesen was able to view each session

as it happened. Based on student feedback, the virtual Based on student feedback, the virtual counselling sessions were a big success. "Our students loved having this opportunity," Friesen says. "They say it really helped them understand the importance of staying grounded, of building the therapeutic alliance and of meeting the client where they are at. The whole simulation experience was rich in learning and really built their confidence."

### Let Southeast College be your next step in education

"You can take your first year of university close to home, and there are advantages to taking that first year in a smaller setting with a really close-knit cohort of students," she says. Onrait notes that Covid-19 has changed the closeness of the learning enviroment for now, but says it was one of the main advantages before, and will hopefully remain one of the main advantages after Covid-19. "There is the small class sizes, you always have a student advisor there if you're having a challenge with anything. I think that the bonus of having that unique setting is really getting out into our communities, and I think that's why we're attracting more and more students to the first year of university classes."

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#### **Scholarships** and Bursaries

Southeast College has awarded \$850,000 in scholarships and bursaries over the past five years to Southeast College students. The Southeast College scholarship and bursary program for 2021-22 academic year is currently being re-evaluated to meet the ongoing needs of students at Southeast College, and Onrait says there are some exciting changes coming. "We're are some exciting changes coming. "We're taking some goals that we want to achieve and we are re-aligning our scholarship and bursaries to better serve the students and our goals," says Onrait.

#### Adaptability during Covid-19 Onrait says it has been wonderful to see

the way that students and staff at Souththe way that students and starr at south-east College have adapted in the face of Co-vid-19 after the college moved to a blended learning model. "Our students and our faculty have really embraced the blended learning with Covid-19. They have had ac-cess to some face-to-face instruction when needed and also some online and blended learning when needed. Overall it has been a very positive experience across the col-lege," say Onrait.

"Our staff fully embraced the online learning as soon as we could and we accepted it as the new norm, and our students have done a remarkable job of adapting to that. We feel the blended learning of face-to-face when needed, and in-class when needed, and online when needed, is the best of all worlds for everyone as some students prefer online to face-to-face and students piete of the total to the total total vice versa. We have all the requirements in place to be able to do that and do it very well. Our students have been extremely successful at that this year. Programs that we thought would be difficult to do in a blended learning environment have proved to be some of the most positive experiences."

Due to Covid-19, Onrait says blended learning will likely continue at the college for some time, although it's hard to say for certain as the pandemic changes and





#### **Mount Royal University**

## Career-bound students gain experience during pandemic

It's no surprise that Mount Royal University nursing and midwifery students have been fast-tracked into the workforce during the pandemic, but students from other health disciplines, plus science, communications and business programs, have been gaining experience remotely from industries across Canada as well.

This past summer, typically a busy time for students looking for career experience, hundreds of MRU students in programs such as environmental science, accounting and policy studies, were placed in internships and co-op work terms despite in-person workplace restrictions.

"We really had to get creative and advocate for students to find placements during that time," says Sarah Imran, director of Career Services at Mount Royal. She knew students could provide support where many offices and clinics needed the extra hands.

"They needed them as much as students needed the experience," Imran

says.

Internships help students meet not only their program requirements towards graduation, but also gain hands-on insight in their chosen fields. According to Imran, over 50 per cent of MRU programs require one or more industry placement.

Katherine Sharples, fourth-year Bachelor of Communications — Public Relations student, secured a summer internship with a busy marketing and



communications team while they were in the throes of relaying new COVID-19 pro-

tocols. "Leading up to the internship, we had a class specific to work-term prepa-

ration. We did mock interviews, learned how to write proper cover letters and had our resumes approved by a Career Services expert," Sharples says. Despite the challenge, Sharples says

Despite the challenge, Sharples says she was prepared. Like many MRU programs, public relations provides students with work experience through in-class projects with community partners. In total, MRU students have contributed more than 300,000 hours of community service learning at over 500 community organizations. It's working outside the classroom that allows students to further exercise the skills they've learned over the course of their degree.

Imran was right about the value of student placements. The work Sharples completed during her internship proved invaluable to her team and she is now working as an employee while completing her studies.

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"I know that this experience will act as a strong foundation for the rest of my career," Sharples says.

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Now that the new year is upon us and the winter semester has begun, Imran and the Career Services team are working to secure placements for more students like Sharples in 2021.

"While we are still very much dealing with the pandemic restrictions, together with our industry and community parts."

"While we are still very much dealing with the pandemic restrictions, together with our industry and community partners we are committed to providing students with valuable career experience by the time they graduate," Inran says.



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#### SUNTEP

### Teacher training leading the way in Metis education



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2019 Pre-service student teacher candidate Paige LaRose interacts with students during her classroom experience in fall 2019.



Bottom: Wendy Gervais, AD, WR III; Juanita Tuharski, GDI Board member; Dr. Earl Cook, Chair of the GDI Board of Governors

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fered a four-year, accredited Bachelor of Education program, delivered by the Gabriel Dumont
Institute (GDI), in collaboration with
the Ministry of Advanced Education
and the University of Regina.
The SUNTEP program mandate focuses on pre-service teacher training
in elementary education that includes
corese authors program with an expectation of the corese and the cores and the core and the cores and the cores and the core and the cores and the core and a cross-cultural specialization, with an emphasis on Métis/First Nations history, culture and the Michif language. Foundational education theories embrace the pedagogy of relations, culturally responsive education and skills of teaching.

