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GENERAL INFORMATION

Vision

We are leaders in professional practice and scholarship related to adult, continuing and distance education. We enable learners to meet geographic, economic, social and personal challenges to continuing their education.

Mission

We are the University's focal point for planning and delivering innovative extension programs in response to the aspirations of the individuals, organizations and communities we serve. Our global approach to education enhances the social and economic well-being of the people of Saskatchewan, Canada, and beyond. We engage in scholarship that contributes significantly to professional practice in adult, continuing and distance education.

Values

We value excellence in professional practice and scholarship; respectful, equitable, inclusive and socially responsible relationships with learners, colleagues and partners; responsible financial management; and the University's commitment to accessibility and educational equity.

The strength of our programs lies in their flexibility to respond to the learning needs of our many students. Our extension programmers work closely with individuals and groups in the community and develop learning opportunities through a range of educational offerings: face-to-face and distance education courses, seminars, workshops, conferences, in-service training sessions, and formal and informal consultations. As well, we produce home-

study learning packages that include printed as well as audio-visual materials.

For information about the Extension Division, you are encouraged to contact the Dean's Office.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The Division offers opportunities for professionals to improve their qualifications and stay current with developments in their fields of expertise. Our educational offerings are planned for agrologists, horticulturists, engineers and soil scientists, teachers in the fine and performing arts, counsellors, business managers, scientists, and others.

We also plan educational events for individuals who wish to pursue personal interests such as learning a new language, understanding more about environmental issues, and developing their communication skills.

Program areas are outlined below. For more information on current professional development and community education offerings, telephone: (306)966-5539 or visit our web site, www.extension.usask.ca/.

ADULT EDUCATION

The adult education program is offered in conjunction with the Certificate in Adult and Continuing Education (CACE). It offers CACE students and practitioners professional development activities in a variety of thematic areas, such as needs assessment and evaluation, program planning, marketing and promotion, instructional design, technology-assisted instructional techniques, and portfolio development. On-campus workshops and short courses are the primary delivery formats, although designated events are supplemented by home-based independent study, computer conferencing, or videoconferencing. The program is of special relevance to instructors/trainers, administrators, and program planners from post-secondary institutions, government agencies, hospitals, school boards, and non-profit agencies.

AGRICULTURE

The Division coordinates conferences, short courses, workshops, demonstrations, and special-interest certificates in response to industry needs. The programs offered reach agricultural producers, members of the agribusiness sector and professional agrologists. The program coordinators develop extension events in cooperation with agricultural organizations, University of Saskatchewan faculty, and other public and private research scientists. The scope of programs offered range from provincial/regional to national and international.

BUSINESS AND LEADERSHIP

The Division plans its business and leadership extension activities in collaboration with the College of Commerce and with an advisory group of representatives from business, industry, non-profit organizations, government, the

Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, professional associations, and other organizations. A wide range of business and management topics are addressed in seminars, workshops, and conferences (e.g., leadership, facilitating and coaching skills, strategic planning, and skills for sales success).

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

This program includes educational opportunities targeted at both professional and lay audiences, such as career counselling, interview skills and adult career planning.

CENTRE FOR SECOND LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION

Located in the R. J. D. Williams Building at 221 Cumberland Ave. N., the Centre provides instruction in a variety of languages, develops learning materials, and facilitates the use of Canada's official and heritage languages. Ongoing instruction in French includes courses for teachers and the general public. In addition, the Centre provides a three-level distance education program in written French. The English language program includes non-credit courses in English for Academic Purposes, conversational English, and full-time ESL program for international students. Students who successfully complete the full-time ESL program (Level 50: Advanced) will be considered by most of the colleges as having met the necessary English proficiency requirements. Such students may also qualify for admission to the University as Unclassified students. The Centre also acts as the academic home for the Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language, which is administered by Extension Credit Studies. In recent years the Centre has been actively involved in several major development projects on a national level, developing teaching materials for teaching English and French to new immigrants to Canada.

COMMUNITY ARTS

The Extension Division Community Arts Program provides lifelong learning opportunities in the arts and culture for adults and children. Programs are delivered primarily on the University Campus, at the Albert Community Centre, and at Emma Lake Kenderdine Campus. Offerings include: weekly courses and specialty workshops in visual, literary and performing arts; music, movement and art camps for kids; The Community Music Education Program (Music in Early Childhood, Parenting with Music, and the Children's Choral Program); Emma Lake workshops; conferences; retreats; arts shows and sales; performing arts events; community arts development activities; and art and wellness programs. The Extension Division also manages the University of Saskatchewan Arts Council, a member council of the Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils, through which the Kirk Hall Gallery art shows and University of Saskatchewan art student visual art tours are coordinated.

