

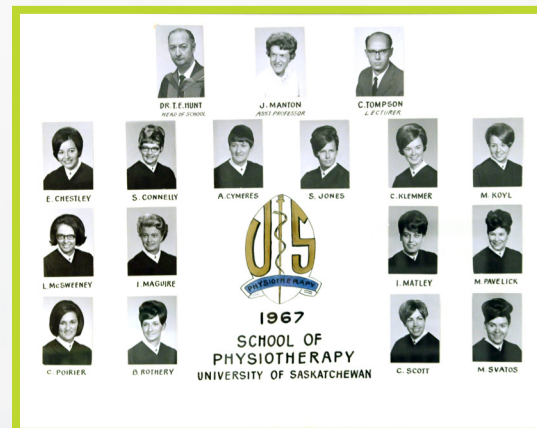
CELEBRATE 50 YEARS WITH US!



SCHOOL OF
Physical Therapy

50 YEARS

THE FIRST CLASS OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN CROSSED THE STAGE TO RECEIVE THEIR DEGREES IN 1967. DURING ITS HALF-CENTURY HISTORY, THE PROGRAM HAS UNDERGONE PROGRESSIONS IN CURRICULUM AND EVOLVED FROM A DIPLOMA PROGRAM TO ITS CURRENT MODEL AS A MASTER'S PROGRAM.



In the fall term of 1965, a diploma program in physical therapy was established at the University of Saskatchewan known as the "Course in Physical Therapy". Because of a severe shortage of physical therapists in the province, the program was designed to be a short course with the expectation that it would quickly expand into a degree program.

In the Fall of 1973, the diploma program was extended to 3 years, and an optional fourth year baccalaureate degree in physical therapy was established (B.P.T.). The next major change in the physical therapy program occurred in 1976 with the establishment of a School of Physical Therapy, within the College of Medicine.

In 1981, a four year baccalaureate degree in science in physical therapy, B.Sc.(P.T.) was established as the entry to practice professional degree. The diploma and B.P.T. programs were discontinued over this period.

In 2007 the Master of Physical Therapy program was established and the number of students admitted to the program increased from 30 to 40 per year. Since establishment the program has held full accreditation. A strong partnership with the community has led to excellent recruitment and retention of our high quality graduates; approximately 80% of Physical Therapists in the province received their education at the University of Saskatchewan.

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1965

The Diploma Course in Physiotherapy began with the PT courses located at buildings near the airport.

1973

Optional 4-year B.P.T. established.

1976

Establishment of School of Physical Therapy within the College of Medicine.



1981

4 year B.Sc.(P.T.) established (3 streams running now - Diploma, B.P.T., B.Sc.(P.T.))

1984

Direct entry from high school discontinued and the Pre-Physical Therapy Program of one university year introduced.

Two-year Pre-Professional Program introduced in 1997.



1987

Enrolment increased to 30 students per year from 20.

2007

Admission to the undergraduate program ceases in 2006 and Master of Physical Therapy (M.P.T.) program begins.

2009

First M.P.T. students graduate (October).



2015

Celebration of 50 years of high quality graduates, nationally respected faculty and accredited programs.