

### vocational pathways at Canadian Mennonite University

COMPILED BY AARON EPP A practicum—a work-integrated learning experi-ence—is a degree require-ment within all Bachelor degrees at Canadian Men-nonite University (CMU). Alongside BA studies, and including CMU's Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Business Administration degrees, practicum experiences enrich learning and provide students with op-portunities to discern voand cational calling and career paths. CMU connects with over 500 local and international community partners. Below, two recent alumni reflect on how they have connected their degrees with their practicum experiences to open career opportunities

### **Craig Neufeld**

('16) BA, 4-year, Commu-nications and Media Practicum: Red River Val-

ley Echo, summer 2015 Currently: Sales and Mar-keting Representative, Friesens Packaging, Altona, MB Studying Communica-tions and Media at CMU made it clear to me that communication is at the heart of everything we do. Whether it's work, relationships, sports, or life in gen-eral, communication will always be at the forefront. My

practicum as a reporter for the Red River Valley Echo also helped shape this view. As a reporter, I did a lot of interviews. I took those interviews and turned them into stories for the public to read. A poorly executed in-terview and a sloppy article hold no value, so strong communication skills were needed in developing ques tions, creating a comfortable atmosphere for the inter-viewee, and then relaying the story to the public. Both CMU and the Red River Vallev Echo taught me how to be clear and concise, and I carry that with me today as I work as a salesman for Fri-

esens Packaging in Altona, MB. Making phone calls and typing emails are my avenues into building relationships with a wide range of people, and being able to do so clearly and concisely is a large part of what allows me to be successful.

#### **Esther Derksen**

('16) BA, 3-year, General/ Sciences Assiniboine Practicum:

Park Zoo Veterinary Hospi-tal, 2015-16

Currently: Studying at Western College of Veteri-nary Medicine, University

of Saskatchewan When I first arrived at CMU, I felt I was fulfilling my parents' wishes; this was a means to an end. I had decided I wanted to be a vet-erinarian, and the only thing that kept me from going to vet school was knowing that at least CMU offered the science classes constituting vet school prerequisites. Besides these necessary courses, classes on food, peace, and philosophy lectures— all with an explicit faith focus—became common in my schedule. In retro-spect, this was no accident,

and I can only be thankful I wasn't more stubborn and contrary. In my third year, I did a practicum with the veterinarians at Winnipeg's Assiniboine Park Zoo. This was my first exposure to ecosystem health and con-servation medicine. My mind exploded. For a long time, I'd felt the need to do something in the conflict that exists between agricul-ture and care for the Earth. Here, as a veterinarian, I could see a future. CMU de-manded an evolution from me, though it took me time to recognize it. to recognize it.



Craig Neufeld



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### Wide Open: a world of opportunities for students in agricultural and food sciences

Students join the Faculty of Agricul-tural and Food Sciences at the University

of Manitoba for many different reasons. Some want to learn more about how to Some want to learn more about how to help feed the world by developing new crops, or improved ways to use existing ones. Or, they are interested in learning how to create new food products, or how to promote nutrition and healthy eating. They might want to expand their knowledge of animals, or perhaps even start working toward becoming a veteri-narian. Others are interested in learning more about the business of agriculture, and how to manage an enterprise. For

and how to manage an enterprise. For some, the focus is on the environment, and the best ways to protect delicate ecosystems while producing safe, healthy and nutritious food. Whichever of these a student chooses,

Whichever of these a student chooses, our Faculty provides the opportunity for students to receive an applied science education that will open doors to a broad range of dynamic careers. Adelle Gervin grew up on a small beef farm near Virden and has always had a love for animals. Initially interested in the Pra-Vaterinary Madicine Program her in-

Pre-Veterinary Medicine Program, her in-terest in the diverse sector that is agriculture grew and she has since switched her pursuits to the four-year Animal Systems degree. For Adelle, the best part about her program so far is the extensive "out of classroom" learning involved. "This term, I have visited several dif-

"This term, I have visited several dif-ferent beef operations, an elk farm, a bi-son farm, a sheep farm, and a provincial processing plant," she says. She adds there are also opportunities for practical experience at the Universi-ty's very own research farm. Located just 20 kilometres from campus, the Glenlea Research Station includes livestock fa-cilities, dairy pastures and plot areas for Plant Science, Soil Science and Entomol-ory.

Once she gets her degree, Adelle looks forward to working in the beef sector ei-ther making feed ration formulations or in animal welfare with a focus on mini-



mizing animal stress and improving

meat quality "As a thriving industry, agriculture has endless job opportunities that I will be qualified for at the end of my degree," she enthuses.

After graduating from high school in Rossburn, Drew Luhowy wanted to ex-pand his knowledge of agriculture, both at the farm and industry levels. "I wanted to learn and, more impor-tantly, understand why certain decisions with schemet of the sch

tantly, understand why certain decisions are being made," he says. Drew chose the agribusiness option of the Diploma in Agriculture program at the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences. Both of his parents are alumni of degree and diploma programs in the Faculty, so he admits that played a factor in his decision

"However," he adds, "the agriculture programs at the University of Manito-

by the control of the an environment for student success. His



Drew Luhowy from Rossburn

advice to those considering entering the

Diploma in Agriculture program? "Give it a shot! You will never regret a decision to further your education. Be-yond the classroom, you will meet peo-ple and make connections that will last vour lifetime.

your lifetime." The Faculty is home to a number of thriving, student-led organizations pro-viding students opportunities to truly make a difference while they enjoy great social events and create those lifelong timedobine. Students eagulatly narticifriendships. Students regularly partici international exchanges, competitions and international exchanges, opening up a world of opportunities outside the classroom.

