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Saskatchewan Polytechnic adopts Canada's new, official credential wallet for its learners and graduates

Agreement to implement MyCreds™, a virtual credential wallet that provides easy access to official academic documents

Effective today, Saskatchewan Polytechnic learners and graduates will now have 24/7 access to their transcripts along with other official academic documents through MyCreds™, a virtual credential wallet. This virtual wallet was successfully piloted with specific programs in the fall and has now expanded to include parchments, official transcripts, enrolment verifications and documents specifically required by international students including letters of acceptance and post-graduation work permit letters.

In signing the agreement with the Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada (ARUCC), Sask Polytech becomes the eighth of 13 polytechnics in a growing number of higher education institutions in Canada to adopt MyCreds™. MyCreds™ is a national, shared service and platform developed by the ARUCC on behalf of member institutions. Through MyCreds™, learners will be able to securely and conveniently access and share their academic documents with other colleges and universities, employers and third parties. Documents issued through MyCreds™ are tamper-evident and cryptographically signed, making them authentic and official.

"We are pleased to add the MyCreds™ platform at Saskatchewan Polytechnic as a secure, digital method for our learners and graduates to view and share their academic records," says Sask Polytech associate vice president of Student Services, Alice Miller. "Sask Polytech's learners and graduates will benefit greatly from 24/7 access to the MyCreds™ digital wallet. Thank you to ARUCC for its leadership in making one-stop, seamless access to verified documents a reality for its member institutions."

MyCreds™ has distinct benefits for Sask Polytech learners and graduates, higher education institutions, employers, government and third parties. For learners, the convenience of continuous access and added security are improvements to previous methods of requesting and accessing official documents through email or phone calls. Sask Polytech and its peer institutions will also benefit from the added security of MyCreds™, and the new system will streamline internal processes for document processing and verification. Employers, government and other third parties will benefit from the confidence, trust and fraud protection that the new wallet offers.

"We are truly excited to bring Saskatchewan Polytechnic into the MyCreds family," says Joanne Duklas, ARUCC MyCreds Executive Lead. "The number of Saskatchewan institutions embracing this new, innovative technology to deliver secure, privacy compliant documents and credentials to learners is astounding. It is important to work together through a not-for-profit, shared service model to advance access to credentials to learners instantaneously and on a 24/7 basis. We are proud to have helped Saskatchewan Polytechnic reach higher when supporting learners."



Learners automatically receive information on how to access MyCreds™ by email upon completion of their program. Learners can also initiate a digital document upload to MyCreds™ in the mySaskpolytech portal under Enrolment Services. For more information about MyCreds™, visit the [MyCreds™ website](#) or [Sask Polytech's MyCreds™ page](#).

About MyCreds™

MyCreds™ is a national, shared service and platform that provides students and graduates access to a secure, online, password protected learner credential wallet. This virtual wallet allows them to view and share their verified and official transcripts, credentials, and academic documents in a digitized format on a 24/7 basis – anytime, anywhere. It also enables sharing between organizations with the learner's permission. Secure, cryptographically signed documents can be sent conveniently and require no further verification. MyCreds™ is the first and only national bilingual system of its kind in Canada.

About Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Saskatchewan Polytechnic serves students through applied learning opportunities on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 Territories and the homeland of the Métis. Learning takes place at campuses in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon and through extensive distance education opportunities. Programs serve every economic and public service sector. As a polytechnic, the organization provides the depth of learning appropriate to employer and student need, including certificate, diploma and degree programs, and apprenticeship training. Saskatchewan Polytechnic engages in applied research, drawing on faculty expertise to support innovation by employers, and providing students the opportunity to develop critical thinking skills.

About ARUCC

The Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada (ARUCC) owns MyCreds™. ARUCC provides leadership in the post-secondary education field and service to its member institutions nationally and internationally, helping foster the advancement of registrarial practices and learner focused service delivery in Canada.

About Digitary

Digitary provides the underlying engine powering MyCreds™. Digitary was launched in Dublin, Ireland in 2005, and has grown to become a leading online platform for certifying, sharing, and verifying academic credentials. Learner-centric since the very start, Digitary enables millions of learners to share their verified academic achievements online, securely, quickly and easily. Digitary is now used by organizations in over 135 countries.

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