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General Information

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Undergraduate Programs

The Faculty of Nursing, in partnership with the Saskatchewan Polytechnic offers two collaborative programs: the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) and the After Degree Nursing program (ADNP). The SCBScN program also has a bilingual option available (pending funding). Fifty percent (50%) of the courses in the SCBScN bilingual option will be taught in French. Each program leads to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (BScN). Both programs have been approved by the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association (SRNA); the SCBScN program has been accredited by the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN). For more information, please visit: www.sasknursingdegree.ca .

The programs are competitive entry with a limited number of seats. Students are expected to complete their program on a full time basis and move through their program as part of a cohort. Any student who wishes to take a reduced course load must receive prior permission from the University of Regina, Faculty of Nursing Associate Dean (Undergraduate).

Students are advised that failure to carry a full course load can impede progress in the program, and potentially prohibit them from completing the program in the maximum seven year allowable time frame. Students who are within their admission cohort are given priority for clinical placements (as such placements are limited in number).

Requirements on Acceptance into the Nursing Program

Students admitted to the SCBScN (regular or Bilingual) or ADNP program must obtain a Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check (dated within six (6) months prior to the beginning date of the program), provide a record of immunization, and complete Standard A First Aid, Basic Life Support (BLS)-CPR (dated the year of acceptance into the program), and Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) courses by August 1 prior to the beginning of their first term. Students will be required to complete FIT testing (to determine appropriate size of specific filtered facemasks). Students who fail to complete their FIT testing, or are unable to comply with this requirement by August 1 (for ADNP) or Nov 1 (for SCBScN), may be at risk of not being able to complete required components of the nursing program. Students must complete a Transferring Lifting Repositioning (TLR®) course by August 1 (for ADNP) or Nov 1 (for SCBScN). Submission of a second Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check is required prior to beginning courses in the final two semesters of the program. Completion of a BLS-CPR renewal course is required every two years during the student's program of studies, regardless of the date(s) on the certificate of completion. Completion of a TLR® renewal course is required every three years during the student's program of studies; FIT testing is required every two years. Students who do not provide a current (as defined above) Criminal Record Check, Vulnerable Sector Check or evidence of successful completion of First Aid, BLS-CPR, TLR®, FIT testing and WHMIS courses **will be excluded from clinical practice education**. Specific immunizations may be required for certain clinical placements. Students who refuse or are unable to comply with this requirement may be at risk of not being able to complete required components of the program.

Students must report any outstanding charges and/or criminal convictions that occur after the date of the original Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check to the Associate Dean U of R or the Academic Chair Saskatchewan Polytechnic. **Failure to report outstanding charges and/or criminal convictions that have occurred since the date of the original Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the program.**

Other documentation may be required to be completed once students are admitted to the program. Failure to complete and submit this documentation as identified will impact student progress in the program.

Clinical Practice Education

Clinical practice education placements and practicums will be assigned according to students' educational needs and the

availability of experiences, which may be outside major urban centers. Travel will be required (housing may also be required for some placements) and is the responsibility of the student to arrange.

In order to facilitate learning experiences, lab / clinical practice experiences will be scheduled at a variety of times and days of the week. Twelve-hour shifts will be included in some rotations, as will evenings and weekends.

Clinical practice and lab experiences are an integral part of the nursing programs. Saskatchewan Polytechnic and the University of Regina have contracts with all agencies in which students will have experience. All of students' clinical practice experiences (including those that are preceptored), regardless of where they are, will be arranged by the program.

Clinical Practice Education Attendance

Students are required to attend all orientations to clinical practice education courses, including any associated orientation lab experiences**. Students who fail to attend these orientations for any reason will not be allowed to continue with the clinical experience.** Clinical practice experience is an integral part of the program. Students are required to participate in all clinical practice experiences in order to consistently meet the learning objectives and competencies required.

Dress Code

Students are expected to adhere to the clinical agency policy, and occupational health and safety standards regarding professional appearance and conduct. An approved program uniform will be required for some clinical experiences. For other experiences students will be required to dress in business casual attire

Reassessment of a Grade for Clinical Practice Education Courses

Clinical practice education is an integral part of the Nursing programs. Reassessment of clinical grades is based on a fair and open process, which will include all term work and assessment/evaluation. Students wishing a reassessment of a clinical practice education grade must request the reassessment as per the deadlines, fees and process outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and Right to Appeal section in this Calendar. For more information see the Nursing Programs Student Handbook.

