

The University of Saskatchewan is accepting nominations of candidates for the position of chancellor for a three-year term ending June 30, 2028. The chancellor is the ceremonial head of the university and presides over Convocation, confers degrees, chairs the University Senate, and is a member of the Board of Governors.

University Senate is responsible for the appointment of the chancellor and invites nominations of qualified candidates who have been members of Convocation for at least 10 years. Members of Convocation include members of Senate, and all graduates of the University of Saskatchewan.

Nomination requirements:

- Must be received by the Governance Office by February 28, 2025.
- Must be endorsed by seven members of Convocation.
- Must include a biographical summary of the candidate.
- Must include written consent of the candidate.

Please send the completed nomination form to:

Julian Demkiw, Chief Governance Officer

University of Saskatchewan, Room 212 Peter MacKinnon Building, 107 Administration Place
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A2

Email: governance.office@usask.ca

Candidate Consent

1. I, _____, agree to let my name stand for nomination for the chancellor of the University of Saskatchewan for a three-year term ending June 30, 2028.
2. I understand that the position of chancellor is an unpaid volunteer role and I may be expected to spend a minimum of 30 working days each year to fulfil the statutory requirements of the role.
3. I have read and understand the document 'Position Profile – Chancellor.'
4. I have been a member of Convocation for at least 10 years.

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Preferred phone: _____

Email: _____

University of Saskatchewan degree(s) and year(s) received:

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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We, the undersigned members of Convocation, hereby nominate:**FULL NAME OF CANDIDATE:**

This nomination must be supported by seven members of Convocation.¹ Please complete the fields below.

Nominator #1

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

Nominator #2

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

Nominator #3

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

Nominator #4

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

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Nominator #5

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

Nominator #6

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

Nominator #7

Full Name: _____

U of S Degree and year earned: _____

Full Address: _____

Email: _____

* I, the above-named nominator, support the nomination of this candidate.

¹The Convocation is composed of the chancellor, the senate and all graduates of the university.

POSITION PROFILE – CHANCELLOR

The Role of Chancellor

The role of chancellor is established in the University of Saskatchewan Act 1995, which indicates that the chancellor, as an alumnus of the university appointed by the Senate, shall

- preside at all meetings of the Convocation and Senate (8 days/yr)
- confer degrees
- serve as a member of the Board of Governors (11 days/yr)

The chancellor chairs meetings of Senate (twice per year in April and October) and chairs the Senate Executive Committee (2-3 times per year in September and March). The chancellor is a member of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee (once or twice per year); Senate Membership Committee (as required); and Senate Nominations Committee (2-4 times per year). The chancellor is also a member of the Board of Governors and attends all Board meetings and committee meetings (at least 11 days per year).

In addition, the chancellor is called upon

- to act in an advisory and supportive role to the president
- to represent the university at official functions and events [e.g. award ceremonies for students, staff and alumni; grand openings; pow-wows; other university installations; chamber functions; Huskie events; holiday receptions
- to participate on other Board standing and ad hoc committees as determined by the governance committee

In total the chancellor can spend approximately 30 days per year at the university, although the commitment could be more depending on the focus of the incumbent. The position is a voluntary one, unremunerated except for expenses. Serving as chancellor therefore constitutes significant public service. The chancellor holds a position of respect and considerable prestige within the university and broader community.

Statutory Requirements

In accordance with the Act, only persons who have been members of the Convocation for at least 10 years before nomination are eligible to be appointed as chancellor. The chancellor is appointed by the Senate on the recommendation of a nomination committee, and holds office for a term of three years and until his or her successor is appointed. He/she may be appointed to serve office for a second three-year term but may not serve a third consecutive term.

Selection Criteria

- A passionate and articulate advocate of the University of Saskatchewan and of higher education generally
- Knowledgeable about the university, its programs and governance
- Willing to spend significant time on the campus
- An effective communicator with both internal and external audiences
- An experienced and effective meeting chair and public speaker
- Able and willing to commit significant time and energy to the work of the Board and to make a sound contribution as a Board member
- Able to forge an effective working relationship with the president and to inspire the president's trust and confidence
- Well known and liked within the community
- Able to bring honour and prestige to the university and to project the dignity and personal presence required of the office
- In a position to promote and further the strategic goals and ambitions of the institution