Drew has always envisioned return-ing to the farm and working within the agriculture industry in some way. Look-ing ahead, Drew plans to carry on into an

The Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences offers diverse programs where students are able to focus on what mat-ters to them, whether it's environmen-

or food safety. Along the way, students build the skills and knowledge that can take them from the field, to the research lab, to the boardroom. The programs al-low students to combine science and business to innovate, to find solutions, to answer challenges, and to improve the lives of people in Manitoba and around the world.

the world. The work is exciting and meaningful and students are in high demand, with 73 per cent working full-time summer jobs. The Faculty houses modern, world-class facilities and cutting-edge technology that provide a foundation for students to build the skills and knowledge they need to pursue careers in aeribusiness, with to pursue careers in agribusiness, with food and beverage companies, at finan-cial institutions, trading companies, and government. For students of Agricultural and Food Sciences, the options are—liter-

and Food Sciences, the options are—liter-ally—wide open. The application deadline for direct (straight from high school) entry into the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences with studies commencing Sep-tember 2018, is March 1. Advanced en-try students—that is those coming after one year of study at Brandon University or other post-secondary instituton—can

one year of study at Brandon University or other post-secondary institution—can apply by May 1. The Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences offers over \$700,000 in awards and bursaries to students enrolled in the programs offered by the Faculty each year.

Additionally, students who have graduated from a Manitoba high school can apply for the Centennial Entrance Scholarship regardless of entry mode or pro-gram. This year, 11 students coming into the Faculty will receive \$2,000 towards their tuition.

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Students of the UR Guarantee at the University of Regina. From left, Rachel Meana,Shelby Piechotta, Baohui (Jocelyn) Jia, Edwin Seto and Tea Gerbeza

### The UR Guarantee Program

The UR Guarantee program at the University of Regina is designed to support students through every step of their university experience by empowering them to achieve their educational, career and life goals. The program provides support to students from first year to academic program completion, preparing them for carer after university. For current UR Guarantee international student Baohui Jia, this program has no support to adapt to life on campus and fired saw. To international student Baohui Jia, this program has no support to adapt to life on campus and find many of these activities and the pro-

For current UR Guarantee internation-al student Baohui Jia, this program has helped her to adapt to life on campus and make the most of her time at the Univer-sity of Regina. "When I came to university, my main challenge was homesickness." my main challenge was homesickness," says Jia. "This was because that was my first time leaving my family and coming to another country by myself. It was scary

find many of these activities and the pro-gram is also awesome because students can get an additional free year of classes if they cannot find a career job within six months after graduation," says Jia. Find more information about the UR

guarantee at visit uregina.ca/urguarantee.



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## Luther College Residence: Make yourself at home

"I love the community feel of the Luther Residence. I have lived here for three years because of the 'family environment' where you are able to connect with students who have similar interests and backgrounds from all over Saskatchewan, Canada, and the world.

#### - Brenden Easton

The Luther College Residence makes it easy for you to feel at home by providing independence, convenience, and the abil-ity to connect with new friends who feel like old ones. What better way to enjoy the Inte old ones. What better way to enjoy the full Luther experience than to live here? All University of Regina, Luther College, Campion College, First Nations Univer-sity of Canada, Saskatchewan Polytech-nic, and other post-secondary students are welcome to apply on a first-come, first-served basis.

Our private fully-furnished rooms are right on campus and come with free wifi, free local phone calls, and free laundry. We have secure living conditions with easy ac-cess to 24-hour residence staff who create and facilitate social activities and events throughout the year. The Luther Residence also features an all-you-care-to-eat meal plan at the Luther Cafeteria, where we ca-ter to a wide range of dietary needs—all you need to do is ask. Our culinary team Job need to do is ask. Our climitary team led by Chef Moe provides the most com-prehensive and economical post-second-ary meal plan options in Saskatchewan. Students living in the Luther Resi-dence can choose from one of three meal

plan options, with current plans ranging



A private dorm room at the Luther Residence.

per semester from \$1,700 (a lite plan of per semester from \$1,700 (a lite plan of approximately 8-10 meals per week) to \$2,400 (a full meal plan including 19 meals per week). Luther's all-you-care-to-eat ex-perience includes a variety of fresh, from scratch, nutritious home-cooked entrees, scratch, nutritious nome-cooked entrees, sides, salad bar, soups, drinks, and des-serts. It's a great option for student ath-letes, busy students, and students experi-encing their first time away from home. We know students have busy schedules

and fast-paced lives but want more than



Students having lunch at the Luther College Cafeteria.

