

PAW 2026

People Around the World International Congress

MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

The following optional tours are available free of charge to all registered attendees of the 2026 PAW International Congress.

Pre-registration is required. Participants may register for multiple tours. Tour registration is available through the PAW Congress online registration process — you can [REGISTER HERE](#). Additional details, including tour meeting points will be sent to registered participants closer to the event date.

Tours Available

All tours to be held on October 20th, 2026

- 🔗 University of Saskatchewan Campus Sustainability Tour
- 🔗 Controlled Environment Facility (Phytotron)
- 🔗 Canadian Light Source (CLS)
- 🔗 Saskatchewan Cyclotron Facilities
- 🔗 Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO)
- 🔗 Campus Walking Tour: Stretch Your Legs and Explore USask

Tour Descriptions

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY TOUR

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

The University of Saskatchewan campus is full of sustainability features both obvious and hidden for the eager explorer to discover. By taking the Campus Sustainability Tour, you can familiarize yourself with all of the ways that the university is making itself more sustainable across a variety of areas.

CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT FACILITY (PHYTOTRON)

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

The Controlled Environment Facility, also known as the Phytotron, consists of 183 environmentally controlled reach-in cabinets and walk-in rooms that can be programmed to produce various environmental conditions, such as qualities and intensities of light, ranges of temperature and humidity. The cabinets and rooms are available on a rental basis to clients within the University of Saskatchewan organization.

The CEF is approximately 30,000 sq ft with approximately 8,300 sq ft being chamber space used for growing. The rest of the space is general workspace and labs. The chambers range in size from 7 sq ft to 178 square ft. There are 150 controlled chambers located in the main area and another 33 controlled chambers located throughout the Agriculture Building. The CEF recently concluded a \$12.5-million major upgrade with the addition of energy efficient lighting as well as updated chilling units.

CANADIAN LIGHT SOURCE (CLS)

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

See inside Canada's only synchrotron!

The Canadian Light Source (CLS) is one of the largest science projects in Canada's history. Their facility speeds up electrons to produce intensely bright synchrotron light that allows scientists to study materials at a molecular level. Over 1,000 researchers from around the world use the CLS every year. On your tour, you'll learn about CLS' history, how their machine works, and examples of how researchers have used the facility to conduct ground-breaking research in the fields of health, agriculture, the environment, and advanced materials.

SASKATCHEWAN CYCLOTRON FACILITIES

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

The Saskatchewan Cyclotron Facility is owned by the University of Saskatchewan (USask) and operated by the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation.

The Facility is home to a 24 MeV cyclotron, used by Fedoruk Centre staff to support research and produce a wide range of isotopes. The Facility also manufactures the nuclear imaging agent fluorodeoxyglucose (FDG), which is needed for PET-CT scans to diagnose cancer in patients at the Royal University Hospital (RUH) and other regional hospitals.

During your tour, the Fedoruk Centre qualified technical staff will guide you through the facility, including the adjacent research labs and pre-clinical imaging suite. You'll learn about the Facility's history, hear about research conducted by users, and have the opportunity to safely handle some of our specialized radiochemical and radioanalytical equipment.

VACCINE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO)

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Discover the Science Behind Global Health at VIDO. Join us for an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO), celebrating over 50 years of world-leading research. Learn about our vital role in protecting human and animal health through a short presentation, get a rare look at the nerve centre of our high containment operations—and see cutting-edge research in action in one of our labs.

CAMPUS WALKING TOUR: STRETCH YOUR LEGS AND EXPLORE USASK

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

New to the University of Saskatchewan? Join us for a fun and informative walking tour that's all about discovering the charm, history and hidden gems of the USask campus, one of the most beautiful in Canada!

As we stroll through campus, you'll see why USask is known for its stunning Collegiate Gothic architecture and iconic greystone buildings. You'll visit the College Building - the very first building on campus and now a National Historic Site, and the Thorvaldson Building, named after a chemist whose work changed the world of construction.

We'll also wander through the Bowl, a peaceful green space at the heart of campus that's perfect for a mid-day pause or a good conversation.

Along the way, you'll hear quirky stories and learn how USask grew from its agricultural roots into a globally respected research university.

One of the highlights of the tour is the Gordon Oakes Red Bear Student Centre, a striking circular building designed by Indigenous architect Douglas Cardinal. The Centre serves as a hub for Indigenous student support and intercultural engagement, and its design reflects Indigenous worldviews and connections to the land.

Whether you're here to admire the architecture, soak up the history or just enjoy a walk with fellow congress-goers, this tour is a great way to get to know the campus and feel right at home.

SELF GUIDED TOURS

The following tours are also available to you on an individual self guided basis and do not require your registration:

The [Museum of Natural Science](#) is designed to outline evolution throughout geological time, providing an integrated learning environment, with displays of living plants, animals and fossils.

The [Museum of Antiquities](#) hosts a collection of ancient Greek, Roman, Egyptian and Near Eastern sculpture in full-scale replica, as well as original pottery, glass and ancient coinage.

The Kenderdine, College, and Snelgrove [Art Galleries](#) showcase work by artists and curators from the university and from the wider local, national and international community.

In addition to preserving the core collection of John G. Diefenbaker's personal artifacts, the [Diefenbaker Canada Centre](#) hosts exhibits and programs that explore citizenship, leadership and Canada's role in the international community.

The [University of Saskatchewan Computer Museum](#) is dedicated to the preservation, interpretation and celebration of yesterday's computing artifacts.

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