The provincial curriculum and soci-

etal issues are framed in anti-oppressive and anti-racist education lenses which extend to the schools and classroom experience. SUNTEP pre-service student teacher

candidates spend a significant amount of time in urban schools working with students, teachers and the school community to gain invaluable experiences that initiate a career pathway in edu-cation. The professional school place-

cation. The professional school placement experience progresses each year in the program finishing off with a sixteen-week internship in year four. The primary goals of SUNTEP are: To ensure that people of Métis ancestry are adequately represented in the teaching profession, and to ensure that SUNTEP graduates are educated to be sensitive to the individual needs of all students, and those of Indigenous ancestry.

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GDC offers the first two years of classes toward a four year University of Regina undergraduate degree in an Arts and Science program with sponsored tuition for Métis students.

Application deadline date for both SUNTEP & GDC is May 1st.

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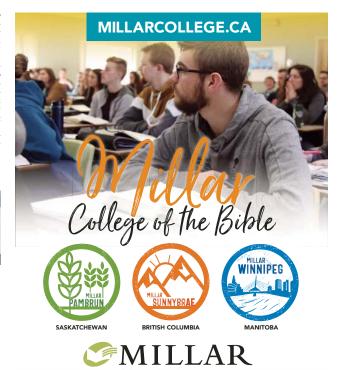
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Josie Harrison

**Dreaming Big** Josie Harrison has always

loved art. Growing up in a small town in Saskatch-ewan, she wanted more co-curricular opportunities, and chose Luther for her high school education.

Josie enjoyed the inde-pendence of the art pro-gram at Luther. At the an-nual Fine Arts Night, Josie's final project display was colourful and much dis-cussed. She felt a real sense of pride in her completed works that included a denim jacket, painting and mask. She loved displaying her sketchbook for members of the Luther community. It was a true sense of accomplishment.

accomplishment.
Upon graduating in 2019,
Josie was accepted into the
Graphic Arts program at
the University of the Arts
London (UAL) in London, England. UAL is ranked second in the world for art and design. Her journey to UAL started when she decided that she wanted to live in Europe and she began to research art schools. She loved the thought of being in London and active the first that the first cepted the offer from UAL. Josie sees herself taking full advantage of traveling Europe and the world but also wants to eventually be a Creative Director working on projects in print, video and digital.

and digital.

"Going to Luther inspired
me to take risks to go on to
bigger things. My experiences at Luther gave me the
courage to make a move to London to pursue Graphic Design at the University of the Arts."

Academically, Josie says that the teachers at Luther are really helpful. "They really care about the students and they are invested in students' success." Her favourite Luther tradition is the Luther Invitation Tour-nament (LIT) blitz art night.



"It is such a memorable time when students are working together to get ready for the basketball tournament. Being at LIT is fun but the event also showcases the sense of community and

school spirit."

The friendships Josie has made at Luther are truly life-long. She met a diverse group of friends from all walks of life and from all over the world.



Mayson Sonntag

Reach Your Goals

Mayson Sonntag first per-formed in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory as Charlie when he was 8 years

old. Today he is studying towards a Bachelor of Fine

towards a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree at Ithaca Col-lege in New York State. Each year, more than 2,000 students apply to the theatre program at Ithaca College and only 16 are ac-cepted. Mayson Sonntag, from the Luther College Class of 2018, was one of them.

Mayson's schedule is extremély busy at Ithaca College. It's filled with course work, acting courses, dance training and he still has to find time to work out, eat and sleep and do home-work. He credits his time work. The Cledits his filled as a Luther College High School student for prepar-ing him for such a rigorous schedule. The time manage-ment skills learned at Luther made the shift an easy and smooth one.

and smooth one.

Mayson chose Luther
College High School because he knew that he had
some ambitious academic
goals. He also really liked
the idea of small class sizes and the opportunities in the fine arts, especially the mu-

sic program. Even though he had many friends who also chose Luther, he also made new friends from all over the world. His best friends today are the people he met at Luther.

Mayson loved being part of the musicals and participating in many activities. He was SRC president in his senior year at Luther. He enjoyed being part of the Luther Invitational Tournament (LIT), an example he claims showcases the true

community environment.
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The Bachelor of Education program prepares students to become certified teachers in the province of Saskatchewan. Students choose from several program

Students choose from several program routes, including focusing on early years (Prekindergarten to Grade 3), middle years (Grades 4 to 8), or secondary levyears (Grades 4 to 8), or secondary levels (Grades 9 to 12). Combined and joint degree options include the Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology and Bachelor of Education program for those interested in teaching physical education at the secondary level, as well as the Bachelor of Education – Sequential Music for those interested in purguing a cargor as a music teacher. ed in pursuing a career as a music teacher.
The College of Education is also a na-

tional leader in Indigenous Education and offers culturally immersive programs focused on serving First Nations and Métis

The inclusion of Indigenous knowledge and worldview is a vital component to ed-ucation in Canada, and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education has mandated the inclusion of First Nation, Inuit and Métis content in all subject areas from Prekin-

content in all subject areas from Prekin-dergarten to Grade 12.

"We are committed to providing the re-sources, opportunities, scholarly research and materials needed to provide teacher candidates with the tools necessary to ful-fill this mandate, and we are proud to have one of the largest numbers of Indigenous education alumni in the world," reported Dr. Wallio Dr. Wallin.

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"Saskatchewan and other provinces are experiencing a shortage of immersion teachers, specifically in Cree and French, but also in other languages," noted Dr. Wallin. "The LTEP route supports teacher candidates by offering methodology courses in Cree or French, as well as coursework that focuses on teaching in second language settlings."

Student supports

"We place a lot of emphasis on supporting a new student's transition from high school to university and into the teaching

school to university and into the teaching profession," explained Dr. Wallin. "In the first two years of our program students are part of small groups of 30 to 35 students in

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didate to complement their studies than to gain experience in school divisions.

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