Program Attendance Policy

Students are expected to notify the faculty in advance of an unavoidable absence from lab or practicum. Substantiating documentation may be required for absences. Students are expected to be prepared for, and to maintain, a high level of punctual attendance at all lectures, labs, seminars, and practicums. Absence from these may jeopardize a student's progress in the program and can result in failure in the course. If, because of the absence, the student is deemed to be unsafe or unprepared for a learning experience, the student can be excluded from the experience. Students who miss more than 10% of lectures, seminars, labs or practicums may be unable to meet the course objectives and may be unsuccessful in the course. There is no mechanism to make up clinical practice time.

Required Resources

Students are responsible for acquiring the following resources at their own expense:

- Electronic Mobile Device (EMD) (Purchase at a vendor of your choice)
- Current edition of the American Psychological Association
- Two standardized uniforms as approved by the nursing program
- Protective eyewear
- Stethoscope with bell and diaphragm head
- Watch with a second hand or a digital readout in seconds. **An EMD is not a substitute for this requirement**.

See the program website at http://www.sasknursingdegree.ca/scbscn/tuition-fees/ for further information on these requirements.

The U of R email address is the official mode of communication for the nursing program. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that this is regularly monitored and maintained.

Admission, Re-admission, and Transfer

Please refer to the Admissions section in this Calendar for University policies on Admission, Re-admission, and Transfer. Admission will occur during the fall term; however the Dean may permit admissions during other terms to manage enrolments.

Re-admission

Students applying for re-admission to the Faculty of Nursing must meet the current admission requirements in place at the time of the application for re-admission. Students who are re-admitted to the Faculty must enter the program that is current at the time of their re-admission. Students who are re-admitted to the Faculty may have conditions applied to their re-admission; students who fail to meet these re-admission conditions are required to discontinue from the faculty indefinitely. For more information please refer to Minimum Length of a Faculty or Program RTD under the Academic Regulations section in this Calendar.

Restrictions on Transfer

Applicants wishing to transfer to the Faculty of Nursing SCBScN program from another faculty, or wishing admission from another post-secondary institution must apply to the program and meet admission requirements as per Re-admission, Faculty/College Transfer and Second Programs under the Admission section of this Calendar. Transfer applicants who are registered in post-secondary courses at the time of admission, may be granted conditional acceptance; however, final admission will be contingent on meeting the final admission requirements. Transfer applicants who are on Faculty level or University level probation will not be considered for admission.

Transfer from Other Faculties or Admission from Other Post-Secondary Institutions to the Faculty of Nursing (SCBScN Program)

For application deadlines for students who wish to transfer to the Faculty of Nursing refer to the Admissions section in this Calendar. An Application for Admission must be submitted to Saskatchewan Polytechnic Registration Services or the University of Regina Admissions Office by the deadline date. For students who have attempted any post-secondary courses please refer to the Admissions section in this Calendar.

Admission from another Nursing Program

Students who are in another nursing program at another Canadian university, or who have completed nine credit hours (or equivalent) of nursing classes in any other nursing program and wish to apply to the SCBScN program must do so by March 1 for the fall term and September 1 for the winter term. A completed application form, course descriptions for all courses taken in the nursing program, and the program reference form must be submitted to the University of Regina Undergraduate Enrolment Service Office. Refer to the SCBScN program website at http://www.sasknursingdegree.ca/scbscn/apply-now/ for further information.

Transfer between Sites of SCBScN Program

Students should expect to complete the program at the site to which they were admitted. Transfers may be available in exceptional circumstances. Requests for transfer are to be made by April 30 of the academic year preceding the year of transfer requested. Transfers can only be considered if there is available classroom, lab and clinical space at the site requested. Mid-year transfers are not allowed. Any student requesting a transfer between sites should contact the Faculty of Nursing in writing outlining the exceptional circumstances.

Residency and Transfer Credit

Residence Requirement

Students must complete at least 50% of their program at the University of Regina.