Emma Lake Kenderdine Campus

The University of Saskatchewan, Emma Lake Kenderdine Campus is a residential

summer campus situated within 55 acres of boreal forest at Murray Point, Emma Lake. The campus includes private and shared dwellings, a dining hall, two classrooms, sculpture pad, an art studio, and a biology laboratory. From 1955 to 1995 the campus gained international recognition for the Emma Lake Artists' Workshops, co-sponsored by the University of Saskatchewan Department of Art and Art History and the Extension Division. Since the 1980s, the campus has also hosted a variety of internationally acclaimed arts programs delivered by outside user groups, including the Saskatchewan Cultural Exchange's Fiddle Camps and the Saskatchewan Craft Council's International Woodworking conferences. University events that take place on at the Emma Lake Kenderdine Campus include Extension Division arts programs, research and honours courses through the Department of Biology, leadership training workshops for department heads, and creative gymnastics camps coordinated by the College of Kinesiology. The Campus is managed by a Board of Directors, a Director, and an on-site seasonal manager. To learn more about using this campus, telephone: (306) 966-2463 or email emma.lake@usask.ca.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

The Division sponsors educational conferences, workshops, and consultations in community development and community economic development, including training sessions for community and agency leaders. Topics are selected to meet current learning needs, such as in agriculture leadership and health promotion. This program also conducts applied research on topics relating to rural and northern development. Many of the programs are co-sponsored with related groups, such as the Community Development Society of Saskatchewan (CDSS), the Saskatchewan Economic Developers Association (SEDA), and the Saskatchewan Council for Community Development (SCCD).

ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

We offer continuing education opportunities to engineers, environmental scientists, resource managers and other technical professionals. In addition, we provide computer software training, and a wide selection of lab-based and outdoor programs to help you learn about science, Nature and sustainable living.

HORTICULTURE

In cooperation with the Department of Plant Sciences, the Extension Division coordinates workshops, conferences, and short courses for the horticultural industry, commercial producers and home gardeners. Our staff are also involved in the production of books, manuals, and videos, which are used to transfer university-based information to the public. The Extension Division coordinates the Master Gardener Program. The staff work closely with industry, growers, and home gardeners to identify needs and develop appropriate events. The program also supports the publication of the periodical *The Gardener*

for the Prairies, in cooperation with three other provincial horticultural organizations.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Courses in this area provide an opportunity for interested adults to improve their understanding of issues and concepts relating to daily living, job, or profession; and to benefit from improved knowledge and discussion. Topics can range from general interest courses in history or anthropology, to those with specific focus, such as a range of writing courses.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

The Extension Division arranges workshops, conferences, seminars, and study tours on Aboriginal and cross-cultural topics. It promotes Indigenous literature through the publication of the Indigenous Women's Network magazine, twice yearly. *Expressions in Canadian Native Studies*, an introductory textbook produced in partnership with the Department of Native Studies, is now available through University Extension Press. *Akameyimow: An Anthology of Aboriginal Women's Writings* will be available soon. *Voices (Being Native in Canada)* and *Residential Schools (The Stolen Years)* edited by Linda Jaine, *Journey to Healing*, a video on Residential Schools produced by Linda Jaine and Maria Campbell, and *Aboriginal Pedagogy*, edited by Lenore Stiffarm are also available. The program will host a conference on Indigenous knowledge in May 2001.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

Courses related to personal development and the acquisition of interpersonal coping skills fall into this broad category. These psychology-based workshops cover such subjects as Carkhuff counselling, assertiveness training and conflict resolution.

SENIORS EDUCATION

The Division provides courses under contract to Saskatoon Seniors Continued Learning Inc., which operates a Saskatoon program of university-level subjects. The Division, through funding from the Saskatchewan Seniors Education Corporation and the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism, also provides opportunities for seniors in rural areas to take university-level courses.

WOMEN'S STUDIES

The Division's Women's Studies program provides an opportunity for women from all parts of Saskatchewan and Canada to get involved in examining and acting on issues which advance the cause of women. Other activities include planning and implementing educational programs for regional and national women's groups and

developing research projects on the changing roles of women and related issues. Research is currently being conducted on issues associated with employment equity in Canadian universities and the impact of health care reform on women. A book on feminism by University graduate students is in preparation.

EXTENSION CREDIT STUDIES

The University has a strong commitment to making special provisions to accommodate people who desire to study toward a university degree on a part-time or off-campus basis. Extension Credit Studies has established a "program approach," utilizing Spring and Summer Session and Regular Session (see below). The program approach enables off-campus students to attain the equivalent of second-year standing in several disciplines in a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree program in the College of Arts and Science. Bulletins and application forms are available from the Office of the Registrar or the Extension Division, University of Saskatchewan, 117 Science Place, Saskatoon SK S7N 5C8. For information on the Extension Credit Studies programs, telephone: (306)966-5563.

