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Established in 1984, the Centre for the Study of Co-operatives is an interdisciplinary teaching and research institute located on the University of Saskatchewan campus in Saskatoon. It is supported by major co-operatives, the university, and the provincial government.

Faculty teach university-level classes to both undergraduate and graduate students. Some classes focus exclusively on co-ops, while others have co-op content as part of a larger context. Research at the Centre is both theoretical and applied, making it useful to both academics and practitioners. Their research, teaching, and outreach activities take Centre faculty and staff to urban, rural, and remote communities locally, nationally, and internationally. The Centre also publishes a wide range of materials with co-op content and has the largest English-language library of co-op-related materials in Canada.

Did You Know?

- The Centre is the largest institute of its kind in Canada.
- They are recognized internationally as a leader in innovative, interdisciplinary research related to co-operatives.
- With the Diefenbaker Canada Centre, they recently launched an exhibition of research results titled Building Community: Creating Social and Economic Well-Being.
- They develop and teach university classes that contribute to an understanding of co-operatives and their role in the economic and social development of our community.
- They have research grants that support student scholarships and summer employment.
- Students report that their experience at the Centre is second to none and in many cases has launched their careers.
- They do outreach locally, nationally, and internationally and are currently working on a research project involving 25 academics in 10 disciplines from 13 universities in Canada, the US, and the UK, plus more than 50 community-based partners.
- They offer research support to anyone interested in co-operatives.

For more information about the Centre for the Study of Co-operatives please go to www.usaskstudies.coop.

Fast Facts

- *Established 1984*
- *Offices in Diefenbaker Canada Centre, U of S campus*
- *Activities include research, teaching, outreach, publishing*
- *Large resource centre of co-op-related materials*
- *Supported by co-op sector, U of S, and Saskatchewan government*
- *Ten faculty and staff*
- *Ten Centre Scholars*
- *Advisory board from co-op sector, university, and government*

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