Transfer Credit

Courses taken at accredited universities and colleges in North America are normally evaluated by the Faculty only after the student has accepted admission to the program. Students may be required to provide a detailed course syllabus for each course for which they are seeking transfer credit. Grades are not transferred. For more information about evaluation of credit for courses completed outside Canada and the United States, please refer to the Admissions section of this Calendar. The Faculty requires a minimum grade of 60% (or University of Regina equivalent) in each course for which transfer credit is sought. The Faculty will not award transfer credit for nursing courses that are seven or more years old. Transfer credit will not be awarded for any course taken at institutions not listed on the application form. The Faculty's decision about transfer credit is final.

Transfer Credit for Saskatchewan Polytechnic (Formerly SIAST) PN Graduates (2008 +) for the SCBScN Program (Must be currently licensed with appropriate regulatory body)

Saskatchewan Polytechnic PN Graduates (2008 +) for the SCBScN Program	
Course Taken	**U of R Course Equivalent**
Saskatchewan Polytechnic(formerly SIAST) Practical Nursing Diploma (2008+)	CNUR 100 CNUR 101 CNUR 102 CNUR 103 CNUR 106 CNUR 107 CNUR 202 CNUR 205
Other courses approved for the SCBScN Program*	**U of R Course Equivalent**
APHY 162 and 262	BIOL 110
SOCI 160	SOC 100**
SOCI 260 and 261	INHS 100
STAT 120	STAT 100
*for a complete listing of approved transfer credit from Saskatchewan Polytechnic (formerly SIAST), visit: www.uregina.ca/futurestudents/ **open elective towards the SCBScN program	

Transfer Credit for NORQUEST PN Diploma Program Graduates (2003 +) for the SCBScN Program (Must be currently licensed with appropriate regulatory body)

Norquest PN Graduates (2003+) for the SCBScN Program	
Course Taken	**U of R Course Equivalent**
NORQUEST Practical Nursing Diploma (2003+)	CNUR 100 CNUR 101 CNUR 102 CNUR 103 CNUR 107 CNUR 202 CNUR 205
Other Courses approved for the SCBScN Program*	U of R Course Equivalent
ANPH 1001 and ANPH 1002	BIOL 110
SOCI 1000	SOC 100**
* for a complete listing of approved transfer credit from Saskatchewan Polytechnic (formerly SIAST), visit www.uregina.ca/futurestudents/ ** open elective towards the SCBScN program	

Transfer Credit for Saskatchewan Polytechnic (Formerly SIAST) RPN Graduates (2010 +) for the SCBScN Program (Must be currently licensed with appropriate regulatory body)

Saskatchewan Polytechnic RPN Graduates (2010 +) for the SCBScN Program	
Course Taken	**U of R Course Equivalent**
Saskatchewan Polytechnic (formerly SIAST) Psychiatric Nursing Diploma (2010 +)	CNUR 100 CNUR 101 CNUR 102 CNUR 103 CNUR 106 CNUR 107 CNUR 201 CNUR 202 CNUR 300 CNUR 304
Other courses approved for the SCBScN Program*	**U of R Course Equivalent**
APHY 162 and 262	BIOL 110
*for a complete listing of approved transfer credit from Saskatchewan Polytechnic (formerly SIAST), visit: www.uregina.ca/futurestudents/	

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Academic Advising and Registration

Academic Advising

Students admitted to the Faculty of Nursing are required to attend an academic advising session prior to registration. Students may also access information about the academic programs at www.sasknursingdegree.ca.

Registration

The Faculty of Nursing will register students in required courses unless otherwise noted. Registration for open elective courses will commence on the days stipulated by the Registrar's Office. Students should consult *UR Self-Service* for further information.

Students who do not have their risk management documents (as required) submitted by the following dates will not be registered in a clinical course for the upcoming term:

- April 1 for spring/summer term
- August 1 for fall term
- December 1 for winter term

Evaluation of Academic Performance

Dean's Honours List

To be included on the Dean's Honours List for a given semester, students must achieve a Term Grade Point Average (TGPA) of at least 85.00% on a minimum of 15 credit hours, of which at least 12 credit hours are numerically graded. Inclusion on the Dean's Honours List will be noted on students' official transcripts.

Probation and Discontinuance

University Regulations

Refer to the Academic Regulations section in this Calendar for all regulations governing Academic Performance.

Faculty Academic Performance Regulations

Students in a nursing program must maintain an overall program grade point average (PGPA) of at least 65% in required program courses. Students who do not meet these minimum program requirements will be placed on faculty academic probation.

