

First Qualified First Admitted (FQFA) Application Process

The First Qualified First Admitted Application process is used for the majority of programs at Saskatchewan Polytechnic. The sooner you apply with all of the necessary documentation (application, transcripts, supporting documentation), the sooner you can qualify for admission to a program. You will receive a date when your application becomes qualified.

Applications are accepted all year round for FQFA programs. For the greatest chance of obtaining a seat, domestic applicants (Canadian citizens and permanent residents [landed immigrants]) are encouraged to apply before our February 15th priority consideration date. Past this date, seats in selected programs will also be open to international applicants.

Using the Business Information Systems program as an example, students require Grade 12 plus any 30 level math to qualify for admission to the program.

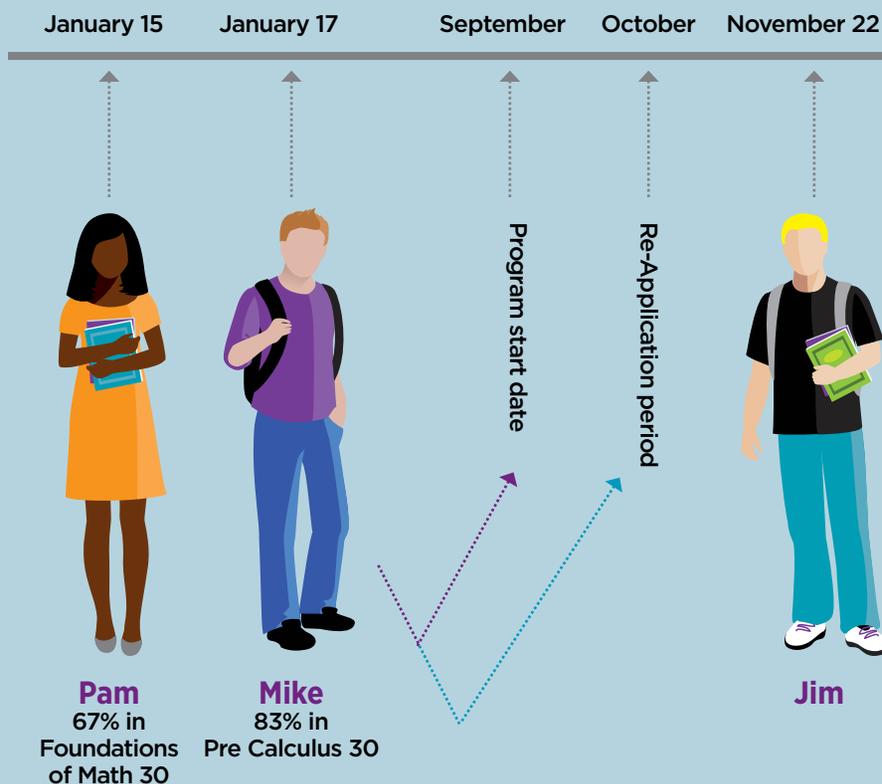
- Pam qualifies for the program on January 15th.
- Mike qualifies for the program 2 days later on January 17.
- Both Pam and Mike are qualified for the program, but because Pam has qualified before Mike, she will be awarded a seat before him. Hence the term *First Qualified First Admitted*. Mike's higher grade in a 30 level math does not influence his standing, as both meet the requirements for the program. Pam will be awarded the seat with a January 15 qualifying date; the qualifying date is how applicants are placed in priority.

If Pam happens to take the last available seat, Mike will be placed on the waitlist for the upcoming intake (purple arrow). This means that if a seat opens up prior to the start of the program, Saskatchewan Polytechnic will call people on the waitlist to fill this seat. This could happen at any time, right up to the start of the program.

If Mike is still on the waitlist after the program starts, he will be contacted in October inviting him to re-apply to the next intake of the program (blue arrow). If he says yes, he will have to pay the application fee again, but he will get to retain his qualifying date of January 17. This is to his benefit, as it will place him ahead in the line, in front of persons such as Jim who qualifies for the same intake on November 22.

Sask Polytech cannot predict how many applicants with a qualifying date before Mike's will take the opportunity to re-apply. We can only advise that the more times an applicant re-applies, the greater their chances of getting a seat in the program.

Business Information Systems program Grade 12 with any 30 level math



Pam
67% in
Foundations
of Math 30

Mike
83% in
Pre Calculus 30

Jim

Competitive Application Process

A small number of Saskatchewan Polytechnic programs are currently designated as Competitive entry. They are:

- Combined Lab and X-Ray Technician (CLXT) Diploma
- Dental Hygiene
- Practical Nursing
- Medical Radiologic Technology
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) program.

For the **CLXT, Dental Hygiene, Medical Radiologic Technology and Medical Laboratory Technology**, these programs may have additional selection criteria in addition to the admission requirements. Admission requirements set the minimum academic standard required for success in a program. The selection criteria are broader than academic requirements. Examples of potential selection criteria include interviews, career explorations and work or volunteer experience.

These programs open for application on **October 1** and close on **February 15**, each academic year. All supporting documentation is required by 4:30 p.m. (Saskatchewan time) on March 1.

Official high school transcripts must be submitted directly to Saskatchewan Polytechnic at the end of semester one and the end of semester two of the Grade 12 year. The Ministry of Education will send transcripts at the end of each semester for the cost of a single transcript. Saskatchewan Polytechnic must receive final Grade 12 transcripts by August 1.

Final admission is determined after additional phases of the high-demand process have been applied and program-specific requirements have been met. International applicants may be considered for admission to these programs. Refer to each program's official web page for the current status of international applications.

For the **Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN)** program, delivered in partnership with the University of Regina, this program also uses the competitive admission process. Applications are ranked according to specific program requirements.

The program is open for applications from **October 1** to **February 15** each academic year. Online applications close at 11:59 p.m. Saskatchewan time; in person applications must be handed in by 4:30 p.m. Saskatchewan time on **February 15**.

If you are a current high school student, you will submit two transcripts for your application. The first one is sent during Grade 12, and the second is sent after graduation. The second, or final transcript, must be an official transcript submitted to Saskatchewan Polytechnic by August 1.

If you are a high school graduate with less than 15 credit hours of post-secondary, all high school admission requirements must be completed and an official transcript submitted to Saskatchewan Polytechnic by March 15.

All post-secondary transcripts must be mailed directly from the institution attended to Saskatchewan Polytechnic by March 15. Applicants who are enrolled in post-secondary courses at the time of application must submit their final transcript by August 1. Applicants with outstanding grades at another post-secondary institution as of August 1 will be required to have an additional transcript submitted to Saskatchewan Polytechnic by September 1.

For international applicants with student visas, the application period closes on December 31 and all documents must be submitted by January 31.

Students must submit official transcripts from ALL post-secondary institutions attended even if fewer than 15 credit hours are completed. Failure to disclose attendance at another post-secondary institution may lead to cancellation of your application.



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