fast food. We believe convenience means providing unlimited all-day access to real food options. That's why the Luther Cafeteria is open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on weekdays and from Noon to 6:00 p.m. on weekendys and holi door in addition, our 14 and 19 meal per week plans include a bonus \$150 each semester to use at University of Regina food vendors and a bonus \$200 each semester to use at Luther's Connection Café coffee shop. No other food service on campus offers such a compre-

service on campus offers such a compre-hensive service at prices so affordable. Luther Residence students also have the opportunity to apply to be part of the Pre-Professional Living-Learning Com-munity (LLC). This LLC is an exciting col-laboration between Luther College and the University of Regina Housing Ser-vices. It is designed specifically to support students programs students pursuing professional programs in the Health-Sciences. Not only will you live together with other pre-professional Inve together with other pre-protessional students, you will also receive a reserved spot in a specialized Science-themed Eng-lish 100 course, networking opportunities with professionals in your interest area, social activities, and more. To celebrate the opening of our newly renovated residence, we are excited to be offering \$20,000 in Residence Awards for Luther, residence, we have a social set of the set of the

Luther-registered students who also ap-ply to live in the Luther Residence. This initiative is a part of our ongoing commit-ment to student success and is included in the \$100,000 of awards available to Luther students each year, in addition to Univer-sity of Regina scholarships.

"I love the community feel of the Luther Residence. I have lived here for three years because of the 'family environment' where you are able to connect with students who have similar interests and backgrounds have similar interests and backgrounds from all over Saskatchewan, Canada, and the world. Also, now that the Luther Caf-eteria is open from 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. during the week, I can eat real food at a time that works best with my class sched-ule which is great—not to mention no dishes to clean," says Brenden Easton, third-year Luther Arts student, and third-year Luther resident

third-year Luther Arts student, and third-year Luther resident. "Not having to cook for myself and the free laundry on site are just two of the many conveniences that I've found at Lu-ther," says Treighton Litzenberger, third-year Business Admin student, and third-year Luther resident. "I have made many friends while eating in the Luther Cafetefriends while eating in the Luther Cafete-ria or socializing in the student lounges and common areas. There are always residence events throughout the semester for you to get out and enjoy, and take a break from studying. I have found that living in the Luther Residence has taken some of the pressure off of going to university through the friendships that I have made, and the support networks that are always around."

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cation! The most common question is "What does St. Peter's College offer?" The short answer is "Lots!" As a long time

affiliate of the University of Saskatch-ewan, St. Peter's College has evolved from a one-time boarding high school to a technologically state of the art full service campus. As for the programs, St. Peter's is proud to offer complete first year programming for all direct entry University of Saskatchewan colleges. That means the Colleges of Agriculture and Bioresources, Kinesiology, Arts and Science, Engineering, and the Edward School of Business are all at St. Peter's College Our covert ad diffuse direct the St. School of Business are all at St. Peter's College. Our newest addition, direct entry College of Education, presents prospective teachers with a unique op-portunity. Thanks to the cooperation of area school divisions, St. Peter's Educa-tion students in their first year will be involved in a mini-internship in rural schools. This is a wonderful chance for schools. This is a wonderful chance for schools to gain enthusiastic pre-pro-

fessional supports and for soon-to-be teachers to gain valuable insights into their chosen profession. With the Benedictine traditions upon

which the College was founded very much intact, visitors to St. Peter's will discover what locals know—that the College and Abbey are the heart of a vibrant community. The sports com-plex buzzes throughout the year with hockey in the rink, and soccer, basketball, volleyball, and many other sports in the spacious gymnasium. The well in the spacious gymnasium. The well equipped fitness centre and modern racquetball court ensure that students

have plenty of ways to exercise their bodies as well as their minds and spirits. Finally, the fully furnished and ren-ovated residence wing, complete with full food service, means that students can beat the winter blues by having all the amenities under one roof.

the amenities under one roof. St. Peter's College, on the outskirts of the growing city of Humboldt, Sas-katchewan, invites friends new and old to visit its historic campus and ex-perience first hand the many natural wonders of the region. It's truly a place where we invite our students to "Live Your Education!" Your Education!"



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## From first-year university to health care and the trades Southeast College offers a wide range of options

#### First-year U of R classes being offered at Southeast College

Southeast College is now offering students a chance to take first-year University of Regina courses at their local Southeast College campuses and students are taking advantage of these classes for a number of reasons.

Moosomin's Shelby McGonigal took English and Sociology classes through the U of R at the Southeast College campus in Moosomin last fall. McGonigal planned to go to hair school next year as a back up trade before pursu-ing a degree in either business or social work. She said she wouldn't be taking university courses at all if they hadn't been offered locally.

been offered locally. "I'm going to hair school next year and it's really expensive, so I decided I'd save my money for hair school and then I don't have to pay rent this year," she says. "I want to get a degree in business or social work." The university classes at Southeast

The university classes at Soutneast College are being taught via Skype, with one professor teaching a class to all of the Southeast College campus locations, and students tuning in from each location. Some of the courses are also offered online.

McGonigal said she was enjoying the small classes. "In my one class there's only two of us and in the other one there is only two fus and in the other one there is only four," she says. "It's easier to ask a direct question to a classmate without having people talk. We watch it over Sky-Itaving people talk. We watch it over Sky-pe. If we have a question we can just turn on the microphone and ask the teacher because their classes are also small. The prof is in Weyburn."