UNCLASSIFIED STUDIES

The Extension Division is responsible for Unclassified Studies students. For more information on Unclassified Studies, see the Unclassified Studies section of the *Calendar*. If you require further assistance, telephone: (306)966-5607 or toll free in Saskatchewan 1-800-667-4780, fax: (306)966-5590 or email uc.advisor@usask.ca

SPRING AND SUMMER SESSION

Classes of 3 1/2 weeks, 7 weeks, 10 1/2 weeks, and 14 weeks' duration are held during the May-August period during **Spring and Summer Session**. Classes are normally offered in Agriculture, Arts and Science, Commerce, Education, Graduate Studies, Kinesiology, and Nursing. Instruction is provided by members of the University faculty, sessional lecturers, and visiting lecturers who are invited to join the Spring and Summer Session staff.

REGULAR SESSION

EVENING COURSES

A number of degree credit courses in Arts and Science, Commerce, Education, Graduate Studies, and other colleges are offered in the evening. These courses are usually scheduled one night per week.

OFF-CAMPUS COURSES

Selected degree credit courses in Arts, Commerce, Education, and Kinesiology are available in outlying centres through the Regional College and SIAS systems in Kindersley, La Ronge, Melfort, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Yorkton, and other smaller centres. A copy of the Bulletin and further information on University degree credit courses may be obtained by contacting your regional college, SIAS, Extension Credit Studies, or the Office of the Registrar at the University of Saskatchewan.

INDEPENDENT STUDY/TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED COURSES

Some Agriculture, Arts and Science, and Education courses listed in the *Calendar* are also available in a distance education format: instructional materials for such courses are sent out by mail so that students can study at home or close to home. Opportunities are provided for students to consult by telephone with faculty on campus. Many courses rely primarily on printed and audio materials. Some courses make use of a combination of printed materials, face-to-face discussion, the Internet, or televised instruction (both live and recorded).

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Extension Credit Studies also offers several certificates in cooperation with Colleges of the University.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Offered in cooperation with the College of Commerce, the program includes a broad array of business topics. It is an eight-course program, and the courses are recognized as meeting some or all of the requirements for certificates offered by a number of national professional organizations. For information on the program, contact Grace Milashenko at (306)966-5562.

CERTIFICATES IN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM

Offered in cooperation with the College of Agriculture, the program presently comprises a Certificate in Crop Production and a Certificate in Farm Business Management. The courses are the same as those offered in the College of Agriculture's diploma program, but are delivered by means of home study packages to make them more accessible to farmers and persons involved in enterprises and organizations related to agriculture. For information on the program, telephone: (306) 966-5563.

CERTIFICATE IN ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

This certificate involves the completion of 250 hours of instruction, including four required core courses. Electives can be chosen from a slate of short courses and professional development workshops in the adult and continuing education area. Most of the certificate can be completed through independent studies courses. Partnership with the Universities of Alberta, Manitoba, and Victoria provides further flexibility and choices. For more information, telephone: (306)966-5562.

CERTIFICATE IN ECOLOGICAL EDUCATION

Offered in cooperation with the Department of Educational Foundations, College of Education, the program comprises 13 courses taken over a seven- to eight-month period (normally May to December). Students may also take the program on a part-time basis over a longer period of time. The program involves some extended wilderness experiences of up to three weeks in duration. For more information, telephone: (306)966-7680.

CERTIFICATE IN METHODS OF TEACHING HERITAGE LANGUAGES

Offered in cooperation with the College of Education and the Saskatchewan Intercultural Association Inc., the program comprises 18 credit units of degree credit courses and is intended to improve the teaching of heritage languages. For more information, contact the Saskatchewan Intercultural Association Inc. at (306)978-1818.

CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

This is a home-study program designed to meet the needs of instructors of English as a Second Language. Typically, the program takes two to three years of part-time study. To qualify for the certificate, students must successfully complete six courses. For information on the program, telephone: (306)966-5563.

PRAIRIE HORTICULTURE CERTIFICATE

Offered by distance education as a collaborative effort of the University of Saskatchewan, University of Manitoba, Assiniboine Community College, and Olds College, this program has four streams: Landscaping and Arboriculture, Nursery Crop Production, Greenhouse Crop Production, and Fruit and Vegetable Production. To qualify for the certificate, students must complete eight courses of at least 360 hours, which can be taken on a part-time basis by home study in two to four years. For more information, telephone: (306)966-5563.