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INTRODUCTION

The Faculty of Social Work boasts an exceptional team of more than 35 knowledgeable and approachable faculty, staff and sessional lecturers, all dedicated to the educational and professional success of our students. The Faculty of Social Work is situated on Treaty 4 lands with a presence in Treaty 6. These are the territories of the nêhiyawak, Anihšināpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

This guide intended to support Saskatoon and Distance Social Work students with common questions and concerns. There are clickable links within this document, which will take you directly to the appropriate website location.

FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK POLICIES & PROCEDURES

STATEMENT ON STUDENT PERFORMANCE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Social Work is a specialized profession and the Bachelor of Social Work is a professional degree. Therefore, all Social Work students – Pre-Social Work and Bachelor of Social Work - are expected to demonstrate a professional attitude, behaviours and interactions, both inside and outside the classroom. This expectation adheres to the Canadian Association of Social Work’s (CASW) Code of Ethics and Canadian Association of Social Work Educator’s practice standards and is reflected in the Faculty of Social Work’s policy and procedures regarding Student Professional Suitability.

Failure to conduct oneself in a professional manner may result in discontinuation from the Social Work program. Click here for access to the full policy, as well as our Ethical Use of Social Media Policy.

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

Please refer to the Faculty of Social Work’s Academic Policies. Faculty of Social Work students must maintain a 70% GPA on their social work courses to remain in the program.

The Faculty follows all other U of R Academic Regulations of the U of R.
GETTING STARTED

Students will need to regularly access specific programs to register for classes, take courses, and communicate with instructors as well as other student matters during their time at the U of R. Please ensure you become familiar with how to use these programs.

**UR SELF-SERVICE**

**UR Self-Service** Login is a secure, web-based program, which enables students to:
- Obtain and/or change confidential information;
- Register in or drop courses; and,
- Address other student matters

The User ID is your U of R student number, which is 9 digits with no spaces. Your PIN is 6 digits. First-time users will have the pin set as birth date in daymonthyear (e.g. 020694). Students are reminded to regularly change their pin.

If you encounter problems, with logging into UR Self-Service, please contact the U of R Information Services Help Desk at: 306-585-4685 or 1-844-585-4685.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

You can update your personal contact information. This includes changes to your name, mailing address, and telephone number. Changes to email addresses must be submitted to the Registrar’s Office.

**CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT**

This can be obtained through UR Self-Service. Go to the Student Services menu. Click on Registration, and then Confirmation of Enrolment.

**TUITION**

Tuition fees are due on the first day of lectures. Use UR Self-Service to obtain amounts owing and pay your tuition using one of the payment options.

Cost of tuition can be found [here](#) and approximate costs of attending undergraduate studies can be found [here](#)

Refund information can be found in UR Self-Service in “My Refund Schedule.”

Please note: The Saskatoon Campus general office does not accept tuition payments.

**STUDENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION**

U of R Student Photo ID Cards supplement the Confirmation of Enrolment for exam writing purposes. This card also allows students to access many services, including student discounts throughout Saskatoon.

* Photo ID process will be changing for Fall 2020. Please check the [Registrar: Photo ID](#) for updates.

**TEXTBOOKS**

Saskatoon Campus textbooks are ordered either from:

1) U of R Bookstore; or
2) Turning the Tide Bookstore

To obtain a textbook list, 2 weeks prior to semester start, log in to UR Self-Service. All textbooks will be listed; however, some textbooks may have been ordered from Turning the Tide Bookstore. Textbooks ordered through Turning the Tide will have an “alternate location” component in the textbook link. If you login to UR Self-Service and purchase your textbook from the U of R Bookstore, the textbook(s) will be couriered to you.
REGISTRATION

Students are responsible for registering themselves in classes independently. Please use the following links to familiarize yourself with registration: Registration Tips and/or Registration Video.

Advising may be used to discuss students’ course sequencing and planning; however, advisors do not select or register classes on behalf of students. You may find information about course sequencing for the BSW here.

Registration periods for U of R classes are:
- Spring/Summer and Fall courses – begins in early March
- Winter courses – begins in early October

Your registration time is considered your time ticket and is based on the total credit hours completed. You can find your time ticket in UR Self-Service.