McGonigal says there are also signifi-cant cost savings to taking her first year

"It's way cheaper than going away. There's less expense and the classes aren't as expensive online. It's just a way cheaper route if you're wanting to go on to further schooling. "I would recommend taking your first

year here if you can because you save a lot of money and it's just a chance that not a lot of people would get, but if you have it in your community why not ben-efit from it?"

Kelly Brown, who lives near Whitewood, says having first year U of R class-es available in Moosomin means she has

es available in Moosomin means she has an opportunity to further her career that she would otherwise not have. "I'm currently a licensed practical nurse so now I'm working towards my Bachelors degree in nursing to be an BU" abcourse RN," she says. "I have a three-year-old at home and I

Just had a baby four months ago, so not having to move to the city and being able to stay at home and have family support makes this way more possible for me right now."

Brown savs there is no way she could Brown says there is no way she could take university courses if they weren't of-fered locally. "I don't think I could make it work. I couldn't move to Regina with a newborn," she says. "I don't know how I could do it if I doin't have these classes in Moosomin." Brown doesn't hesitate when asked

what she'd tell others about taking the university classes at Southeast College. "Do it," she says. "Because the first year "Do it," she says. "Because the first year will save you a whole year in whatever city you are going to. You can still work. You can still live with mom and dad if you are just out of high school. You can save up more money. It would prob-ably save you around \$10,000 doing it in Moosomin rather than going to Regina. Do it " Do it '

Do it." Tyson Nobert from Rocanville is tak-ing first year classes at Southeast College with the aim of getting his Bachelor de-gree in Business Administration. Why take his first year at home?



From left, Tyson Nobert, Thunderbird Bowering, Shelby McGonigal, and Kelly Brown taking a University of Regina class via Skype at the Southeast College campus in Moosomin.

"I live in Rocanville. It's nice and convenient. And it was cheaper. It saves a lot of money. I did the math. It was about \$10,000 by the time you figure in food, living costs, gas or transportation costs, just the standard living stuff, it's expensive," he says.

Nobert says nothing should stop you rom taking first year university courses

this way. "Don't hesitate, do it," he says. "It's a great program, you get your first year, it's great to have education reach out this far east in Saskatchewan. It's just great all the way around. I can't say enough good things, and I really have nothing bad to say about it."

#### About Southeast College and its programs

Southeast College has campuses lo-cated in Moosomin, Estevan, Weyburn, Assiniboia and Indian Head, Saskatchewan. It also has a learning centre located in Whitewood.

in Whitewood. The college serves a region of more than 70 communities spread throughout 20,000 square kilometres. Through part-nerships with post-secondary institu-tions, the college delivers a variety of ca-reer, vocational, and academic programs to most the composite domande of cauth to meet the economic demands of south-

eastern Saskatchewan. The college offers numerous business, safety, and industrial programs and courses required to meet the diverse and challenging workplace skill sets of Sas-katchewan's economy. "In the fall of 2018 we will be run-

in the rai of 2018 we will be run-ning our Continuing Care Assistant full-time program out of Whitewood," says Sheena Onrait, manager of Marketing and Communications with Southeast College. "This a long running program that continues to be very popular in this area."

'We will also be running the Electrician Applied Certificate program out of the Moosomin campus."

Onrait says there are some major bene-"I honestly think the smaller class sizes are key. We have more one-on-one instructor time and there's a strong relationship built with their peers and with their instructors and you just can't get that in larger centres.

"We have enhanced student support. There's a student advisor at each main campus, and those student advisors are actively involved in the students' success and in the support of the student on an

ongoing basis. "Our scholarships are amazing. There are a significant amount of scholarship dollars that are available to all of our students that they can access.'

The Moosomin Campus will host their third annual Moosomin Swing for Scholarships Golf Tournament on Saturday,

June 2 at the Pipestone Hills Golf Club. Onrait says the purpose of this tourna-ment is to raise scholarship dollars that are awarded back to students in the form

of entrance scholarships, merit based scholarships and bursaries. "Across the region, we also host annual tournaments in Estevan and Weyburn. We will be looking to en-gage local businesses and community members for this initiation. Accord members for this initiative. As well, we would encourage any other business or community partner that is in-terested in finding out more about our scholarship program to contact our lo-cal campus," she says. Onrait says there are a number of

ways to connect with Southeast Col-lege in order to find out more about the wide range of courses they offer. "The best way for a student to find

out more information about all of our programs," she says, "is to visit our website at southeastcollege.org, to visit any one of our campus locations, or to call our toll free registration line at 1-866-999-7372."

Onrait says the college has a brand new, interactive website and students can now register and pay for all full-time, part-time and safety courses online

### Post secondary open

house coming up in March Southeast College will be holding a PostSecondary Open House at the Moo-somin Campus the first week of March (exact date is still being determined). Stu-dents will be able to get information and register for First Year University of Regina classes and all of the college's full time programs as well. "This is the first time we have held an

"This is the first time we have held an open house event in Moosomin and we are expecting a lot of interest," says On-rait. "The Moosomin area support has played a huge part in the success of our first year offering U of R classes again."



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Sarah will be graduat-ing with a Bachelor of Arts Business Admin-istration degree with a diploma in accountancy and a minor in Biblical Studies in the spring of 2018.

