

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Advanced Education
Title of Travel	Sask Polytech on the Hill
Location	Ottawa, ON
Date(s)	September 24-27, 2023
Participants	Honourable Gordon S. Wyant, K.C., Minister of Advanced Education Michelle Lang, Chief of Staff to Minister Wyant, Advanced Education
Purpose of Travel	To attend inaugural meetings with federal Ministers and delegates
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants	
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)	\$2,906.50
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains, and buses)	\$106.46
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)	\$2,108.28
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)	\$309.00
Conference & Registration Fees	\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and inoculation fees, and other sundry expenditures)	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$5,430.24
General Travel Expenditures	
Business Hosting Expenses (luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)	\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$5,430.24

Overview of Travel and Objectives

The Government of Saskatchewan formally announced the new Saskatchewan Polytech Campus project at an event held at Innovation Place in Saskatoon on September 20, 2023.

The new Saskatchewan Polytechnic campus will support and strengthen the Innovation Corridor that brings together business, entrepreneurs, students and other learning institutions to create a centre of excellence in applied learning and research. It will help prepare more job-ready graduates who can support vital public services like health care and contribute to Saskatchewan's strong, growing economy and long-term prosperity.

The Government of Saskatchewan has committed up to \$200 million in funding, pending successful completion of planning deliverables. The project received \$6 million in planning and design funding through the 2023-24 Provincial Budget.

The Government of Saskatchewan is working with potential funding partners, including the federal government, to secure funding commitments for the project; increasing program capacity to help grow the economy and increase competitiveness in attracting investment to Saskatchewan and Canada.

Travel Activity:

The Minister of Advanced Education and Saskatchewan Stakeholders in collaboration with Saskatchewan Polytech, met with the Federal Government and Delegates in Ottawa to secure funding commitments for the new Saskatchewan Polytechnic Campus in Saskatoon.

Minister Wyant participated in a debrief with Saskatchewan Stakeholders and met with Federal Ministers and Delegates including:

Federal Ministers and Delegation:

- MP Terry Duguid, Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister and Special Advisor
- Jamie Innis, Chief of Staff, Office of the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Safety
- MP George Chahal, Chair of Liberal Prairie Caucus
- Kelly Gillis, Deputy Minister, Infrastructure and Communities
- Honourable Jenna Sudds, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development
- Honourable Dan Vandal, Minister of Northern Affairs, Minister responsible for Prairies Economic Development Canada and Minister responsible for the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency
- Bud Sambasivam, Director of Policy, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
- Galen Richardson, Senior Regional Advisor, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
- Pamela Wallin, Senate of Canada, Senator for Saskatchewan
- Marty Klyne, Senate of Canada, Senator for Saskatchewan

- Brent Kotter, Senate of Canada, Senator for Saskatchewan
- David Arnot, Senate of Canada, Senator for Saskatchewan
- Paul Moen, Chief of Staff, Office of the Minister of Labour and Seniors
- Saskatchewan Conservative Federal Caucus

Saskatchewan Stakeholders:

- Dr. Larry Rosia, President and CEO, Saskatchewan Polytechnic
- Jim Nowakowski, Former President & current Advisor, JNE Welding, Alum
- Dr. Has Malik, Provost and VP Academic, Saskatchewan Polytechnic
- Jason Aebig, CEO, Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce
- Mary Donlevy-Konkin, K.C., McKercher LLP Barristers & Solicitors
- Kristen Bergstrom, Indigenous Student Advisor, Saskatchewan Polytechnic
- Mitchell Holash, K.C., Board Chair - Saskatchewan Polytechnic
- Cari Bode, Board Director - Saskatchewan Polytechnic, and Partner & Sales Administration Manager - South Country Equipment
- Larry Long, Senior Advisor, Nutrien Potash Exploration & Potash Operations
- Deanna Speidel, Director of Indigenous Services, Saskatchewan Polytechnic