Note: Distance students (non-Regina and Saskatoon students) are eligible for an early time-ticket and can contact distance.registration@uregina.ca to request it.

Course offerings and registration eligibility will be available for viewing approximately 2 weeks prior to these registration periods. Students are encouraged to register as soon as possible to secure a spot.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Students have a few course options and can take classes face to face, web delivered or through live stream (via Regional Colleges) methods. Please note that certain sections of web delivered classes are reserved for Distance students. The Faculty of Social Work website lists course offerings, the home page and you may click on the below links to view:
- Face to Face Options
- Web Delivered and Live Stream

Below are additional tools to support students with registering and selecting classes:
- Visual Schedule Builder
  This program allows you to search and select classes to visually pre-plan a course schedule. Please note: the program does not register students in classes. Students still need to add classes through UR Self-Service.
  - Visual Schedule Builder Tips
  - Visual Schedule Builder Video
- Degree Audit
  This program tracks which classes have been completed, which classes are remaining and how much of them has been completed.

WAITLISTS

If a class is full, students are advised to add their name to the waitlist. All Saskatoon Campus courses, except Practicum I and II, are scheduled with waitlists. Click here for step-by-step waitlist instructions. If a student is notified by email that a seat is available, the student will have 24 hrs to register into the class. If the student has not registered in that time, the spot will go to the next student on the waitlist.

If the waitlist has been dropped, the student will have to request overloading a class.

Please note: Waitlists do not confirm a seat in the class nor can advisors or faculty confirm a seat will open for a student.

OVERLOADING A CLASS

If the waitlist has been dropped and you did not get a spot, a request to overload a class on the first day of the semester can be made. Please be aware that it is first come first serve basis and requesting an overload/late registration does not guarantee a spot. Additionally, instructors will not grant permission verbally or prior to the first day of lectures.

To overload a class, a student must:
1) Complete a Registration Permit/Overload form
   a) Complete the form, including all specific details about the course (top portion) and read, sign and date (bottom portion) the form;
   b) Take the completed form to the instructor on the first day of lectures for approval; and
c) Return the instructor signed form to the Saskatoon Student Services Office, Suite 111, Concourse, immediately. This can also be sent directly to an advisor.

2) Provide written confirmation by the instructor that they have permitted you into their class. An instructor can do this by email and send to an advisor or to Sw.StudentServices@uregina.ca.

COURSES AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Many of Saskatoon and Distance Social Work students have taken or are taking courses through other institutions, such as University of Saskatchewan. We have many students who are dual students at the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina. There are other students who may plan to take a course through another institution because it is not offered at U of R in a given semester.

Upon completing of a class, students must send transcripts with final marks to the University of Regina to receive transfer credit (see below for transfer credit). Students can check for U of R equivalents using the Transfer Credit Database.

LETTER OF PERMISSION

Students may request a Letter of Permission to have the class verified for transfer equivalency and be listed in progress on their academic record in advance. This should be submitted prior to the start of the semester. However, students who are submitting a Letter of Permission must be in good academic standing and the class requested should not be available at the U of R in that semester. This is not required for University of Saskatchewan classes but can be used as an option.

COMMON VISITING STUDENT

Distance students at Regional Colleges may submit a Common Visiting Student Form. This form also allows students to have the class verified for transfer equivalency and be listed in progress on their academic record in advance. This should be submitted prior to the start of the semester. Regional College Advisors can help with this process. Completed forms should be submitted to Student Services at Sw.StudentServices@uregina.ca.

TRANSFER CREDIT

Upon completion of course work, students must submit their transcripts with final marks to Enrolment Services at the University of Regina to potentially receive transfer credit. Official transcripts of marks must be sent directly from that learning institution to:

Enrolment Services (AH 108)
University of Regina
3737 Wascana Parkway
Regina SK S4S 0A2

Any other inquiries regarding transcripts can be sent to enrolment.services@uregina.ca or 306-585-4591.

FINAL EXAMS AND FINAL PAPERS

Final exams are not returned to students. However, students may view their final exams, once the grades show up in UR Self-Service, for a period not exceeding six months. Final papers/projects will be retained at the Social Work Student Services Office for a period not exceeding two months.
STUDENT SUPPORT

ACADEMIC ADVISING
Students are responsible for ensuring they register in courses which meet the requirements of their program. Please review the U of R Undergraduate Calendar.