If placed on faculty academic probation, students are given 15 credit hours to raise their overall PGPA in required courses to 65.00%. Students in this situation must realize their progression in the program may be affected because of course sequencing. Completion of the program may be delayed. The Academic Program Coordinator (U of R) may impose mandatory conditions on students on university or faculty academic probation.

Students who fail to raise their PGPA to 65.00% in required courses, will be required to discontinue (RTD) from the Faculty of Nursing for a minimum of three semesters and must petition for re-admission**. Re-admission is not guaranteed**. Faculty probation and RTD letters are sent by email to the student's uregina.ca email in May, September, and January. When RTDs are assessed, they are effective immediately.

The passing grade for all CNUR courses is 60.00%. The passing grade for all other courses used in a nursing program is 50.00%. Students who are not successful in meeting the minimum grade in a second attempt of a course that is a requirement in the program will be required to discontinue from the Faculty of Nursing for a minimum of three semesters. An exception to this regulation is ENGL 100, which may be repeated twice (see the Academic Regulations section for more information). A withdrawal from any clinical course that occurs after the end of the no-record drop period is considered an attempt.

Students must demonstrate satisfactory clinical and laboratory performance in courses where clinical and/or laboratory experience is required. Failure to demonstrate adequate clinical or laboratory performance constitutes a failure in the course, regardless of numerical grades achieved on other assessment tools used in that course. In such a case, all aspects of the course must be repeated.

A student may be removed from clinical practice or laboratory, and/or barred from writing the final examination for persistent non-attendance/lateness or unsafe clinical practice. If such action is initiated by the program, the student will not be able to voluntarily

withdraw from the course where the removal occurred. Students who have been so disbarred will receive a failing grade in the course and will be required to repeat the course. Students who fail a clinical course for these reasons may have conditions that must be met prior to being registered in another clinical course.

For further information regarding grading and types of GPA calculation, refer to the Academic Regulations section of this Calendar.

A student will be required to discontinue from the Faculty of Nursing for failure to meet a program requirement or for a failure in a second attempt of a mandatory course for the program. A student who is readmitted after having previously been required to discontinue (RTD) under the Faculty of Nursing regulations or forced to withdraw from the university (MW) and who is again required to discontinue will be required to discontinue indefinitely from the Faculty.

Students may be required to discontinue from their program of studies when the student is found to be unsuited for the profession of nursing, through consideration of competence or professional fitness as per the Professional Suitability Policy. See the policy in the Nursing Programs Student Handbook.

Time Limits, Graduation Requirements and Conferral of Degrees

See also the Graduation section in this Calendar. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that all courses required for graduation have been successfully completed. Students must submit an Application for Graduation form by the dates specified in this Calendar.

Time Limits

Students not actively enrolled in nursing courses for three consecutive semesters who wish to return to the nursing program must re-apply for admission to the program. Credit for nursing courses successfully completed will be given if the course was taken within seven (7) years of admission into the program. Students may be required to repeat one or more courses if more than one (1) year has passed since the student last completed a clinical course.

Leave of Absence

A student may request a leave of absence (LOA). The student must submit the request form through nursing@uregina.ca.The form is available on the URCourses student portal.

If the LOA is granted, it is for a standard time period of one year (three consecutive terms), although the student may re-enter the program at the start of any term within the leave period. The student must register at the end of the one year period in order to remain active in the program. Students may be required to repeat one or more courses if more than one (1) year has passed since the student last completed a clinical course. An LOA may be granted for:

- medical reasons
- maternity/parenting/adoption
- compassionate or other substantive reasons

Note that LOAs are not granted to accept employment.

Students on a Leave of Absence

A student on a LOA pays no fees and therefore is not entitled to the University or Sask Polytech services normally provided to students in the SCBScN program as a result of those fees.

The time of the leave does not count toward the nursing program.

A LOA is not granted retroactively.

Only one leave will be granted to a student during the tenure of their undergraduate program. An additional absence must take the form of a voluntary withdrawal.

Students on a Leave of Absence for Maternity/Parenting/Adoption

More than one leave may be granted to a student during the tenure of their program for maternity/parenting/adoption.

If a student's program is extended beyond the seven years due to LOA(s), the student may be required to repeat one or more courses where it is determined that the content may be out of date.

Graduation Requirements

A PGPA of 65.00% (all courses contributing to the degree) and an overall GPA of 65.00% in required nursing (CNUR) courses is required for graduation with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN).