"Christian students who just go direct to uni-versity miss the opportu-nity to have a community that will support their faith—a family that's go-ing to be there through-out their life," says Don Taylor, dean of the col-lege. "To miss out on this community of Christians who will be a supportive group throughout life is really a tragedy. "[Briercrest] provides students the whole aca-demic preparation they need, but also in a Chris-tian community that's

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Elite Hairstyling and Esthetics Training Center is a training facility in Moose Jaw, Sask. We are excited to open our doors to new upcoming students in the hairstyl-ing and esthetics field. Our training facility has the most up to date equipment, curriculums, information, and is a modern training center ready to start you off in your chosen field. Elite offers a full re-tail bar, full service salon, color bar, class-

tail bar, full service salon, color bar, class-room, pedicure bar, manicure bar and full esthetics training area. Our College provides hands on learn-ing experience. We provide all the linens and supplies needed for your program. The emphasis is on the students par-ticipating in their learning process with clinics that simulate salons and spas to maximize their successful transition to employment in the industry. Our instructors are energized, excited

Our instructors are energized, excited and fully trained in their specialty ar-eas with years of experience in the field, ready to train you with the most current learning tools, technology and informa-tion

learning tools, technology and informa-tion. The Elite hairstyling course is a Paul Mitchell focus, which means you will be learning along with the Paul Mitchell line, including color, products, technol-ogy and history. We are excited to offer this at Elite Training Center. We firmly be-lieve that learning with such an exquisite product line will help you be prepared for your future career. Please visit the Paul Mitchell website to learn more about the line at www.naulmitchell.com.

Paul Mitchell website to learn more about the line at www.paulmitchell.com. The hairstyling program emphasizes strong theory and practical components in many areas including cutting, styling, chemical hair relaxing, colouring and lightening hair and more. In addition, you will also gain knowledge and skills in monitoring medications in manicuring, make-up applications, hair removal, as well as salon operations and the software commonly used in the industry. Retailing skills is an impor-tant part of the hairstyling course, as we know how important it is in your skills once leaving for the chosen work area.

Students demonstrate and practice these techniques in our fully functional salon, developing individualized styling op-tions, prescribing products and perform-ing one and buyiant practices on clients tions, preschang products and periodi-ing safe and hygienic practices on clients. In addition, you will gain future expe-rience and knowledge in the industry through a field work component. In the Elite esthetics course you will re-ceive the essential theory and hands-on eventiones of conforming a surger of con-

experience of performing a range of es-thetics treatments and services, from conventional to progressive, and alternative. The specialized esthetics training you gain will enable you to work as a professional esthetician in a variety of areas in-cluding day spas, destination spas, hotels and resorts, cruise lines and many other options. You will also be able to work in a variety of ways—as esthetician, spa in a variety of ways—as esthetician, spa therapist, make-up artist, nail technician, spa manager, cosmetic retailer, business entrepreneur, wholesale and beauty sales rep, distributor and technical trainer. Our esthetics course offers a range of profes-sional products for you to learn hands on with. We strive to bring in the best suitable professional products for you to learn with and handle, so when you transition into the career field you will be confident in your training in the esthetconfident in your training in the esthet-ics field. Students learn, demonstrate and Preform safe and hygienic practices on live clients. You will be learning all es-thetics components in a fully functional spa training facility. Elite has the highest standard of health and acfut loarning each of the clients

and safety learning space for our clients and students. We feel hands on learning is the best way to learn in our industry, which is why we also offer live clients for you to practice your skills on. We strive you to practice your skills on. We strive above and beyond to create the most professional, knowledgeable graduates leaving Elite Hairstyling and Esthetics Training Center. We consider Elite to be a professional industry learning facility. We look forward to having you train with Elite and starting you off in the most evciting career!

exciting career!



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Skin Care

Technician

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### Guide to 2018 Education



Students of St. John's College

## St. John's College at the University of Manitoba

The residence and student support at St. John's College at the University of Manitoba has been fostering community and academic success for over 150 years. Found-ed in 1866, this smaller, supportive community within the larger campus offers opportunities for students to enhance their education to any Univer-

education to any Univer-sity of Manitoba student who wishes to join. At St. John's College, students form life-long friendships with others from across Canada and around the world. The student association plans monthly activities from laser tag and the corn maze, to fundraising for organizations such as Si-loam Mission.

loam Mission. The study carrels rent-ed out by the student association are a hot com-modity. With 24 hour access, the study carrel rooms offer a quiet space on campus for studying. Students at St. John's Col-lege apply for exclusive use of a desk in one of two classrooms consist-ing of 30 to 45 desks in

each The 100-bed residence The 100-bed residence fosters a close-knit com-munity. About half of the residents are inter-national, while the other half are from other parts of Manitoba as well as Saskatchewan, Alberta, B.C. and Ontario. Meals shared in the Residence dining room, movie and games nights in the comgames nights in the com-mon room, and activities planned by the Residence Council, are interspersed with quiet study hours, providing balance to the academic life. When University of Manitoba students choose to become mem-bers of St. John's Col-lege, whether they live

lege, whether they live in residence or not, they in residence or not, they are eligible to apply for the scholarships and bursaries totaling over \$100,000, that are exclu-sive to St. John's College members. They receive a 10 per cent discount at the College's Daily Bread Café and Pizza Joé's, fea-turing some of the best food on campus and fair food on campus and fair trade coffee, perfect for fueling those late-night

study hours, or long con-versations with that new best friend. The Chaplain is a listening ear for all students, and the Regis-trar is an academic coach. Looking after the phys-ical, intellectual, and correctional used being of emotional well-being of its members, St. John's College is a caring group of approximately 1,000 students, 30 faculty, and 10 staff.