Saskatoon Campus has Academic Program Advisors who are available to advise Pre- Social Work and BSW students north of Davidson. To reserve an appointment with an advisor, go to Academic Advising on the Faculty of Social Work webpage.

LIBRARY
JOHN ARCHER LIBRARY
Students have access to all U of R library services, including online resources. The Faculty of Social Work Librarian is Charles Phelps. You can reach him by email at Charles.Phelps@uregina.ca or by phone at 306-337-2581.

UREAD
Distance students also have access to UREAD (U of R Education at a Distance) where library resources, including borrowing books, which can be requested and couriered directly to the student. For the Request Materials Form, click here.

FIRST NATIONS UNIVERSITY SASKATOON
Saskatoon Students have access to the FNU library in Saskatoon. They can be reached at 306-931-1800 ext. 5425 at the following hours:
   - September to December, January to April: Mon – Fri; 8:30am to 4:30pm
   - May to August: Mon – Fri; 8:30am to 4:30pm
   - Library closes daily from 12:00pm to 1:00pm

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN
Students also have limited access to U of S library services. To access the U of S library, students are required to bring a U of R Confirmation of Enrolment, photo identification and where mandatory attendance at library orientation is required.

STUDENT AWARDS AND FINANCIAL AID
U OF R SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS
The U of R offers a number of scholarships and awards to Social Work students. Click here to access online tutorials on completing scholarship and award applications. Any additional emails can be sent to scholarships@uregina.ca

STUDENT LOANS
Common questions concerning student loans can be found here. Any other student loans questions can be directed to: student.loans@uregina.ca or 1-800-644-4756 (toll free).

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTRE
The U of R Student Success Centre provides numerous services to all U of R students including:
1) Online Workshops including four Writing Workshops on YouTube. Topics include: effective note taking, time management, and study skills.
2) Online Writing Tutoring
3) Learning Skills Consultation
4) Tutor Registry

CENTRE FOR STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY
Students who require academic accommodations in order to complete their course work with minimal difficulty must register with the Centre for Student Accessibility Office EACH SEMESTER. Please review the U of R Accommodation Policy here.

They can be contacted at accessibility@uregina.ca or 306-585-4631.

COUNSELLING
Hours are from Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and the contact form must be filled prior to receiving services.

The U of R also offers The Online Therapy Unit, which offers free online therapy programs that support adults who may be experiencing depression, anxiety, and or chronic pain.
COMMON QUESTIONS

Do I get a bus pass?**
City of Saskatoon Transit Semester Bus Passes: U of R students are eligible to purchase a City of Saskatoon student bus pass.
NB: Route #13 makes regular trips to Innovation Place.
Access Transit: Provides services, upon individual request.

Do I have medical and dental coverage?
Saskatoon Campus students are provided medical and dental coverage through URSU Student Care and are automatically enrolled in the coverage.
Students who do not wish to receive this service must opt out prior to the applicable deadline dates Go to OPT OUT

As a U of R student in Saskatoon, will there be recreational facilities for me to use?**
Your U of R Confirmation of Enrolment and photo identification will allow you to purchase a reduced, monthly membership at the Physical Activity Centre, U of S.

Is there somewhere to print assignments?
Student printer is located in Student Lounge, Suite 119, Concourse. Printing fees will be charged to your U of R account and can be paid, along with tuition, through U of R Self-Service.
Printing is not permitted at the front desk.

Will the General Office give me contact information for one of my instructors?
The Social Work Student Services Office (Suite 111, Concourse) does not distribute contact information for instructors or students. Instructors may be contacted via information provided to students in course syllabi only. Student contact information can only be provided with consent from the individual student.

STAY CONNECTED

SASKATOON SOCIAL WORK STUDENT SOCIETY (SWSS)
Saskatoon Campus SWSS meets regularly to arrange upcoming events, community activism, job postings and other relevant information for students. More information is available at:
http://www.uregina.ca/socialwork/involved/student-soc/index.html

You can also find the student society on:
Facebook: University of Regina - Saskatoon Social Work Student Society (SWSS)
Instagram: swss.saskatoon
Email: swss.saskatoon@gmail.com

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