Other Faculty Regulations

Course Prerequisites

Failure to successfully complete pre-requisite courses may jeopardize a student's progress in the program.

Faculty of Nursing Appeal Procedures

The Faculty of Nursing Undergraduate Student Appeals Committee will hear appeals from undergraduate students registered in Faculty of Nursing programs relating to:

1. A requirement to discontinue (RTD); and
2. Academic decisions of the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) except for those pertaining to admission, re-admission, transfer, deferrals, probations, and academic misconduct/disciplinary matters.

Matters such as grades assigned for individual classes or credits given for classes transferred from other institutions will not be considered by this committee.

Students who wish to appeal a requirement to discontinue or an academic decision of the Associate Dean of Nursing (Undergraduate) must do so in writing within 10 business days after the date on the letter advising of the decision by emailing nursing.appeals@uregina.ca. See the policy in the Nursing Programs Student Handbook for further information.

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Academic Programs

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN)

Credit hours	BScN Required Courses
3.0	CNUR 100
3.0	CNUR 101
3.0	CNUR 102
3.0	CNUR 103
3.0	CNUR 106
3.0	CNUR 107
3.0	CNUR 201
3.0	CNUR 202
3.0	CNUR 203
3.0	CNUR 204
3.0	CNUR 205
3.0	CNUR 206
3.0	CNUR 209
3.0	CNUR 300
3.0	CNUR 301
6.0	CNUR 302
6.0	CNUR 303
6.0	CNUR 304
6.0	CNUR 305
3.0	CNUR 400
6.0	CNUR 401
3.0	CNUR 402
6.0	CNUR 403
6.0	CNUR 404
93.0	**Subtotal: 65% GPA required**
3.0	BIOL 110
3.0	BIOL 111
3.0	BIOL 222
3.0	ENGL 100
3.0	INHS 100
3.0	STAT 100
3.0	Open Elective
3.0	Open Elective
3.0	Open Elective
120.0	**Total: 65% PGPA required**

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Bilingual Option

Credit hours	BScN Bilingual Option Required Courses
3.0	CNUR 100 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 101
3.0	CNUR 102 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 103
3.0	CNUR 106 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 107
3.0	CNUR 201 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 202
3.0	CNUR 203
3.0	CNUR 204
3.0	CNUR 205
3.0	CNUR 206
3.0	CNUR 209 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 300 (FR)
3.0	CNUR 301
6.0	CNUR 302 (FR)*
6.0	CNUR 303
6.0	CNUR 304
6.0	CNUR 305
3.0	CNUR 400 (FR)
6.0	CNUR 401
3.0	CNUR 402 (FR)
6.0	CNUR 403 (FR)
6.0	CNUR 404 (FR)
84.0	**Subtotal: 65% GPA required**
3.0	BIOL 110
3.0	BIOL 111
3.0	BIOL 222
3.0	FRN 352
3.0	INDG 100 (FR)
3.0	STAT 100 (FR)
3.0	Open Elective (FR)
3.0	Open Elective (FR)
3.0	Open Elective (FR)
87.0	**Total: 65.00% PGPA required**
(FR) denotes courses delivered in French ***Theory in English, Clinical French**	

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) After Degree Program

Credit hours	BScN After Degree Program Required Courses
3.0	CNUR 106
3.0	CNUR 201
3.0	CNUR 202
3.0	CNUR 204
3.0	CNUR 206
3.0	CNUR 209
6.0	CNUR 211
6.0	CNUR 212
3.0	CNUR 300
3.0	CNUR 301
6.0	CNUR 302
6.0	CNUR 303
6.0	CNUR 304
6.0	CNUR 305
3.0	CNUR 400
6.0	CNUR 401
3.0	CNUR 402
6.0	CNUR 403
6.0	CNUR 404
84.0	**Subtotal: 65% GPA required**
3.0	BIOL 222
87.0	**Total: 65% PGPA required**

Minors for Nursing Programs

Students may complete one minor in a subject other than their major. The minor is a concentration of at least six courses in a discipline from any of the Faculties of Science; Arts; Media, Art, and Performance; or La Cité universitaire francophone. The applications to graduate with a minor are ultimately approved by the Faculty offering the student’s first major. The specific courses required for a minor in a given discipline can be found under the relevant departmental listing. A minimum of three (3) courses from outside the major are required.