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Carlton Trail College and Sask Polytech partnership boosts funding for trades training

Bursaries available to cover program tuition, book costs, learning resources and online course materials

July 30, 2019 – To help women, Indigenous peoples, newcomers and persons with disabilities start a career in the trades, Carlton Trail College is offering bursaries to better support a skilled, inclusive, certified and productive trades workforce by improving the efficiency and effectiveness of training provided. The bursaries and funding are made possible by the Government of Canada's Skilled Trades Awareness and Readiness (STAR) Program and collaborative partnership with Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

Bursaries may be available to Carlton Trail College students who meet the eligibility criteria and are accepted into the following post-secondary, trades-based programs:

Electrician (Applied Certificate)	Location: Humboldt	Program: August 19 to December 19, 2019
Welding (Applied Certificate)	Location: Humboldt	Program: October 21, 2019 to March 27, 2020
Plumbing and Pipefitting (Applied Certificate)	Location: Humboldt	Program: January 4, 2020 to May 15, 2020

"Supporting a skilled, inclusive, certified and productive trades workforce is important to Sask Polytech," says Paul Carter, Sask Polytech Dean for the Schools of Construction and Transportation. "We are excited to partner with Carlton Trail College to share funding from the Government of Canada's Skills Trade Awareness and Readiness (STAR) program."

"Students sometimes need a lift to consider further education or training," says Deanna Gaetz, Business & Skills Training Manager with Carlton Trail College. "These targeted bursary funds provide substantial, financial support for those who are often under-represented in the trades."

These applied certificate programs are brokered via Sask Polytech, delivered within the region and taught by highly-skilled instructors. Applied certificate programs can also provide students with a head-start towards apprenticeship.

Students can apply for a program through Carlton Trail College's website. A limited number of bursaries are available.

Carlton Trail College

Helping students learn where they live, Carlton Trail College combines in-depth, applied learning with hands-on experience to provide career-focused education for students residing in east-central Saskatchewan. Offering a range of technical education and skills training opportunities, Carlton Trail College serves over 1,700 students per year. Ninety-five percent of our program graduates find employment in their field. Established in 1973, Carlton Trail College changes lives through learning.

Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Saskatchewan Polytechnic serves students through applied learning opportunities 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 needs, 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.

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