## **Dumont Technical** Institute (DTI)

Dumont Technical Institute (DTI) is the adult education and skills training entity of Gabriel Dumont Institute. Established in 1992, DTI provides qualtablished in 1992, DII provides qual-ity education, training opportunities, and services to Saskatchewan's Métis. Over the past 26 years, DII has been successful in offering adult education and training programs to Métis people across the province. With the philoso-phy "Learners Come First," DII has been instrumental in helping reshape the lives of Métis individuals and comthe lives of Métis individuals and communities. DTI continues to prioritize Adult Basic Education, Health, Indus-

Adult Basic Education, Health, Indus-try/Trades, and Business training. DTI is proud of its partnerships and direct links to employers that help Mé-tis learners obtain solid employment. DTI is proud of the giant strides it has made over the years to help meet the needs of Métis learners through curric-ulum enhancement and Métis-specific programming; working cooperatively with other institutions and agencies to improve Métis participation and to improve Métis participation and success in the education system; and ultimately developing a skilled Métis workforce that will meet local, regional, and national labour market needs.

#### Student Services include:

- -Academic support -Tutoring and guidance -Culturally re-affirming environment -Links to employment

-Adult Education programs -Liaison with sponsoring agencies such as: GDI Training and Employment, Provincial Training Allowance, and Student Financial Assistance



-Career counseling -Essential Skills training

#### 2018-2019 Course Offerings:

Ile-a-la-Crosse Adult Basic Education

### La Loche

Adult Basic Education Trades Related Training

### **Prince Albert**

rrince Albert Adult Basic Education Practical Nursing Year 2 Heavy Equipment Truck & Transport Mechanic

#### Regina

Adult Basic Education Practical Nursing Year 1 and 2 Office Administration

#### Saskatoon

Adult Basic Education Practical Nursing Year 2 Office Administration

Coming Administration Coming Soon Adult Basic Education GED Apprenticeship Security Officer Scaffolding Safety Tickets Class 5 Driver Training

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dents like you are finding that fit at Brandon University. We offer outstanding educational pro-grams, some of the most afford-able tuition rates in Canada and small class sizes that allow you to really connect with everyone else

"You really get to know the professors, the staff and the other students," says BU student Trevor McIntyre. "That familiarity makes you feel comfortable and helps you to get the most out of your courses

Everything we do is done with you as our top priority. You'll join 3,500 fellow students, making BU large enough to offer you degrees from the Faculties of Arts, Educa-tion, Health Studies and Science as well the School of Music, while as were the section of Music, while still having a compact feel. Our professors take you beyond the classroom to share with you some of their cutting-edge research. You'll attend engaging lectures, combined with valuable hands-on comparison.

experience. Many BU alumni go on to prestiious graduate programs, includ-ing our growing list of Master's degrees in Rural Development, Education, Psychiatric Nursing, Music and Science (Environmental and Life Kredica) and Life Studies).



Trevor McIntyre, Brandon University student and Student Ambassador, and Emily Simon, BU student and VP Internal of Brandon University Students' Union.

With so many choices open to you, we'll help you out every step along the way, starting before you even arrive. As a new student, you'll take part in advisory ses-sions, helping you plan which courses will help lead you to your goals. Student mentors and sup-port from faculty and staff are available all through your time here to help you do your best at whatever you choose. "Some people come to us and know exactly what they want to study, but most are still looking for the right fit," says Courtney Adams, our Acting Director of Recruitment and Retention. "By talking to students about their in-terests we can help them decide With so many choices open to

terests we can help them decide between options they're already considering or even suggest some ideas they haven't thought of yet."

Brandon is a safe, friendly city of 50,000 people, and BU offers big-school amenities at our conve-nient, walkable campus. Our students enjoy the comforts of home in our residence and dining facilities, on-campus bookstore, hair salon, licensed coffee shop, stateof-the art fitness and recreation centre and the Indigenous Peoples' Centre.

Like our students, BU is looking Like our students, BU is looking forward to a bright future, build-ing on the strengths of our tradi-tions, while embracing the chal-lenges of a changing world. "It's an exciting time to be at BU," says Adams. "You can see it in our faculty and in our students as well. There's a willingness to be

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## Guide to 2018 Education Parkland College—get started on your career

