

Saskatchewan Student Aid for Students with Disabilities

2024-25



Some features of the Saskatchewan Student Aid program are specifically for students with disabilities.

What's important?

Financial supports for students with disabilities

- Students with a verified disability who receive student aid will be eligible for the [Canada Student Grant for Students with Disabilities](#). Students are automatically considered for this grant in their student aid application. This grant provides \$2,800 per school year to assist with educational or living costs.
- Eligible students can take a reduced course load and access student aid for a longer academic period.
- Students may be eligible to receive the [Canada Saskatchewan Student Grant for Services and Equipment](#). This grant provides up to \$22,000 per program year including \$20,000 for the Canada Grant and \$2,000 for the Saskatchewan Grant. Examples of eligible costs include tutors, interpreters, computer software, specialized transportation and disability assessment fees.

Additional Funding for Students with Dependants

Saskatchewan is introducing a new grant for full-time students, the [Saskatchewan Student Grant for Low-Income Students with Dependants](#). This grant will provide up to \$950 per eight-month study period for each dependant. All other Saskatchewan Student Aid amounts, for both full-time and part-time studies, remain unchanged from 2023-24.

Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship

If you are a Saskatchewan Grade 12 graduate (2012 or later) and enrol in a Saskatchewan post-secondary institution,

you may be eligible to receive the Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship. The scholarship provides \$750 per year, with a lifetime maximum of \$3,000. To receive this scholarship, students are required to apply for student aid.

Request Grants-Only Funding

When you apply for Saskatchewan student aid, you are assessed for a combination of non-repayable grants and repayable loans. You can choose to decline the loans and receive only grants.

Did you know?

Students with disabilities are not required to make the fixed student contribution of \$3,000

There is no fixed student contribution for students with disabilities, Indigenous students, students with dependants and students who are, or were, Crown wards.

Medical and Parental Leave

If you are taking leave from your studies due to medical or parental reasons, you can apply for the Medical or Parental Leave and your loan will be treated the same as if you were in studies. The leave is available for six months at a time and can be extended twice (e.g., a leave can last a maximum of 18 months total). You must apply within six months of your period of study end date. Refer to the [Canada-Saskatchewan Student Loans Administrative Guidelines](#).

Repayment Assistance Plan for Borrowers with Disabilities

You may qualify for the [Repayment Assistance Plan for Borrowers with Disabilities \(RAP-D\)](#) if you are having difficulty meeting loan payment obligations. RAP-D begins to pay down debt immediately and will ensure that the debt is paid in 10 years from the last period of study end date. For more information, contact the [National Student Loan Service Centre](#).

Where can I get more information?

Online: saskatchewan.ca/studentloans

Toll-free: 1-800-597-8278

Email: studentservices@gov.sk.ca

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