A quality education is vital to your future. It's also a significant investment which sometimes requires life-chang nificant investment which sometimes requires life-chang-ing decisions. But at Parkland College, you can get the education you need without moving far away from home. Parkland College provides high quality, learner centred education and training as a foundation for lifelong suc-cess. You can complete a university degree or a skills train-ing certificate or diploma, and get started on your career. Parkland College partners with the University of Sas-

katchewan to deliver the Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the College in Yorkton. Students complete the full four-year degree locally and graduate as Registered Nurses. Parkland also works with First Nations University of Canada to offer the Bachelor of Indigenous Education in Yor-kton and Fort Qu'Appelle. This teaching degree provides graduates with enhanced understanding of Indigenous culture. And the College's long-time partnership with the University of Regina continues with the Bachelor of Social Work degree in Yorkton. But even if you're inter-

ested in another field, you ested in another held, you can take the first year of virtually any degree avail-able in Saskatchewan at Parkland College. Stay-ing close to home for that

first year can help ease the transition from high school

transition from high school classes to university work-loads, while cutting down on living expenses and saving you money. Parkland College also offers a variety of Sas-katchewan Polytechnic certificates for careers that pand scholad graduates

need skilled graduates. The Business and Office

Administration programs are ideal for anyone want-ing to work in the modern office environment. Health care options are avail-able through the Practi-

able through the Fracti-cal Nursing diploma and Continuing Care Assis-tant certificate. If you like working with your hands, the Trades and Technol-ogy Centre (TTC) in Yor-tan can be your answer

kton can be your answer. You can take one of several full-time Sask Polytech programs at the TTC: Agri-



Parkland College students in class.

## **Offering students the** best of both worlds

St. Thomas More College (STM) pro-vides students with an intimate scholarly vides students with an intimate scholarly setting within the larger U of S campus. A combination of smaller class sizes, award-winning faculty, social activities, additional scholarship and bursary op-portunities and an in-house chef for food offerings—students enjoy an environ-ment that is the best of both worlds. STM is academically integrated with the University of Saskatchewan, and in partnership with the College of Arts and Science, providing students with over 230 additional credit classes in the humanities and social

the humanities and social sciences that they can se-lect from—many unique to the campus. Any U of S student may take STM courses as part of their U of S degrees of S degrees. Over 27,000 square feet

in additions and renewal to the College have been to the College have been completed in the past three years providing additional classroom space incorpo-rating the latest technol-ogy, dedicated student study and lounge space, faculty research

study and lounge space, racuity research space and a large natural light atrium for studying and gathering with friends. STM is also recognized for its Commu-nity Service-learning and international travel opportunities, successful drama and glee club, youth groups, a student governing body within the College and access to student advising and College ministry support

ministry support. For more information please contact one of our STM student advisors at 306-966-8900



Students in a small class setting



## AVAILABLE FOR ALL U OF S STUDENTS!

Planning to attend the University of Saskatchewan? St. Thomas More College(STM) offers you an engaging learning environment - small class sizes - with award-winning faculty, within the U of S campus.

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cultural Equipment Technician, Heavy Equipment/Truck and Transport Technician, Power Engineering, Welding, and Electrical.

and Electrical. And in Melville, students train for exciting careers as professional firefighters and paramedics. The College's sprawling Emergency Services Training Site just east of Melville provides ample room for hands-on exercises and real life learning. Regardless of the program you choose, a major advan-tage of going to Parkland College is the small average class size. You can have more one-on-one time with your instructors and closer relationships with your perse-ad-

class size. You can have more one-on-one time with your instructors and closer relationships with your peers—ad-vantages which can help you excel in your studies and get a leg up on your competition in the job market. Parkland College also has close connections with industry in the re-gion and across the province. Many of these partnerships are with companies who are looking to hire qualified, skilled graduates. They lead to great opportunities for stu-dents in terms of work placements, internships, and jobs. And to help your dhore the way the College's ochalor

And to help you along the way, the College's scholar-ship program awards over \$100,000 each academic year. Students taking a full-time post-secondary program at Parkland College in the fall of 2018 may apply for En-trance Scholarships from March to May. More information will be made available at scholarships.parklandcollege. sk.ca. Visit parklandcollege.sk.ca, call toll-free 1-866-783-6766, or follow @CollegeofChoice on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram



A student welding at Parkland College.



### Featured Programs for Fall 2018

Program	Dates	Length	Location		Credential
Agricultural Equipment Technician	Aug - May	36 weeks	Yorkton	\$7,000	Certificate
Bachelor of Indigenous Education	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton, Ft. Qu'Appelle	varies	Degree
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton	varies	Degree
Bachelor of Social Work	Sept - April	4 years	Yorkton	varies	Degree
Business Certificate	Aug - April	32 weeks	Yorkton, Ft. Qu'Appelle	\$3,900	Certificate
Continuing Care Assistant	Sept - May	32 weeks	Yorkton	\$5,025	Certificate
Electrician	April - Aug	17 weeks	Yorkton	\$3,000	Certificate
Firefighter	Aug - Oct	14 weeks	Melville	\$10,000	Certificate
Heavy Equipment, Truck & Transport Technician	Aug - May	36 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,450	Certificate
Office Administration	Aug - April	32 weeks	Yorkton, Ft. Qu'Appelle	\$4,200	Certificate
Power Engineering - Third Class	Aug - Jan	20 weeks	Yorkton	\$3,200	Certificate
Power Engineering - Fourth Class	Sept - May	32 weeks	Yorkton	\$5,925	Certificate
Practical Nursing	Feb 2019	2 years	Yorkton	\$12,000	Diploma
Primary Care Paramedic	Sept - June	41 weeks	Melville	\$6,015	Certificate
Welding	Sept - May	35 weeks	Yorkton	\$6,500	Certificate
University - first year	varies	varies	Yorkton	varies	Credits



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## Many benefits to post-secondary education

The decision to pursue post-secondary education is not one that is made lightly. Many factors must be considered—your interests and skills, the length of the program, the institution you'd like to attend—but one thing is certain: higher education invariably leads to better career prospects and a better quality of life overall.

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Completing post-secondary education is an experience—it takes commitment and dedication, but it will broaden your hotakes commitment and dedication, but it will broaden your ho-rizons even beyond what you learn in the classroom. Essential life skills such as time management, interpersonal skills, and critical thinking are all learned and used in post-secondary education. They are also used extensively in every workplace. In fact, Human Resources and Skills Development Canada has identified nine skills that are used in every job, and at every lev-el of complexity. These skills, which include writing, reading, working with others and continuous learning, only improve with biober education with higher education. Although it might not be the first thing that comes to mind,

Although it might not be the first thing that comes to mind, attending a post-secondary institution also has numerous per-sonal and social benefits. It provides a great opportunity to meet a wide variety of people, and build a network of friends and contacts. People who have completed post-secondary educa-tion are also more likely to engage with, and contribute to their community through activities such as volunteering and voting. Furthermore, there is a clear relationship between educational level and tolerance for diversity—both of people and opinions

Furthermore, there is a clear relationship between educational level and tolerance for diversity—both of people and opinions. Higher education is not only important for career development; it clearly plays a role in personal development as well. What other benefits does higher education offer? Numerous studies have confirmed that individuals with post-secondary education enjoy better job prospects. According to Statistics Canada, in 2010 individuals 15 years of age and over who had completed post-secondary education had an employment rate of 72.6%. Meanwhile, those with only high school had an em-ployment rate of 61.4%, and those without even a high school diploma came in at only 33.6%. Even better, 88% of post-sec-ondary eraduates had full-time employment. ondary graduates had full-time employment. Higher education is also associated with greater job stabil-

ity. This is reflected in unemployment rates: in 2010, unem-ployment rates for those without a high school diploma were 15.9%, nearly double the average of 8%. Unemployment rates for individuals with a high school diploma were slightly higher than the average at 9%, while individuals who had completed post-secondary education had the lowest unemployment rates at 6%.

One of the most tangible benefits of higher education is, of

### **Great Plains College** committed to leadership

Great Plains College is committed to being a leader in post-secondary and labour market development in Sas-

katchewan. Over the past number of years, the college strives to become a responsive, innovative and results-oriented in-stitution committed to meeting the needs of learners, em-ployers and communities in Saskatchewan.

ployers and communities in Saskatchewan. Great Plains College offers post-secondary certificate, diploma, degree and graduate degree programs, as well as university, safety training, Adult Basic Education and English language training at its six locations across west-ern Saskatchewan (Biggar, Kindersley, Maple Creek, Ro-setown, Swift Current, Warman). Programs include: • Administrative Assistant • Boom Tuck, Crawa & Hoist Operator

- Boom Truck, Crane & Hoist Operator

- Boom Irick, Crane & Hoist Operator (Pre-Employment)
   Business Certificate & Diploma
   Carpentry and Production Line Welding
   Continuing Care Assistant
   Early Childhood Education

- Electrician
   English Language Training
   Grade 12 & Upgrading
   Heavy Equipment Operator
   Master of Business Administration in
- Community Economic Development
   Practical Nursing

- Pre-12 & GED®
  Safety Training
  Social Work
- Youth Care Worker
  Welding
  University

Great Plains College is also proud to offer one of the most competitive scholarship programs among regional colleges

colleges. For the 2018-19 academic year, you are automatically considered for an Entrance Scholarship of \$500-\$5,000 when you apply to a full-time student-loan-eligible pro-gram before the scholarship deadline (April 30 for Sep-tember entry, or October 31 for late fall or winter entry). Grade 11 students applying to a full-time student-loan-el-igible program are also considered for an additional Early Entrance Award of \$1,000. More information about Great Plains College programs

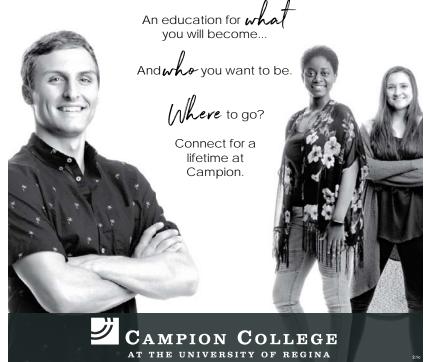
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course, increased earning potential. According to Statistics Canada those who complete their education with a high school diploma earn 17% more, on average, than those without a high wheth there were the set of the set o school diploma. Completing post secondary education offers even greater earning potential: on average, individuals who have completed post-secondary education earn 28% more than a high school graduate.

see higher growth in earnings over the course of their lifetime. Earnings tend to increase with time, peaking around the ages

of 50 to 54. In 2000, growth in average earnings between the ages of 25 and 54 was 49% for individuals with a high school diploma, and 75% for individuals who had completed post-

control and the secondary education. Looking at the many advantages that accrue with post-sec-ondary education, a clear pattern emerges. Individuals who pursue higher education will experience greater financial and employment security, and more opportunities to connect with, and contribute to their community, culminating in greater satisfaction with life



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